Serial No. 116

HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU

Case: WP(C) No. 3444/2026

Mohan Lal Gupta and Ors. …..Appellant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Vikas Mangotra, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Nitin Dubey, Advocate

vs

UT of J&K and Ors. ….. Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Nisha Kangotra, Assisting counsel to
Ms. Monika Kohli, Sr.AAG for R-1, 3 and 4.
Mr. Shubham Singh, Advocate vice
Ms. Meenakshi Salathia, Dy.AG for R-2.

Coram: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SINDHU SHARMA, JUDGE

ORDER
30.10.2026

1. The petitioners, who are the lawful shopkeepers/allottees/licensees of the commercial shops situated at General Bus Stand-cum-Multi Level Car Parking-cum-Commerical Complex, Jammu, have approached this Court by way of this petition, seeking direction to the respondents to discharge their legal obligation for enforcement of right to livelihood by concluding the decision making process on the representation made by the petitioners to the respondents including the representation dated. 18.08.2026.

2. The grievances of the petitioners are that they have approached the respondents time and again for enforcement of the said right but the respondents are not discharging their legal obligation which constrained them to file a present representation.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submit that they made a representation dated 18.08.2026 on behalf of all the applicants/allottees of the shop at General Bus Stand regarding

reduced footfall, poor maintenance of electricity, water supply and other basic amenities but till date the respondents have not decided the same.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submit that he would be satisfied if the present petition is disposed of at the threshold by directing the Vice-Chairman, JDA to decide their representation within some time frame.

5. Notice, waived by Ms. Nisha Kangotra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent Nos. 1, 3 and four and Mr. Shubam Singh, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent No. 2, respectively. At the outset, they submit that respondents would consider the representation filed by the petitioners, in accordance with law.

6. In view of the aforesaid, the present petition is disposed of at this stage with a direction to the respondents to consider and decide the representation dated 18.08.2026, filed by the petitioners, in accordance with law, within a period of six weeks from the date copy of the order duly served upon the respondents. The respondents shall also afford the petitioners, an opportunity of being heard before taking a decision on the representation of the petitioners.

7. This petition is, ***Disposed of,*** accordingly**.**

(SINDHU SHARMA)
JUDGE

Jammu
30.10.2026
Suraj K. Singh