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

+ LPA 187/2026

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

.....Appellant

Through: Mr. Animesh Rastogi, SPC with Mr.
Rajat Dubey, Adv.

Versus

SAROJ RAJENDRA KUMAR MANGLA

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Lalit Kumar, Adv.

CORAM:

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJAS KARIA

ORDER

% **07.04.2026**

CM No. 20784/2026 (for exemption)

1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The Application stands disposed of.

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3. Heard learned Counsel for the Appellants.
4. This Appeal has been filed with a reported delay of 45 days in filing and 10 days in re-filing the Appeal. By the order, which has been sought to be impugned in this Appeal, the learned Single Judge has directed that subject to payment of license fees, the Respondent shall be allowed to operate the GMU / Catering Stall No.66 (General Women) at Platform No.4/5 of Rewari Railway Station of Jaipur Division, near Pillar Nos.12 and 13, towards Delhi side for a period of seven months from 31.01.2026. The Impugned Order was passed on 23.12.2025 and since then, more than three months period has already lapsed. The extended period in which the Respondent is to operate the GMU / Catering Stall No.66 (General Women) is to end on 31.08.2026. Accordingly, when the aforesaid fact was pointed



out to the learned Counsel for the Appellants, he, on instructions, states that the Appellants may be permitted to withdraw the present Appeal, however, the questions of law may be kept open to be decided in some other matter.

5. The learned Counsel for the Appellants has expressed his apprehension that the Order dated 23.12.2025 passed by the learned Single Judge, which is under challenge herein, may be cited as precedent in other matters and therefore, some observations be made that the said judgment is not a binding precedent.

6. Accordingly, the Appeal is dismissed as withdrawn, keeping it open that the questions of law, which arise in the Appeal may be decided in some other appropriate matter.

7. We further observe that the Impugned Judgment and Order dated 23.12.2025 passed by the learned Single Judge in Writ Petition being W.P.(C) No.19531/2025 shall be treated to be a judgment in the facts of the said case.

8. The Appeal as well as the pending Applications stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

DEVENDRA KUMAR UPADHYAYA, CJ

TEJAS KARIA, J

APRIL 7, 2026

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