

E1 VASANT KUNJ RESIDENT WELFARE ASSOCIATION

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To

The Executive Engineer DDA, Electrical Division-6 Nelson Mandela Road Vasant Kunj, New Delhi

Subject: Immediate Action Required for Non-Functional Fire Safety System and clearing the spaces in illegal occupation which, potentially, are obstructive in the process of undertaking any fire-fighting operation, in E-1, Vasant Kunj

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to our earlier communications dated 24 May 2024, 02 Oct 24, 05 Nov 24 and 25 Mar 2025 (copies enclosed) highlighting, inter-alia, the nonfunctional fire safety system in Sector E-1, Vasant Kunj Society, the serious risks it posed to residents and outlining the Fire Safety measures required to be taken by DDA on immediate basis.

Despite the gravity of the situation highlighted in our above-mentioned communications, particularly in view of multiple fire incidents that have occurred in the society and were immediately reported to your office—the necessary fire safety measures have still not been implemented. This includes both the availability of legally mandated fire safety equipment and the removal of obstructions that could critically hinder or delay any fire-fighting operation. Unfortunately, these essential safeguards remain unaddressed by the DDA, posing a significant risk to the lives and property of residents.

Even the conditions **stipulated in the Fire NOC** issued to DDA by DFS (vide No. F6/DFS/MS/2020/486 dated 11.11.2020) seem not to have been complied with by DDA. This continued neglect exposes residents to severe safety risks.

We had also categorically mentioned in one of our previous letter that the Owner/Occupier is required to submit an annual declaration in Form "K" under the Delhi Fire Service Rules, 2010. Since the ownership and occupancy responsibility rests with DDA, this statutory obligation of Form K rests with DDA.

Additionally, Form K requires confirmation that all exits and passages are free from obstruction, and that the building complies with all fire safety standards prescribed under Rule 33 of the Delhi Fire Service Rules—covering critical aspects like hydrants, sprinklers, smoke



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management, water storage, and evacuation paths. It is evident that these conditions are **not** being complied with as required by law.

In view of the above, we once again urge you to treat this issue with utmost priority and immediately initiate the following actions:

- Comprehensive inspection of all fire safety systems
- Restoration and operationalization of non-functional fire-fighting equipment and firealarm infrastructure by undertaking repair, replacement.
- Scheduling of regular maintenance
- Conduct of fire safety drills
- Submission of Form "K" declaration to Delhi Fire Service
- Clearing the spaces under illegal occupation which, potentially, are obstructive for any process of fire-fighting.
- Making provision for ISI-marked fire buckets (minimum 10-litre capacity) at strategic locations and movable fire extinguishers (minimum 135-litre capacity in adequate numbers.

We hope you will recognise the **urgency and sensitivity** of this issue and initiate remedial steps without further delay. We urge you **not to wait for a major catastrophe**, as several **serious fire incidents have already occurred**. The safety, health, and lawful rights of over 1,200 families cannot be compromised further.

We request your **immediate response** along with confirmation of action taken, including an update on the filing status of Form "K" and steps toward compliance with Rule 33.

Sincerely,

(President)
RWA, Sector E-1
Vasant Kunj, New Delhi

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