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SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL)..... Diary No(s).56884/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-08-2026 in CONT.CAS(C) No.934/2023 06-05-2024 in CONT.CAS(C) No.934/2023 28-08-2023 in CONT.CAS(C) No.934/2023 passed by the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi]

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS AND WILDLIFE

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

ANJALI COLLEGE OF PHARMACY AND SCIENCE & ORS.

Respondent(s)

IA No. 283308/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING, IA No.283314/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 283312/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE PETITION (SLP/TP/WP/..)

Date : 17-09-2026 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE V. MOHANA

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Permission to file special leave petitions is granted.
2. Delay condoned.
3. Issue notice, returnable on 02.11.2026.
4. Meanwhile, the petitioner - Department of Forest and Wildlife

is permitted to carry out the eco-restoration of the Delhi Ridge, which includes the removal of invasive species and simultaneous high-density plantation of trees of indigenous species. Such activity shall be carried out strictly as per the working plan prepared by the Forest Research Institute, Dehradun (FRI), under the supervision of the Ridge Management Board.

5. While undertaking the aforesaid exercise of eco-restoration, the petitioner shall submit an interim compliance report to the FRI. The Director, FRI, is requested to depute a team of experts to oversee the exercise undertaken by the petitioner - Department of Forest and Wildlife and submit a report to this Court.

6. Meanwhile, contempt proceedings before the High Court shall remain stayed.

(ARJUN BISHT)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI DILEEP KUMAR)
DY. REGISTRAR