

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL APPEAL NO.12165 OF 2026
(Arising out of S.L.P.(Civil) No.29054 of 2026)

DELHI TRANSCO LIMITED

... APPELLANT(S)

VS.

SHYAM SUNDER B AMBWANI & ORS.

... RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. Heard Ms. Lavanya Kaushik, learned counsel appearing for the appellant and Mr. Siddharth Dave, learned senior counsel appearing for the contesting respondent Nos. 1 to 9.
3. The present appeal calls in question the correctness of the order dated 30th July, 2026 passed by the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi in CM.APPL No. 33406/2026 filed in LA.APP No.16 of 2026. By the said order, the High Court, after noticing that the appellant herein has deposited 100% of the decretal amount, directed that 50% of the amount with accrued interest as deposited, be released to the respondents on furnishing an indemnity bond with an undertaking by way of an affidavit stating that in the event the appellant herein

(appellant before the High Court) succeeds, the amount would be returned forthwith to them with reasonable interest. The High Court with regard to the remaining 50% directed that the remaining 50% along with the accrued interest shall be released on furnishing adequate security to the satisfaction of the Executing Court.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, we are of the opinion that 50% of the deposited amount with accrued interest be released to the respondents on furnishing adequate security to the satisfaction of the Executing Court. The remaining 50% ought not to be released, at this stage, and shall be kept in an interest bearing fixed deposit in a Nationalized bank on auto-renewal basis.

5. Hence, we vacate that portion of the impugned order which directs release of 50% of the decretal amount with accrued interest based on an indemnity bond and an undertaking by way of an affidavit. The respondents shall be entitled to the release of 50% of the deposited amount with accrued interest and they shall furnish adequate security to the satisfaction of the Executing Court.

6. We also direct that considering that the acquisition is of 1963 and the land-owners have been waiting for more than six decades, the High Court should make an endeavour to hear the land acquisition appeals at the earliest, The High Court may endeavour to hear the appeals within the next six months.

7. In view of the above, the appeal is partly allowed
in the above terms.

.....J.
(K.V.VISWANATHAN)

.....J.
(ARUN PALLI)

NEW DELHI;
August 24, 2026

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 29054/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 30-07-2026 in CMAPPL No. 33406/2026 passed by the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi]

DELHI TRANSCO LIMITED

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

SHYAM SUNDER B AMBWANI & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 247498/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

Date : 24-08-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

For Petitioner(s) :

Ms. Lavanya Kaushik, Adv.
Mrs. Avnish Ahlawat, Adv.
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For Respondent(s) :

Mr. Siddharth Dave, Sr. Adv.
Ms. Charu Ambwani, AOR

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

1. Leave granted.
2. The appeal is partly allowed in terms of the signed order.
3. Pending application shall also stand disposed of.

(ANITA MALHOTRA)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(MANOJ KUMAR)
COURT MASTER

(Signed order is placed on the file.)