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

+ **W.P.(C) 1771/2023 & CM APPLs. 6768/2023**

OXFAM INDIA

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Ramesh Singh, Sr. Advocate with
Ms Prabhsahay Kaur and Ms. Bhavna
Vijay, Advocates (M: 7067638987).

versus

UNION OF INDIA

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Chetan Sharma, ASG with Mr.
Apoorv Kurup, CGSC and Mr.
Ojaswa Pathak, Mr. Amit Gupta,
Advocates for R-1 (M: 7434045408).

CORAM:

JUSTICE PRATHIBA M. SINGH

ORDER

% **13.02.2023**

1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.

CM APPL. 6769/2023(exemption)

2. Allowed subject to all just exceptions. Application is disposed of.

W.P.(C) 1771/2023 & CM APPL. 6768/2023 (for stay)

3. By way of the present petition, the Petitioner- Oxfam India challenges the impugned order dated 1st December, 2022 passed by the MHA refusing to renew the license of the Petitioner under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010. By the said impugned order, the revision application dated 13th January, 2022 filed by the Petitioner under section 32 of the FCRA 2010 challenging the non-renewal of the FCRA registration vide order dated 7th December, 2021, has been dismissed.

4. Issue notice.

5. Let the counter affidavit be filed within four weeks. Rejoinder, if any, be filed within four weeks thereafter.
6. In the counter affidavit, the reasons for non-renewal of the FCRA registration of the Petitioner shall be elaborated.
7. **CM APPL. 6768/2023** has been filed by the Petitioner seeking permission to utilize its existing unutilized funds that were pledged/earmarked before the FCRA renewal became due and the registration was valid, for existing/ongoing public projects.
8. Mr. Ramesh Singh, Id. Sr. Counsel submits that the Petitioner ought to be permitted to use the amount of Rs.21.39 crore which was received by it at the time when FCRA registration was valid, so that the same could be utilised for its social welfare activities.
9. Let reply to this application be filed within four weeks. Rejoinder, if any, be filed within four weeks.
10. List on 27th April, 2023.

PRATHIBA M. SINGH, J.

FEBRUARY 13, 2023

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