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- (1) IA NOS. 2069-2069A (APPLNS. FOR DIRECTIONS)
- (2) IA NO. 2180 (APPLN. FOR DIRECTIONS)
- (3) IA NOS. 2181 -2182 (APPLNS. FOR QUASHMENT OF ORDINANCE DT. 15.9.2007 AND IMPLEADMENT)
- (4) IA NO. 2256 (APPLN. FOR DIRECTIONS)
- (5) IA NO. 2331 (APPLN. FOR CHALLENGING THE NOTIFICATIONS DT. 16.6.2008 AND 12.8.2008)
- (6) IA NO. 2441 (APPLN. FOR DIRECTIONS)
- (9) REPORT OF STATUS OF GROUND WATER

WITH

- W.P.(C) No. 144/2009 (PIL-W)
- W.P.(C) No. 212/2008 (PIL-W)
- W.P.(C) No. 266/2006 (PIL-W)
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- SLP(C) No. 10599/2007 (XIV)
- W.P.(C) No. 450/2006 (PIL-W)
- W.P.(C) No. 464/2006 (PIL-W)
- W.P.(C) No. 470/2006 (PIL-W)
- S.L.P.(C)...CC No. 14752-14753/2012 (XIV)

W.P.(C) No. 569/2006 (PIL-W)

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

Status of Ground Water

On 8th of May, 2018, we had noted the conclusion of the report prepared by the Central Ground Water Board in May, 2018. Among other things, the Report indicates that there is over-exploitation of ground water in large parts of Delhi and a major part of Delhi is over-exploited and falling in semi-critical category. In such areas, the water levels are showing persistent declining trend during the last two decades.

We had required the Secretary in the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of Delhi and the Delhi Government as well as the Delhi Pollution Control Committee to inform us about the possible solutions.

The Ministry of Water Resources has filed an affidavit which reads more like an essay containing nothing but platitudes. There are hardly any concrete and possible suggestions mentioned in the affidavit.

The Delhi Government, not surprisingly, does not appear to be bothered about the problems of Delhi and, therefore, has not filed any affidavit.

Similarly, the Delhi Pollution Control Committee also seems to have no concern about the problems of Delhi and, therefore, has filed no affidavit.

Our attention has also been drawn to a recent Report of the Niti Aayog on "Composite Water Management Index", June 2018, in which it is stated, inter alia,:

"In fact, by 2020, 21 major cities, including Delhi, Bangalore, and Hyderabad, are expected to reach zero groundwater levels, affecting access for 100 million people".

Obviously, the situation is critical and not merely semi-critical.

The concerned Ministry should file an affidavit indicating what it proposes to do, if anything at all. The affidavit be filed within four weeks.

List the matters on 14th August, 2018.

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- (7) IA NO. 43487/2018 (APPLN. FOR DIRECTIONS ON B/O GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI)
- (10) REPORT NO. 119 SUBMITTED BY MONITORING COMMITTEE
- (11) REPORT NOS. 120 AND 121 SUBMITTED BY MONITORING COMMITTEE
- (12) REPORT NOS. 122, 123 AND 124 SUBMITTED BY MONITORING COMMITTEE

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Report Nos.119-124

We have gone through the Report Nos.119-124 of the Monitoring Committee appointed by this Court.

The contents of the Reports make for some very sad reading.

In report after report, it is mentioned that the authorities are refusing to act and implement the orders of this Court with regard to removal of encroachments and unauthorised constructions.

We would like the Deputy Commissioner of South Delhi Municipal Corporation, West Zone and Central Zone to remain present in Court on the next date of hearing. The Chairman of the Special Task Force, i.e., the Vice-Chairman of the DDA should also be present on the next date of hearing.

Learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of the South Delhi Municipal Corporation stated in Court that a communication has been received from the Land and Development Officer for not carrying out sealing in respect of Amar Colony. We have taken his statement on record.

Response to the Reports may be filed well before the next date of hearing.

List Report Nos.119-124 along with I.A. filed by NCT of Delhi on 18th July, 2018.

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(8) IA NO. 45330/2018 (APPLN. FOR STAY ON B/O DELHI DEVELOPMENT **AUTHORITY**)

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following 0 R D E R $\,$

No orders are required to be passed in this application, which is accordingly disposed of.

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(13) I.A. NOS. 80793 AND 80794 (APPLNS. FOR PERMISSION AND IMPLEADMENT ON B/O MISBA FOODS PVT. LTD.)

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

The applications are dismissed.

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