IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

CW 2693/2002

COMMON CAUSE Petitioner Through Mr.Rakesh Sawhney.

versus

GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR. Respondent Through Mr.Amit Seth for Mr.Anil Grover for MCD. Ms.Zubeda Begum for respondent-1.

CORAM:

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.SIKRI

ORDER

30.04.2002

Having heard the learned counsel for the parties we are of the opinion that the matter relating to determination of rateable value of the holdings for the purpose of computation of the property tax being a matter which comes within the purview/domain of the Legislature, no writ of mandamus can issue for remedying the defects pointed out by the learned counsel for the petitioner herein. We may, however, state that learned counsel for the respondent very categorically states that steps are being taken to remedy the said defects and to adopt Unit Area Method. We hope and trust that the respondent, having regard to the fact that in the States of Bihar and Andhra Pradesh, such steps had proved successful, shall take - 2 -

an appropriate decision as expeditiously as possible. With the above observation, the Writ Petition is

dismissed.

CHIEF JUSTICE

A.K.SIKRI, J APRIL 30, 2002 pd