

**NEW DELHI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**  
**PALIKA KENDRA: NEW DELHI**

No. F. 25(1)/CS/01/2017/D-181

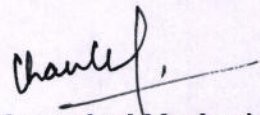
Dated: 04.02.2017.

**MEETING NOTICE**

The Special Meeting of the Council No. 13/2016-17, will be held on Monday, 06<sup>th</sup> February, 2017 at 10.00 AM in the Council Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Palika Kendra, New Delhi.

The list of business is enclosed herewith.

You are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the same.

  
(Chanchal Yadav)  
SECRETARY

**ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**



**NEW DELHI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**  
**PALIKA KENDRA : NEW DELHI**

**COUNCIL'S SPECIAL MEETING NO. 13/2016-17 DATED 06.02.2017 AT 10:00 A.M.**

**Arrangement of Business**

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T-04	Recommendation for renaming of 'Dalhousie Road' under the NDMC area as 'Dara Shikoh Road'	1-5	6-29



**ITEM NO. 01 (T-04)**

1. **Name of the subject:**  
Recommendation for renaming of 'Dalhousie Road' under the NDMC area as 'Dara Shikoh Road'
2. **Name of the Department:**  
General Administration Department
3. **Proposal on the subject/project:**

**3.1 Brief History on renaming of roads / streets by NDMC**

3.1.1 To respect the sentiments of people, the need to recognize and honour great men and women of our times, roads/ streets/ institutions have been re-named in the past. Some of these cases are as follows:-

		Council's Decision on
(i) Connaught Circus	Indira Chowk	12.01.1996
(ii) Connaught Place	Rajiv Chowk	12.01.1996
(iii) Canning Road	Madhav Rao Scindia Marg	26.02.2002
(iv) Aurangzeb Road	Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Road	28.08.2015
(v) Race Course Road	Lok Kalyan Marg	21.09.2016

**3.2 Present proposal**

3.2.1 In the instant case, a request has been made to the NDMC by Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha Vice Chairman NDMC and members of the Council on 03.02.2017 to rename 'Dalhousie Road' under the NDMC area as 'Dara Shikoh Road'. (Annexure-I, page no. 6-10).

3.2.2 Hon'ble MP has mentioned that the Dara Shikoh, the eldest son of fifth Mughal Emperor Shahjahan, had promoted the peace and concord between the followers of Hinduism and Islam, and has interest in comparative religions, universal brotherhood, humanism and peace. In fact, the library in Delhi named after him is a live example of his desire to acquire more knowledge and his commitment for commissioning of exquisite of Mughal architecture. He was a great patron of fine arts and music, and took his last breath in Delhi. Hon'ble MP has, therefore, requested to rename 'Dalhousie Road' under the NDMC area as 'Dara Shikoh Road'.

3.2.3 Similar recommendations have also been received from other members of the Council on 03.02.2017 viz. (i) Shri Karan Singh Tanwar, Vice-Chairperson, NDMC, (ii) Shri Abdul Rasheed Ansari, (iii) Shri B. S. Bhati, and (iv) Smt. Anita Arya, with a request to call a Special Meeting at the earliest, not later than 06.02.2017.

**4. Details of previous Council Resolutions, exiting Law of Parliament and Assembly on the subject:**

**4.1 Statutory Provisions under the NDMC Act, 1994**

4.1.1 Section 11 of the New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) Act, 1994 provides for 'Obligatory functions of the Council'. Clause (q) of section 11 provides that:



*"11. Subject to the provisions of this Act and any other law for the time being in force, it shall be incumbent on the Council to make adequate provisions by any means or measures which it may lawfully use or take, for each of the following matters, namely-*

*...*

*(q) the naming and numbering of streets and premises;*

*..."*

4.1.2 NDMC Act, 1994 has provisions regarding 'Naming and numbering of streets and numbering of buildings'. Clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 231 of the Act provides the following:

*"(1) The Chairperson may -*

*(a) with the sanction of the Council determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the Council shall be known;*

*..."*

#### 4.2 NDMC Resolution No. VIII (C-31) dated 13.10.2006

4.2.1 NDMC on 13.10.2006 passed a Resolution on 'Naming-Renaming of roads, streets, parks, installation of statues etc. in NDMC area' (copy placed as **Annexure-II: See pages 11 to 15**) which inter-alia provided that:

*(1) Naming and numbering of public streets have to be with the sanction of the Council as per Section 231 (i) (a) of the NDMC Act. The representation for naming should be from a group of persons such as an Association, Manch etc. Any proposal for naming has to be put-up for sanction or rejection of the Council. The name has to be for an unnamed road/street. Subsequently the decision taken by the Council is to be communicated to the State Names Authority (SNA), GNCT of Delhi for their approval. The cases of rejection by the Council may be communicated directly to the concerned organization.*

*(2) The guidelines of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, vide letter No.13022/34/74/Delhi dt.27.09.1975 are to be strictly adhered to with respect to renaming of streets. Any renaming can be considered by the Council only when there are directives from the Govt. of India. The Department shall communicate to the applicants directly as per guidelines of the Govt. of India. Renaming can only be an exception. Recommendations can be given by the Council regarding renaming. Any contrary decision of the Govt. of India shall be brought to the notice of the Council.*

