

**BEFORE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI**

Original Application No. 571/2025

Ashish Jain

Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India Ministry of Environment
Forest & Climate Change & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 18.11.2025

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRAKASH SHRIVASTAVA, CHAIRPERSON
HON'BLE DR. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER**

Applicant: Mr. Ashish Jain, Applicant in Person

ORDER

1. In this Original Application (OA), the applicant has prayed for following multiple reliefs:-

“Relief Sought

- i. Direct Respondent No. 1 (MoEF&CC) in coordination with Respondent Nos. 2 (MOHUA), 6 (DDA), 7 (GNCTD), 9 (CPCB) and 10 (DPCC) to undertake a comprehensive “Population-Environment and Building Density Impact Assessment” for Delhi-NCR and submit a time-bound Action Plan before this Hon'ble Tribunal.*
- ii. Direct Respondent Nos. 2 (MOHUA), 5 (DUAC) and 6 (DDA) to revise the Unified Building By-laws and Master Plan of Delhi-2041 to base permissible height, FAR, and dwelling units on environmental carrying capacity, plot size, road width, and infrastructure capacity.*
- iii. Direct Respondent No. 8 (MCD) to prescribe a minimum structural age before demolition is permitted and to impose penalties for premature demolitions causing resource wastage under the Polluter Pays principle.*
- iv. Direct Respondent Nos. 9 (CPCB) and 10 (DPCC) to conduct cumulative Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) of demolition-reconstruction activities, prepare annual dust and debris inventories, and regulate redevelopment in overburdened localities.*

- v. *Constitute a Multi-Disciplinary Expert Committee comprising MoEF&CC, MOHUA, NITI Aayog, NCRPB, DUAC, DDA, CPCB, and independent experts to recommend population-density thresholds and formulate Environmental Carrying-Capacity Guidelines for integration in Master Plan 2041.*
- vi. *Direct Respondent Nos. 1, 2, and 7 to frame a Demographic and Urban Sustainability Policy incorporating population stabilization, regulated migration, and decentralized development.*
- vii. *Restrain the Respondents from granting or notifying any further relaxations in building height, FAR, or redevelopment norms pending completion of carrying-capacity studies.*
- viii. *Direct Respondent No. 7 (GNCTD) to formulate a State-level Population Regulation and Resource Utilization Framework linking building permissions to sustainable population parameters.*
- ix. *Pass any other or further orders as this Hon'ble Tribunal may deem fit and proper to protect the right to clean air, water, and environment under Article 21 of the Constitution of India."*

2. Most of the above relief relate to the policy measures administrative decision and legislative action by the concerned competent Authorities of the Government and the Government itself. The Applicant seeks permission to approach the competent Authority for redressal of such a grievance. He has also sought a direction for expeditious consideration.

3. In such circumstances, we dispose of the OA by permitting the Applicant to approach the competent Authority by filing a comprehensive representation. If such a representation is filed by the Applicant the same will be duly considered in accordance with law by the competent Authority expeditiously.

4. The OA is accordingly disposed of.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

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