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

+ **W.P.(C) 8348/2017**

ANANT KUMAR ASTHANA

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr.Rohan J Alva with Mr.Anant
Sanghi, Ms.Geetika Kapur,
Ms.Divyanshi Goel, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ANR.

.....Respondent

Through: Ms.Shiva Lakshmi, SPC for UOI.
Mr.Sumit K Batra with Ms.Priyanka
Jindal, Advs for GNCTD.
Mr.Hemant Mehta, LCPO, Dept. Of
WCD, GNCTD.

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HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJAS KARIA

ORDER

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08.04.2026

1. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.
2. Though by instituting the proceedings in this public interest litigation petition the challenge has been made to the validity of the proviso appended to Section 110 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) of Children Act, 2015, however, having regard to the fact that the process of making the rules by the State Government is going on, with the consent of the petitioner, we disposed of the instant petition with the following directions:-

A. The draft rules which are said to have been submitted by the State Government before the Juvenile Justice Committee of this Court shall be deliberated upon by the said Committee and on such deliberations, appropriate recommendations shall be made by the Juvenile Justice



Committee of this Court to the State Government for finalisation of the rules. This exercise of deliberation and consultation by the Juvenile Justice Committee shall be completed within a period of one month.

B. We also permit the learned counsel for the petitioner to make his suggestions before the Chairperson, Juvenile Justice Committee of this Court within ten days by way of making a written representation.

C. Once the Juvenile Justice Committee of this Court submits its recommendations on the draft rule as proposed by the State Government, the same shall also be considered by the State Government and the rules shall be finalised within two months from the date recommendations are received by the State Government from the Juvenile Justice Committee. On finalisation of the rules they shall appropriately be notified.

D. The entire process, in any case, as directed above, shall be completed by all concerned within four months.

E. It is needless to say that if on finalisation of the rules by the State Government to be framed under Section 110 of the Act, 2015, the petitioner is aggrieved in any manner, he will be at liberty to take appropriate recourse to any legal remedy, which may be available to him under law.

3. The writ petition accordingly, stands disposed of

DEVENDRA KUMAR UPADHYAYA, CJ

TEJAS KARIA, J

APRIL 8, 2026

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