#### 4.3 Guidelines issued by Ministry of Home Affairs dated 27.9.1975

4.3.1 Guidelines issued by Ministry of Home Affairs vide letter No. 13022/34/74-Delhi dated 27.9.1975 (copy placed as **Annexure III: See page 16**) which provides the following:

*"...change in the names of streets / roads etc. not only create confusion for the Post Offices and the public, but also deprive the people of a sense of history. It has been decided that the names of existing streets/ roads etc. should not be changed. Only new streets / roads etc., and such old and such old streets / roads*



*etc., as are in existence without specific names may be named after eminent personalities local, national or international to honour them.*

*2 The local bodies in Delhi may be advised to follow these guidelines henceforth."*

#### **4.4 Guidelines to be followed by State Names Authority, Government of NCT of Delhi**

4.4.1 A State Names Authority has been constituted in Delhi by the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor vide Order No. F. No. 13/41/84/UD/3226-3258 dated 07.05.1999 read with Order No. F. No. 13/41/84/UD/14576-14604 dated 09.09.1999. The Jurisdiction of the Authority extends to all roads, streets, parks, colonies and other geographical entities in the National Capital Territory of Delhi except those vested in MCD or NDMC.

4.4.2 Guidelines have been circulated by Department of Urban Development, Government of NCT of Delhi vide Circular No. 12/40/2003/ SNA/UD/4006-34 dated 18.6.2004 (copy placed as **Annexure IV: See pages 17 - 20**) to be followed by State Names Authority, which provided the following regarding renaming of roads/ streets etc.:

##### ***"II. RENAMING OF ROADS/STREETS ETC.***

*(i) The names of existing streets, roads etc. should not be changed. Only new streets, roads etc., can be considered for being named after eminent personalities of the local, national or international level in order to honor them.*

*(ii) Names which are a part of history may not be altered."*

4.4.3 The Guidelines dated 1.12.2006 (copy placed as **Annexure V: See pages 21 - 26**) to be followed by State Names Authority provides that:

##### ***"4. RENAMING OF ROADS / STREETS ETC.:***

*(iii) The names of existing streets, roads etc. will normally not be changed. Only new streets, roads etc., will be considered for being named after eminent personalities.*

*(iv) Names, which are a part of history, will not be altered.*

*(v) All proposal for re-naming will be referred to Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India in accordance with instructions in letter dated 27.09.1975.*

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##### ***6. NDMC ROADS / STREETS***

*The NDMC Act, 1994 under section 11(q) states that the naming and numbering of streets and premises is an obligatory function of the council. Section 231(a) provides that "The Chairperson may with the sanction of the Council determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the Council shall be known". Hence all roads and streets falling in NDMC area may be named as per the rules and guidelines of NDMC, keeping in view the instructions issued by Govt. of India referred to in para 3 above."* (emphasis added)

4.4.4 The State Names Authority, Government of NCT of Delhi has issued instructions vide letter No. F-12/47/2013/SNA/UD/18454-56 dated 26.09.2013 that all roads and streets falling in NDMC area may be named as per rules and guidelines of NDMC (**Annexure VI: See page 27**).



4.4.5 The State Names Authority, Government of NCT of Delhi has been re-constituted vide Order no. F-12(20)/SNA/UD/2015/D-38 dated 11.8.2015, a copy of which is placed at Annexure VII (See pages 28 - 29).

4.5 In view of the above, the Chairman, NDMC after approval of the New Delhi Municipal Council may rename any street / road under the NDMC area as per the provisions of the NDMC Act, 1994.

4.6 The Council vide its resolution item No. 08(T-01) dated 27.06.2016 decided that not many unnamed roads / streets are available in NDMC area, therefore, only request made in this regard, as recommended by the member of the Council may be brought before the Council. As the instant proposal is recommended by Shri Karan Singh Tanwar, Vice Chairperson and Member of the Council, therefore, this agenda item is placed before the Council for its consideration.

**5. Financial implications of the proposed project/subject:**

There are no financial implications, except the expenditure on the change of name in the road sign boards, display boards, etc.

**6. Implementation schedule with timeliness for each stage including internal proceedings**

The decision of the Council will be implemented immediately.

**7. Comments of the Finance Department on the subject:**

Not applicable.

**8. Comment of the Department on comments of Finance Department:**

Not applicable.

**9. Legal Implications of the subject:-**

Not applicable

**10. Comment of the Law Department on the subject:-**

There is no law point involved and as such no comments. However, department may follow the necessary guidelines issued by the Government from time-to-time.

**11. Comments of the Department on the comments of Law Department**

No comments

**12. Certification by the department that all the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) guidelines have been followed while processing the case.**

Not applicable.



13. Recommendation:

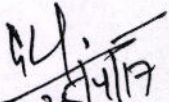
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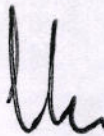
COUNCIL'S DECISION

The Council resolved that the name of 'Dalhousie Road' under the NDMC area be renamed as 'Dara Shukoh Road' in terms of clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 231 of the New Delhi Municipal Act, 1994, with immediate effect.

