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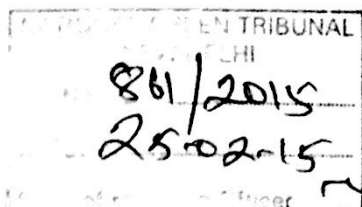


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REPORT OF LOCAL COMMISSIONER

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH: -

1. That the undersigned was appointed as a Local Commissioner in original Application No. 21/2014, pending before this Ld. Tribunal vide order dated 19.01.2015. As per the order dated 19.01.2015, the undersigned was directed to execute the commission at two pilot project areas, namely Lajpat Nagar Market and Karol Bagh Market, New Delhi.(hereinafter referred to as '**Market area**'))

2. That *vide* the said order dated 19.01.2015 the undersigned along with the other appointed Local commissioners were directed to visit the aforesaid pilot project areas and bring to the notice of this Ld. Tribunal the factual position and submit their reports before the this Ld. Tribunal showing compliance or otherwise of the said order dated 19.01.2015 with regard to car parking on the metalled roads, and traffic congestion in market area resulting in air

pollution. The undersigned alongwith the other appointed Local commissioners were further directed to bring notice of the Ld. Tribunal the distance of traveling involved and the time taken in the said market area.

3. That the Ld. Tribunal *vide* said order dated 19.01.2015 directed complete prohibition of parking on the main roads or any parking area on the metalled roads in the said market areas. The Ld. Tribunal further directed all the SHOs concerned, the Traffic Police and the concerned Corporation i.e SDMC to ensure that stagnation of vehicle and traffic congestion are avoided particularly by prohibiting parking on the main roads or any parking area on the metalled roads. The Ld. Tribunal further directed the concerned corporation to take strict action against the persons who violate it and which shall include payment of Rs. 1000/- per car on account of compensation for degradation of environment and its restoration.
4. That on 16.02.2015, the undersigned executed the commission at the one of the pilot project area, namely Lajpat Nagar Market area.
5. That on 16.02.2015, the undersigned reached Lajpat Nagar market at around 4.00 P.M by car and started the inspection from Veer Savarkar Marg at 0.0 Kms. At 4.08 pm and at and 1.3 km the undersigned reached Firoz

Gandhi Marg and took a U-turn towards Veer Savarkar Marg i.e towards the Lajpat Nagar Metro Station. The undersigned travelled the distance of 0.8 km by car from the Firoz Gandhi Marg towards Lajpat Nagar police station and took left to exit the market area at 4.12 pm. It took a total of 12 mins for the undersigned to travel a distance of 2.1 kms in the market area. The undersigned found free traffic with no congestions on the road. The undersigned took pictures at various erstwhile parking sites on the mettaled road. The same has been annexed herein as **Annexure A.**

6. That on inspection the undersigned observed that in the Lajpat Nagar market area vehicles were parked on the mettaled road within the yellow line demarcation almost everywhere in one row only. The cars were parked at the owners risk and no assistance from the parking agents and /or from the South Delhi Municipal Corporation for paid parking. Thereafter, the undersigned on inquiry came in knowledge that the Lajpat Nagar Market Association had made provision to assist the visitors on ground of social concern only in order to help people park vehicles on no payment basis. Further, on inquiry the undersigned was also told that the SDMC cancelled the licenses of the erstwhile parking agencies for that market.

7. The undersigned also observed the fact that there was no notice in the area by the Dy. Commissioner and/or Delhi Traffic Police informing people that *vide* order dated 19.01.2015 of the Ld. Tribunal in the aforesaid matter the parking sites have been declared as No parking Zone.
8. That the undersigned closed the commission proceedings at about 4:30 P.M.
9. That the undersigned is submitting the present report in pursuance of the directions of this Ld. Tribunal for such order/orders as this Ld. Tribunal may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the present case.



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