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

+ **W.P.(C) 9979/2025**

VIKAS CHAUDHARY

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Ramneek Mishra, and Mr. Vikas
Chowdhary, Advs.

versus

GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR.

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Abhinav Singh and Mr. Rishab
Mittal, Advs for GNCTD.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PURUSHAINDR KUMAR KAURAV

ORDER

% **16.01.2026**

1. The petitioner seems to have purchased stamp paper of Rs, 2,10,000/- for a registration of a sale deed. The registration however, was refused *vide* a refusal order dated 09.10.2023. The petitioner's contention is that the said order has never been served upon the petitioner.
2. The petitioner, in order to get the refund of the stamp paper filed an application on 11.03.2024, before the Collector of Stamp. It is this application which has been rejected by the impugned order dated 24.06.2025.
3. A perusal of the order would indicate that the authority concerned has looked into the statutory provisions and has opined that the application for refund was not submitted within two months from the date of instrument



and, therefore, the petitioner's is not entitled for the relief.

4. The authority, however, has failed to appreciate that in the instant case no instrument was registered. Additionally, the order does not disclose about the submissions made by the petitioner that the order of refusal was never served upon him. The decision on the petitioner's application should have been taken with due consideration to the facts and circumstances. The impugned order seems to have been passed mechanically. It does not deal with the petitioner's grievance in right perspective.

5. Under these circumstances, the Court deems it appropriate to set aside the same and remits the matter back to the Collector of Stamp for fresh adjudication.

6. Let the petitioner's application be revived to original number and petitioner be also afforded opportunity of hearing. If the petitioner so desires, he may submit a written response, and thereafter, the Collector of Stamp will have to pass speaking order within a period of four months from the date of receipt of the copy of this order passed today.

7. The petition stands disposed of.

PURUSHAINdra KUMAR KAURAV, J

JANUARY 16, 2026

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