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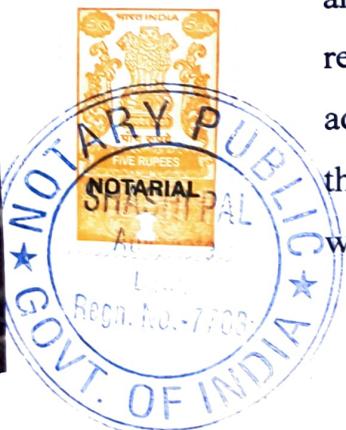
**MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:-**

I, SANJAY KUMAR GARG S/o Sh. Mahesh Chand Garg, age 57 years, working as Deputy Director(Archives) / Head of Office (Archaeology), Department of Archaeology, Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, having its office at Vikas Bhawan-II, 2nd Floor, B-Block, Civil Lines, Delhi-110054, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as under:

1. That this Hon'ble Tribunal, vide order dated 14.02.2025 impleaded the answering respondent, Department of Archaeology, GNCTD as respondent No. 20, amongst others and also directed all the newly added respondents to disclose the area with geo-coordinates of each of the water body and to also disclose the present status and area of the water bodies. The relevant part of the order is reproduced hereunder:

*"Respondents are directed to disclose the area with geo-coordinates of each of the water body under their management and control as per the revenue record. For this purpose, the*

  
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*Revenue Department will extend full cooperation to different departments and entities. The Respondents will also disclose the present status and area of the water bodies and the efforts made by them to clear encroachment, if any, existing thereon and restore them to the original position."*

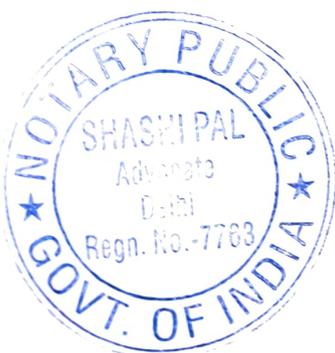
2. That the water body located at the Dwarka Baoli Monument falls under the answering respondent. The said historical site is conserved and maintained by the answering respondent (Department of Archaeology, GNCTD), however, the land-owning agency is DDA.
3. That the said Baoli is located at Sector 12, Dwarka near Gangotri Apartment. It is a human-made structure and is recharged through natural sources. Photographs of the Baoli monument alongwith its location and geo-coordinates areannexed herewith as **Annexure 1**.
4. The present status report is being placed before this Hon'ble Tribunal for its consideration.

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VERIFICATION:

Verified at New Delhi on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025 that the contents made in the abovementioned affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and from information received by me which I believe to be true and correct and are also nothing material has been suppressed or concealed therein.



ATTESTED

Notary Public, Delhi

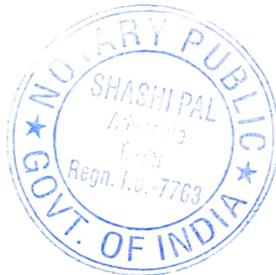
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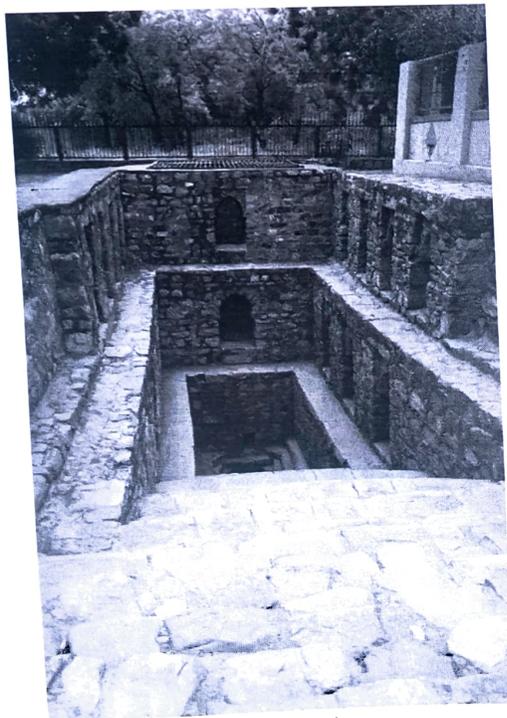
## FORMAT

S. No.	Wetland Name	Geographical Coordinates (Latitude and Longitude of the centre of the Wetlands)	District (s) in which the Wetland is located	Village	Wetlands Sub-Type (Natural or Human-made)	Area in (ha)	Khasra No/Areas	Whether falls within category of regulated wetlands as per Wetlands Rules	Land owner ships	Whether desilting of water body done in present season (Yes/No)	Present condition of water body in brief	Photograph of water body	Photograph of water body	Remarks
1	Baoli at Dwarka	28 35.989'N, 77 02.647'E	South West	Dwarka	Human-Made	0.008	NA	NO	Land Owner DDA, Structural Owner ship Department of Archaeology, GNCTD	YES	Water through Natural Sources			> The Baoli is located at Sector 12, Dwarka near Gangotri Apartment. Currently, Baoli has water through natural sources. The present photograph of the Baoli monument is placed herewith.



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ANNEXURE I (contd)  
Present Status of Dwarka Baoli Monument of Department of  
Archaeology, GNCTD



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