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

\# **CNR No. DLHC010633342025**

\+ CONT.CAS(C) 1321/2025

DEVI ALIAS DEVI BAI

.....Petitioner

Through: Ms. Sangeeta Chandra, Adv along with Ms. Bhawna, Adv.

versus

VICE CHAIRMAN, DDA AND ORS

.....Respondent

Through: Ms Manika Tripathy SC for DDA, Mr Aman kumar Advocate.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NEENA BANSAL KRISHNA

O R D E R

% 01.10.2026

1. A Civil Contempt Petition under Section 2(b) and 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act has been filed on behalf of the Petitioner with the prayer for initiating Contempt proceedings against the Respondent for violation of the directions given vide Judgment dated 11.02.2025 in W.P (C)9051/2022 titled '*Smt. Devi alias Devi Bai vs. DDA*'.

2. In the said Writ Petition the directions given were as under :

> *"15. The respondent shall, accordingly, in view of the fact that they have not received any objection from general public would process the request of the petitioner and would take further steps in accordance, with law, including issuance of lease deed, conversion to free hold, followed by a Conveyance Deed."*

3. It is submitted by both the parties that pursuant to the said Order, the Lease Deed has accordingly been issued on 05.12.2025. However, for

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effecting the conversion to freehold, the Respondent has raised a demand of about Rs.28 lacs as composition fees for executing the Conveyance Deed.

4. From the submissions made by the learned counsel for the Petitioner it is evident that what she is challenging is that the composition fee as claimed by the DDA is not payable as it was never agitated ever at any stage. However, the learned counsel for the DDA submits that the composition fees is being charged, because the construction had been carried out period the period of two years.

5. Learned counsel for the Petitioner contends that the Composition Fee is being imposed in terms of the Lease Deed, which has been executed on 05.12.2025.

6. It is evident that there is a new cause of action which has arisen in respect of the demands been made by the DDA for effecting the conversion to freehold.

7. The Petition is disposed of with liberty to the Petitioner to approach the appropriate Forum in accordance with law without prejudice to her rights and contentions to challenge the Composition Fee and is at liberty to deposit the same with DDA and any other Orders that may follow of a Court of competent jurisdiction in this regard.

NEENA BANSAL KRISHNA, J

OCTOBER 1, 2026/va

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