Sh. Jai Krishan Mehta Vs. The HPTDCL & anr. CWP No. 9681 of 2023

12.11.2024 Present: Mr. Om Prakash Goel, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Shilpa Sood, Advocate, for respondent No.1.

Mr. Anup Rattan, Advocate General with Mr. Pranay Pratap Singh, Additional Advocate

General, for respondent No.2.

Mr. Rajiv Kumar, M.D, HPTDC in person.

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Learned Advocate General, on instructions from the Managing Director, HPTDC, informs the Court that as far as the dues of the Departments of the Government, which were outstanding towards HPTDC as on 31.08.2024 are concerned, an amount of Rs. 1,68,22,370/- has been recovered up to 07.11.2024. Similarly, out of the amount which was due to the Tourism Development Corporation from the private individuals or private entities as on 31.08.2024, an amount of Rs. 47,07,403/- has been received, as on 07.11.2024. Learned Advocate General further submits that as the amount is being received almost on daily basis, therefore, the matter be taken up for consideration after two weeks for this particular purpose, so that the total amount recovered can be intimated to the Court and further endeavours can be made to recover the outstanding amount. Learned Advocate General also



submits that as far as the application that has been filed by the Tourism Development Corporation, seeking the permission of the Court to make certain engagements on outsource basis on account of the exigencies of services is concerned, he shall discuss the matter with the Managing Director concerned and the case be taken up after few days, so that appropriate orders can be passed on the said application.

Affidavit in terms of order dated 05.11.2024, has not been filed by the Principal Secretary, Tourism. Learned Advocate General submits that the same shall be filed by the next date of hearing.

The case, as prayed for, is ordered to be listed on **19.11.2024.** On the said date, let an affidavit in terms of order dated 05.11.2024, be positively filed. The prayer of the Corporation to engage outsource workers, will be considered on the said date.

It is further ordered that henceforth the units of the Tourism Development Corporation shall not offer their services or properties whatsoever to any private individual or entity without at least receiving 80% of the tentative amount which the entity or individual shall owe to the Corporation, on account of the services, which are being demanded from the Corporation in advance. This order



shall be applicable in the cases of letting out the properties

for marriages and parties and not day to day dealing with

guests.

It is clarified that in case any of the concerned

Officer in charge of the concerned Unit, errs in this regard,

the Officer shall be personally liable to indemnify the

losses of the respondent-Corporation.

Similarly, the outstanding amount by the

Government Departments, due to the Tourism

Corporation, be made good by 30.11.2024, failing which,

the Heads of the Department, which still owe money to the

respondent-Corporation, shall be liable for contempt of the

Court orders.

On the next date of hearing, details of all the

units run by HPTDC, shall be furnished to the Court, be it

hotels or restaurants. The income earned by each of the

units in the last three years, shall be intimated to the

Court. As far as hotels are concerned, the details of the

hotel rooms, shall be furnished to the Court along-with the

occupancy thereof in each preceding calendar year from

01.01.2022 onwards upto 31.10.2024.

List on 19.11.2024.

(Ajay Mohan Goel) Judge

November 12, 2024 (Shivank Thakur)

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