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**CWP-20032-2008 (O&M)**

*SUNIL SINGH V/S MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS AND OTHERS*

**CWP-13594-2009 (O&M)**

*QUTAB ENCLAVE RESIDENTS' WELFARE ASSOCIATION*

*V/S*

*STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS*

**CWP-3928-2007 (O&M)**

*BALWINDER KAUR CHOUDARY AND ANR. V/S STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS*

**CWP-807-2012 (O&M)**

*JAGDEEP MEHTA V/S STATE OF HARYANA AND ORS.*

***(Through Video Conference/Hybrid Mode)***

Present: Ms. Nivedita Sharma, Advocate, *(appeared through VC)*  
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Mr. Gurpreet Singh, Advocate,  
Ms. Pooja, Advocate, for the petitioner(s)  
in CWP-20032-2008 & CWP-13594-2009.

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Mr. Ramandeep Singh Sandhu, Advocate,  
for respondent Nos. 1, 2 and 7 in CWP-20032-2008,  
for respondent Nos. 2 to 4 in CWP-13594-2009 &  
CWP-807-2012 **AND**  
for respondent Nos. 6 and 7 in CWP-3928-2007.

Mr. Randeep Rai, Senior Advocate, assisted by  
Ms. Rubina Virmani and Ms. Radhika Mehta and  
Mr. Farhad Kohli, Advocates, for respondent No.3.

Mr. Amit Jhanji, Senior Advocate, assisted by  
Mr. Shashank Shekhar, Advocate,  
for respondent No.9-REDCO.

Mr. Abhilaskh Grover, Addl. Standing Counsel, U.T., Chd.,  
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for respondent Nos. 3 and 4 in CWP-3928-2007.

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for respondent No.3 in CWP-20032-2008.

Mr. Deepak Balyan, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

Mr. Deepak Sabherwal, Advocate,  
for respondent No.6-HSVP.

Mr. Manbir Singh Batth, Advocate  
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for respondent No.6 in CWP-807-2012.

Mr. Anand Chhibbar, Senior Advocate, *(appeared through VC)*  
assisted by Mr. Abhinav Sood, Advocate,  
Ms. Ateevraj Sandhu, Advocate, and  
Mr. Nitesh Jhahria, Advocate,  
for respondent No.7-RWA-DLF City.

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1. Pursuant to the order passed by this Court on the previous occasion i.e. 19.08.2026, an affidavit has been filed by respondent No.7-Central Ground Water Authority, Ministry of Water Resources, New Delhi.

2. The materials placed on record over a period of time would indicate that Gurugram has been facing a persistent water crisis due to the non-availability of potable water. The indiscriminate use of borewells has resulted in a continuous depletion of groundwater levels over several decades. Further, the existing natural water bodies have substantially diminished, while the channels that sustained these water bodies remain largely blocked.

3. It has also been observed in the recent past that Gurugram is facing severe waterlogging during the monsoon season, however, the rainwater so accumulated is not being effectively utilized for the purpose of replenishing the depleting groundwater levels. There is also an issue with regard to proper utilization of treated water with effective

utilization of sewage treatment plants. Unless appropriate and effective measures are pursued aggressively, the situation is likely to remain grim, particularly as continued urbanization and population growth appear inevitable, given Gurugram's proximity to the National Capital.

4. It appears that various affidavits have been filed on behalf of the respective parties in the matter from time to time.

5. The matter has been heard at some length today.

6. After hearing learned counsel for the parties, it has been agreed that all the learned counsel for the respective parties shall submit their written suggestions regarding the remedial measures required to be undertaken in the matter to the Bench Secretary of this Court on Monday, i.e. 28.09.2026. A copy of such suggestions shall also be handed over to the learned State counsel, Mr. Deepak Balyan, Additional Advocate General, Haryana.

7. List this matter on **01.10.2026**, by when learned State counsel shall obtain specific instructions from the Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram, as well as from the Heads of all concerned Departments of the State.

8. The Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram, shall join the proceedings through Video Conferencing on the next date of hearing, along with the Heads of the Departments concerned with the issues involved in the present matters and who are parties thereto.

9. The Chief Engineer, Municipal Corporation, Gurugram, and the Officers-in-Charge of the Haryana Shehri Vikas Pradhikaran and Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority, shall also remain present through Video Conferencing on the date fixed.

10. Photocopy of this order be placed on the files of the connected cases.

**[ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA]  
CHIEF JUSTICE**

**[ROHIT KAPOOR]  
JUDGE**

**September 22, 2026**  
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