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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 16969/2025**

SMT SEEMA AND ORS

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. R.R. Bag, Mr. Rajbeer, Mr. Mahender Singh and Mr. N.R. Joshi, Advocates.

versus

DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND ORS

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Arjun Mahajan, SC with Mr. Apoorv Upmanyu and Mr. Harsh Vashist, Advocates for R-1/DDA.

Mr. Shiven Varma, Panel Counsel with Mr. Abhinav Singh, Mr. Rishabh Mittal and Ms. Bharti Yadav, Advocates for R-2 to 5.

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JYOTI SINGH

ORDER

10.11.2025

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1. This writ petition is filed on behalf of the Petitioners under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following reliefs:-

“a) Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction declaring the demolition action on 15.06.2022 of the petitioners' houses as illegal, arbitrary, and unconstitutional;

b) Direct the respondents to pay adequate compensation to the petitioners for the loss caused due to illegal demolition of their residential house;

c) Direct the respondents to rehabilitate the petitioners or provide alternative housing/accommodation as per law;

d) Direct the respondents to open the gate of the street entry of the petitioners to entre in the house property of the petitioners.”

2. On oral request of learned counsel for the Petitioners, Respondent No. 6/SHO, Police Station Mehrauli, Delhi is deleted from the array of parties.

3. By this writ petition, Petitioners seek a declaration that the demolition action taken by DDA on 15.06.2022 with respect to the houses of the Petitioners in Ward No. 1 Mehrauli is illegal. Direction is sought to the



Respondents to pay adequate compensation as also to rehabilitate the Petitioners by providing alternate housing/accommodation.

4. Learned counsel for the Petitioners, at the outset, submits that a representation was made to the DDA as also other Respondents regarding the demolition action as also seeking compensation and alternate accommodation on 22.04.2025, however, till date the representation has not been decided, compelling the Petitioners to approach this Court.

5. Issue notice.

6. Counsels as above accept notice on behalf of the respective Respondents.

7. Learned Standing Counsel for Respondent No. 1/DDA, on instructions, submits that the representation of the Petitioners will be decided within a maximum period of 8 weeks from today.

8. Accordingly, without going into the merits of this petition, writ petition is disposed of directing Respondent No. 1 to decide the representation dated 22.04.2025 within a period of 6 weeks from today. The decision will be communicated to the Petitioners within one week from the date of decision and needless to state that if the Petitioners are aggrieved by the decision of Respondent No. 1, they will be at liberty to assail the same before the appropriate forum, if so advised and in accordance with law.

JYOTI SINGH, J

NOVEMBER 10, 2025

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