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

\# **CNR No. DLHC010734862025**

\+ W.P.(C) 14973/2025

DWARKADISH RESIDENTS WELFARE ASSOCIATION

.....Petitioner

Through: Sr. Adv. Ankit Jain, Adv. Nimish Chib and Adv. Jatin Rana

versus

DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Devvrat Yadav and Mr Kartik Sharma and Mr. Manhan Chawla Ms Pearl Sharma, Advs.
Mr. Arun Birbal, Ms. Nidhi Sharma Advs. for R1
Adv Tushar Sannu & Mr. Parvin Bansal for DJB

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH

O R D E R

% 28.10.2026

1. This is a writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following prayers:-

> *"a) Issue a writ of mandamus or a writ of any other nature or direction/order directing the Respondent No.1 to transfer the control and supervision of water supply to the Respondent No.2 for the supply of water to Dwarkadhish Enclave, Pocket-B, Sector-26, Rohini, Delhi and,*
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> *b) Issue a writ of mandamus or a writ of any other nature or direction/order directing the Respondents to ensure that there is proper supply of water to Dwarkadhish Enclave,*

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Pocket-B, Sector-26, Rohini, Delhi and,

c) Issue a writ of mandamus or a writ of any other nature or direction/order directing the respondents to revise the pending water bill of the residents as per the ordinary billing rate being offered to other societies being governed by the Respondent No.2; and

d) Issue a Writ of Mandamus or a Writ of any other nature thereby directing the respondent no.1 and no.2 to get the Underground Water Reservoir built in Pokcet B, Sector-26, Rohini, Delhi operational for the residents;....”

2. The brief facts of the case are that the petitioner is a Residents Welfare Association of Dwarkadhish Enclave, Pockets- A & B, Sector-26, Rohini, Delhi. The petitioner is aggrieved due to irregular water supply in the said society for the past few years.
3. The learned counsel for the respondent No. 1 states that the respondent No. 1 had already constructed the underground water reservoir in Pocket-B, Sector 26, Rohini, and a separate water pipeline had been laid down from that underground water reservoir to the Delhi Jal Board (“DJB”) point for connection. The said underground water reservoir was constructed by the respondent No. 1 in an area of more than 6 acres, having a capacity of 11 lakh litres.
4. However, despite the construction of the said underground water reservoir, the same has not been made operational.
5. As per the counter-affidavit of the respondent No. 1, the same was to be made operational from November, 2025.
6. My attention has been drawn to a letter dated 28.07.2025 annexed with

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the counter-affidavit of the respondent No. 1, which reads as under:-

DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
ROHINI PROJECT DIVISION -03
4th FLOOR, MADHUBHAN CHOWK, ROHINI, DELHI-85

Assistant Engineer-III
Dy. No. 235
Date 30/07/25
RPD-3/D.D.A.

No. F4(13) AE-IV/ RPD3/DDA/ 2024-25/391 Dated :- 28/07/2025

To

The Executive Engineer(Civil)/ (M-7)

Delhi Jal Board, Sec-15 Rohini

New Delhi-89

Annexure – A

(9)

Subject: Handing Over and Taking over the Water Supply and Sewerage of Dwarikadish Enclave, Pocket A , B and 1840 ORT in sec 26 Rohini

Please refer to the above cited subject. It is intimated that the area of pocket-A ,B and 1840 ORT of Sec 26 Rohini is under the jurisdiction of this office. The water Supply lines and Sewer lines have been laid as per the approved Schemes of DJB. You are requested to direct the concerned officers under your good office for Handing over/ Taking over the said schemes. For any kind of assistance or fixing Joint Inspection Sh. Mahesh Kumar , AE(Mob No. 8130461438) may please be contacted.

Executive Engineer
RPD-3,DDA

Copy To :-

1. CE(R),DDA for kind information please.
2. SE/RCC-3,DDA for kind information please.
3. AE-III,IV , RPD-3 for pursuance.
4. RWA, Pocket-A & B, Sec 26 Rohini.
5. Guard File

28-7-2025

Executive Engineer
RPD-3,DDA

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7. A perusal of the aforesaid letter shows that the respondent No.1/DDA has written to the respondent No. 2/DJB requesting to the concerned officers of the respondent No. 2 to take over the water supply and sewer lines of Dwarkadhish Enclave, Pockets- A & B and 1840 ORT in Sector-26, Rohini, Delhi.

8. In view of the aforesaid facts, it is clear that: (a) there is an underground water reservoir; (b) the same was to be made operational by November, 2025; (c) the same is to be handed over by the respondent No. 1/DDA to respondent No. 2/DJB, and thereafter the respondent No. 2/DJB is to operate the same in accordance with its extant rules.

9. For the said reasons, it is directed that the respondent No. 1 shall complete the necessary formalities for handing over water supply lines and sewer lines, including the underground water reservoir, to the respondent No. 2 within 4 weeks from today.

10. Within 4 weeks thereafter, the respondent No. 2/DJB shall also ensure that the said underground water reservoir is operational and caters not only to the residents of Dwarkadhish Enclave, Pockets- A & B, Sector-26, Rohini, Delhi, but also, if it so deems necessary, to residents of the neighbouring areas.

11. Water being an essential commodity, strict timelines have been prescribed. It cannot be countenanced that, in the 21st century, citizens are left to depend on an irregular and uncertain water supply.

12. In case the aforesaid timelines are not met, the petitioner shall be at liberty to revive the present petition and/or file a contempt petition.

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13. The petition, along with pending applications, if any, is disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

JASMEET SINGH, J

OCTOBER 28, 2026 / (MS)

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