

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMISSION

(Govt. of NCT of Delhi)

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Order under Para 2(B) of the PGC Resolution No F.4/14/94-AR dated 25.9.1997

Date of hearing: 19th October, 2026

Complainant : Mohd. Tufail Khan

Respondent : The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation of Delhi
Through :-

Shri Faiz Ahmed, Assistant Engineer

Grievance No. : PGC/2026/A-II/MCD/457

1. Brief Facts of the Case

The complainant Mohd Tufail Khan has filed a complainant in the Commission against encroachment on Government land and illegal construction near protected monuments at Nizamuddin, New Delhi. He stated that certain unauthorized persons have encroached upon government land and other structures, on open land situated at Main Mathura Road, adjacent to Industrial Training Institute (ITI), near Arab Ki Sarai, Nizamuddin, Delhi. The said site is located within approximately 50 meters of centrally protected monuments including Arab Sarai, Isa Khan's Tomb, and Sabz Burj, which are part of the Humayun's Tomb Complex, a notified heritage site. He further stated that as per the National Monuments Authority Heritage Byelaws, 2019, no construction is permitted within 100 meters of centrally protected monuments. Therefore, the ongoing construction is in blatant violation of the applicable laws, including the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958. He also stated that despite the seriousness of the matter, no effective action has been taken by the concerned authorities. The continued inaction raises serious concerns regarding negligence and possible collusion with land encroachers. The complainant has requested the Commission to take cognizance of the matter and initiate proceedings, direct the concerned authorities to

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Immediately stop the ongoing illegal construction, order removal of all unauthorized encroachments from the said government land, fix responsibility on erring officials for dereliction of duty and ensure strict compliance with heritage protection laws in the area.

2. Facts emerged during the hearing

2.1 The complainant is present.

2.2 Shri Faiz Ahmed, Assistant Engineer from MCD is present.

3. Directions of PGC

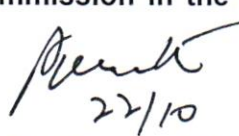
3.1. The Commission again directs the Delhi Development Authority to find out who owns the land in question because the officials present from MCD and Revenue Department informed the PGC in the hearing held on 3.9.2026 that this illegal construction is taking place on the DDA land.

3.2 The Commission again directs the Archaeological Survey of India to find out who owns this land, which has great historical significance as officials present from MCD and Revenue, both had given in writing that the land does not belong to them where the unauthorized construction is going on.

3.3 The Commission directs the DDA and ASI to inquire into the claims made by MCD and Revenue Department and inform as to who owns this land.

3.4. Action Taken Reports by all concerned shall be filed in the Commission in the next hearing, fixed for 26th November, 2026 at 2.30 p.m.

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1. The Vice Chairman, Delhi Development Authority, 1st Floor, B-Block, Vikas Sadan, INA, New Delhi-110023
2. The Director General, Archaeological Survey of India, Office of Director General, Dharohar Bhawan, 24, Tilak Marg, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Commissioner (MCD), Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Civic Centre, Minto Road, New Delhi-110002.

4. The District Magistrate (South-East), Old Gargi College Building, behind LSR College, Lajpat Nagar-IV, New Delhi.
5. The Sub Divisional Magistrate (Defence Colony), Office of the District Magistrate (South East), Old Gargi College Building, behind of LSR College, Lajpat Nagar-IV, New Delhi.
6. The Deputy Commissioner (MCD), Central Zone, Jal Vihar, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi-24
7. The Supdt. Engineer (MCD), Central Zone, Jal Vihar, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi-110024.
8. The Executive Engineer, Office of the Executive Engineer (Building-1), Central Zone, Jal Vihar, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi
9. The Deputy Secretary (PGC), Public Grievances Commission, M-Block, Vikas Bhawan, Delhi-110110.
10. The Technical Officer, PGC with the direction to upload the same on the web-site of PGC.
11. The complainant Mohd. Tufail Khan, r/o K-484, Madina Masjid, near DPS Mathura Road, Hz. Nizamuddin, New Delhi-110013.