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\* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **CONT.CAS(C)355/2019 & C.M.Nos. 12361-12362/2023,  
44233/2023**

DR ZAHEER AHMED ..... Petitioner

Through: Mr.Jayant Mehta, Sr.Advocate with  
Mr.Nakul Mohta and Mr.Bharat  
Monga, Advocates.

versus

PREETI SUDAN SECRETARY, UNION OF INDIA & ORS

..... Respondents

Through: Mr.Rishikesh Kumar, ASC for  
GNCTD with Ms.Sheenu Priya,  
Mr.Sudhir Kumar Shukla and  
Mr.Sumit Choudhary, Advocates.  
Mr.Srijan Sinha with Mr.Naveen Soni  
and Mr.Nikhil Khare, Advocates for  
DUNZO.  
Mr.Kirtiman Singh, CGSC with  
Ms.Vidhi Jain and Mr.Rishi Kant  
Singh, Advocates for DSCO, UOI.  
Mr.Ankur Khadelwal with Ms.Perna  
Sharma, Advocates for R-7.

+ **W.P.(C) 10611/2018 & C.M.No.41330/2018, 19841/2019**  
**SOUTH CHEMISTS AND DISTRIBUTORS ASSOCIATION**  
**(REGD.) AND ANR.** ..... Petitioners

Through: Mr.Sudhir Nandrajog, Sr.Advocate  
with Mr.Amit Gupta,  
Mr.H.S.Mahapatra and Mr.Shiv  
Verma, Advocates.

versus

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Mr.Sumit Choudhary, Advocates.



Ms.Shobhana Takair, Advocate for R-10.

+ **W.P.(C) 11711/2018 & C.M.Nos.45307/2018, 53274/2018, 53276/2018, 53461/2018, 518/2019, 5822/2019, 22215/2019**

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**THE UNION OF INDIA & ORS** ..... Respondents

Through: Mr.Srijan Sinha with Mr.Naveen Soni and Mr.Nikhil Khare, Advocates for DUNZO.

Mr.Kirtiman Singh, CGSC with Ms.Vidhi Jain and Mr.Rishi Kant Singh, Advocates for DSCO, UOI. Mr.Ankur Khadelwal with Ms.Perna Sharma, Advocates for R-7.

+ **CONT.CAS(C) 1681/2023**

**SOUTH CHEMISTS AND DISTRIBUTORS ASSOCIATION (REGD.) & ANR.** ..... Petitioners

Through: Mr.Sudhir Nandrajog, Sr.Advocate with Mr.Amit Gupta, Mr.H.S.Mahapatra and Mr.Shiv Verma, Advocates.

versus

**SUDHANSH PANT & ORS.** ..... Respondents

Through: Mr.Kirtiman Singh, CGSC with Ms.Vidhi Jain and Mr.Rishi Kant Singh, Advocates for DSCO, UOI. Mr.Satyakam, Advocate with Mr.Pradyat Kashyap, Advocate for GNCTD.

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE**

**HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA**



**ORDER**

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**16.11.2023**

**CONT.CAS(C) 355/2019**

**W.P.(C) 11711/2018**

1. Learned senior counsel for the petitioner states that unfortunately after the last date of hearing, the petitioner has passed away. He prays for and is permitted to file a substitution application within two weeks.

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**W.P.(C) 10611/2018**

**W.P.(C) 11711/2018**

**CONT.CAS(C) 1681/2023**

2. Today Mr.Kirtiman Singh, learned standing counsel for UOI states that consultations and deliberations are still going on-going qua the draft notification No.G.S.R.817(E) dated 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2018, which relates to online sale of drugs.

3. This Court is of the view that since more than five years have lapsed, the UOI has had sufficient time to frame a policy. However, in the interest of justice, one last opportunity is given to the UOI to frame the policy with regard to online sale of drugs within eight weeks. In the event the said policy is not framed within the stipulated period, the Joint Secretary dealing with this policy, shall be personally present in Court on the next date of hearing.

4. List on 04<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

**THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE**

**MINI PUSHKARNA, J**

**NOVEMBER 16, 2023/KA**