

The J.P. City Forest, is a protected forest, therefore regularization / permission of the use of forest land for construction of Guru Ravi Das Temple as per order Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, as per provision of the forest (conservation) Act 1980 is required for allotment of 400 sqm land for the construction of temple and restoration of Samadhi is done by DDA as per order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as dated 21/10/2019 and 25/11/2019 (copy enclosed).



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CIVIL APPELLATE/ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

M.A. NO. 1384 OF 2019  
IN  
SLP (C) NO. 7500 OF 2019

GURU RAVIDAS JAINTI SAMAROH SAMITI (REGD.)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

Respondent(s)

with

W.P.(C) No. 1135/2019

M.A. Diary No(s). 32798/2019 in SLP (C) No. 7500/2019

M.A. Diary No(s). 32820/2019 in SLP (C) No. 7500/2019

W.P.(C) No. 1240/2019

W.P.(C) No. 1238/2019

O R D E R

An offer has been made by the Government of India to settle the disputes with respect to considering the demands of the devotees of Guru Ravidasji regarding the site commemorating Shri Guru Ravidas Ji and taking note of the intense religious faith of the devotees in the site.

The Government has come up with the offer to settle the 400 sq. meters of land. The offer is

reproduced as under :-

"i) An area permitted for their worship will be enclosed in a boundary fence, an area of 400 square meters,



and no encroachment outside these boundaries shall take place.

ii) There shall be a gate for entry to the shrine.

iii) The four old samadhis will be restored, but no structure will be constructed over the samadhis and the Sant Ravidas pond will be restored.

iv) The statues in the custody of the DDA will be restored.

v) A temporary structure in the nature of a Pota cabin or made of wood will house the statue of Shri Guru Ravidas ji, the dimensions of the temporary structure will be 20 feet by 20 feet.

vi) The devotees will be freely allowed to perform poojas at the site.

vii) The maintenance of the site, in pristine form, free of pollution and consistent with environmental safeguards will be the duty of the licensee.

viii) The possession of the 400 square metres mentioned in clause i) shall be handed over to a Committee of devotees of Shri Guru Ravidas ji, to be constituted by the Union of India, in consultation with the stakeholders within a period of four months."

The earlier offer was made for the land upto 200 sq. metres area. Today the offer has been made for the land upto 400 sq. metres area. That will be



enclosed in a boundary fence and no encroachment shall be made outside the boundary area.

The aforesaid offer is reasonable and accordingly, it is ordered that let the Committee of the devotees be constituted by the Union of India. The members of the earlier Samiti i.e. Gurm Ravidas Jainti Samaroh Samiti including other interested persons are also free to file representation for the inclusion in the Committee to be formed by the Union of India. However, it will be the discretion of the Union of India to constitute a Committee as it may consider appropriate.

It is made clear that the temple in area of 20 X 20 metres shall be permitted to be raised within the boundary of 400 sq. metres. Let temple be constructed by the Committee to be formed by the Union of India.

It was also pointed out by the learned Attorney General that certain individuals were parking their trucks etc. and using the area for commercial purposes. We restrain all such activities of parking the trucks etc. and using the area for commercial purposes. In case of any violation of the order, the same shall be dealt with *inter alia* in terms of the Contempt of Courts Act.

We put on record our appreciation to the efforts made by the learned Attorney General in resolving the



dispute.

Let the Committee be constituted within a period of six weeks from today. We direct the release of all those arrested during the agitation on their furnishing personal bonds and undertakings that they shall maintain good behaviour in future. Let peace prevail now and the cases registered by Police be closed. The offer of the Government of India shall form part of this order.

In the light of the aforesaid, we pass orders and direct accordingly. The matters are disposed of.

.....J.  
[ ARUN MISHRA ]

.....J.  
[ S. RAVINDRA BHAT ]

New Delhi;  
OCTOBER 21, 2019.



SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MA No. 2426/2019 in W.P. (C) No(s). 1135/2019

ASHOK TANWAR &amp; ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY &amp; ANR.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.167905/2019-MODIFICATION)

Date : 25-11-2019 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MISHRA  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANTFor Petitioner(s) Mr. Vikas Singh, Sr. Adv.  
Mr. Virag Gupta, Adv.  
Ms. Deepeika Kalia, Adv.  
Ms. Vanya Gupta, Adv.  
Mr. Sachin Mittal, AORFor Respondent(s) Mr. K. K. Venugopal, Attorney General  
Mr. Tushar Mehta, Solicitor General  
Ms. Garima Prashad, Adv.  
Mr. Mohit Kumar Bansal, Adv.UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

This application has been filed for modification of the order dated 21.10.2019. It is made clear that the temple in the area of 20 X 20 ft. shall be permitted to be raised. As agreed to, it will not be a temporary structure, but a permanent structure to be constructed. The word 'metres' at page 3 of the said Order has wrongly been mentioned which may be read as 'feet'.

Ordered accordingly.

Signature of The application is allowed to the above extent.

(JAYANT KUMAR ARORA)  
COURT MASTER(JAGDISH CHANDER)  
BRANCH OFFICER