



**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD
LUCKNOW**

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (PIL) No. - 3436 of 2020

Gomti River Bank Residents Thru.Secy.Mr.Girdhar
Gopal

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State Of U.P.Through Prin.Secy.Housing And
Urban Dev. And Ors.

.....Respondent(s)

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Court No. - 5

**HON'BLE ALOK MATHUR, J.
HON'BLE BRIJ RAJ SINGH, J.**

1. Report in compliance of order dated 05.03.2025 and minutes of meeting filed by learned Amicus Curiae is taken on record.
2. Heard Mr. Abhinav Bhattacharya, learned Amicus Curiae, Mr. Sudeep Kumar, learned Additional Advocate General, State of U.P. assisted by Mr. Dev Prakash Mishra, learned Additional Chief Standing Counsel as well as Mr. Yashwant Singh, Advocate, holding brief of Mr. Raj Kumar Singh, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent no. 10.
3. As per the previous directions of this court, a report has been prepared by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), who have gone through the documents submitted by the State Government and given their suggestions and recommendations. A copy of the said affidavit has been handed over to the learned Standing Counsel, who prays for time to go through the contents thereof.
4. Mr. Sudeep Kumar, learned Senior Advocate, on the basis of written instructions received from Special Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh, informed this court that provision has already been made in the

existing terms and conditions for engaging the agency to inspect the schools with regard to compliance of any directions passed by this court at a subsequent stage, and there is no requirement for insertion of any new clause in this regard. Accordingly, no directions are required to be passed in this regard by this court in light of the statement made at the bar.

5. Learned Amicus as well as Mr. Sudeep Kumar, Senior Advocate have jointly informed the court that they are regularly engaged with various institutions to improve the traffic situation in and around the said schools, especially when the children are reaching the school and at the time when the school gets over. It has been further stated that some of the schools have complied with the directions and the situation has drastically improved, while on the other hand, certain institutions have failed to take any steps to ameliorate the traffic situation.

6. A joint prayer has been made to make such institutions as a party in the present proceedings as it is necessary that orders are passed by this court after giving the opportunity of hearing to such institutions, who are not complying with the order/directions of either the authorities or learned Amicus.

7. Accordingly, the following six institutions are directed to be made as respondents in the present proceedings:

1. La Martinière Girls' College through its Principal, Hazratganj, Lucknow
2. Loreto Convent, through its Principal, Gautampalli Lucknow
3. City Montessori School through its Principal, Gomti Nagar, Vishal Khand, Lucknow
4. City Montessori School through its Principal, Gomti Nagar Extension Campus, Lucknow
5. City Montessori School through its Principal, Station Road, Lucknow
6. Seth M.R. Jaipuria School through its Principal, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow

8. We have been informed that despite efforts having been made by the learned Amicus as well as the State Government, the aforesaid institutions

have not taken any steps to improve the traffic situation, due to which, the public at large is suffering.

9. Accordingly, the said institutions may also go through the previous directions of the Court passed on 23.08.2024 and other such orders where various suggestions were given by this Court for compliance by the educational institutions.

10. List this case on 19.01.2026, on which date, the Principal/Senior Faculty or Administrative Officer of the schools concerned shall be present in this Court and inform the steps they have taken with regard to the traffic situation in and around schools and also give suggestions for improving the situation.

11. It is made clear that at the first instance, it is also left to the institutions to improve the traffic situation and give suggestions for its improvement failing which directions will be issued by this Court as required and suggested by the State Authorities and learned Amicus after studying the entire traffic situation in and around the particular schools.

12. Office is directed to issue notices to the newly impleaded parties by sending a copy of the report filed by learned Amicus Curiae today.

(Brij Raj Singh,J.) (Alok Mathur,J.)

December 15, 2025

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