The Council further resolved that the resolution of the Council be conveyed to the (i) Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India; (ii) Department of Posts and Telegraph, Government of India; and (iii) Government of NCT of Delhi.

It is further resolved by the Council that the department may initiate further necessary action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes of the Council.

  
(CHANCHAL YADAV)  
SECRETARY

  
(NARESH KUMAR)  
CHAIRPERSON

  
(ARVIND KEHRIWAL)  
PRESIDING OFFICER



**13. Recommendation:**

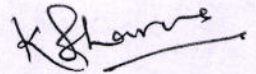
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For Secretary  
New Delhi Municipal Council  
New Delhi.



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Annexure - I

D.O. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Dated the 03<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017

Dear *Nareh ji*

Considering many requests for change of name of roads in NDMC area and the fact that not many unnamed roads / streets are available in NDMC area, New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) has decided that requests which are recommended by the members of the Council only, will be considered by the Council.

2 It has brought to my notice that the 'Dalhousie Road', which was named on the then British Governor General in India, is situated at the heart of New Delhi. Residents of my constituency have requested to rename this road in the name of 'Dara Shikoh'.

3 Dara Shikoh, the eldest son of fifth Mughal Emperor Shahjahan, had promoted the peace and concord between the followers of Hinduism and Islam, and has interest in comparative religions, universal brotherhood, humanism and peace. In fact, the library in Delhi named after him is a live example of his desire to acquire more knowledge and his commitment for commissioning of exquisite of Mughal architecture. He was a great patron of fine arts and music, and took his last breath in Delhi.

4 Considering the request of the people, I recommend to you to kindly consider renaming 'Dalhousie Road' in the NDMC area as 'Dara Shikoh Road' at the earliest.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Meenakashi Lekhi)

**Shri Naresh Kumar**

Chairperson

New Delhi Municipal Council

New Delhi.

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**Karan Singh Tanwar**

**Vice Chairman, NDMC**

Former MLA, Delhi Legislative Assembly



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Dated the 03<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017

Dear Shri Naresh Ji,

As the New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) was receiving many proposals for changing names of roads in NDMC area, and not much unnamed roads are there in NDMC area, the Council decided that the proposals for renaming of roads recommended by the members of the Council only, shall be brought before the Council for consideration.

2 Many people has met me with a request to rename the 'Dalhousie Road', which was named of the then British Governor General in India, in the name of 'Dara Shikoh', eldest son of Mughal Emperor Shahjahan.

3 It is informed that Dara Shikoh devoted his life towards peaceful co-existence of Islam and Hinduism. He was a great patron of fine arts and music, and is also known for commissioning of several exquisite of Mughal architecture, including the Dara Shikoh Library in Delhi.

4 Considering the request of my people, I propose that 'Dalhousie Road' in the NDMC area may be renamed as 'Dara Shikoh Road', and a Special Meeting of the Council to consider the same may kindly be called at the earliest, not later than 06<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

With warm regards

Yours sincerely,

(Karan Singh Tanwar)

Shri Naresh Kumar, IAS  
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D.O. No. D-\_\_\_/PA/MEMBER/2017  
Dated the 03<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017

Dear Shri Naresh Ji,

New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) is receiving many proposals for changing names of roads in NDMC area, on which the Council deliberated and decided that the proposals which are sent by the members of the Council only will be considered by the Council.

2 Many people met me informing that the 'Dalhousie Road' on the name of the then British Governor General in India may be renamed as 'Dara Shikoh Road'. They informed that Dara Shikoh made huge efforts towards humanism, brotherhood and peaceful co-existence between Islam and Hinduism. Dara Shikoh was a great patron of fine arts and music, and is known for commissioning of several exquisite of Mughal architecture, including the Dara Shikoh Library in Delhi.

3 I therefore propose that 'Dalhousie Road' in the NDMC area may be renamed as 'Dara Shikoh Road', and a Special Meeting of the Council to consider the same may kindly be called at the earliest, not later than 06<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

With warm regards

Yours sincerely,

(B. S. Bhati)

Shri Naresh Kumar, IAS  
Chairperson  
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New Delhi.

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Dated the 03<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017

Dear Shri Naresh Ji,

New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) is receiving many proposals for changing names of roads in NDMC area, on which the Council deliberated and decided that the proposals which are sent by the members of the Council only will be considered by the Council.

2 Lots of people has met me informing that there is a road at the heart of NDMC area, namely 'Dalhousie Road' on the name of the then British Governor General in India, and requested that the same road may be renamed as 'Dara Shikoh Road'.

3 It is informed that Dara Shikoh devoted much effort towards finding a common mystical language between Islam and Hinduism, and has done great works towards humanism, brotherhood and peaceful co-existence of religions. Dara Shikoh was a great patron of fine arts and music, and is known for commissioning of several exquisite of Mughal architecture, including the Dara Shikoh Library in Delhi.

4 I therefore propose that 'Dalhousie Road' in the NDMC area may be renamed as 'Dara Shikoh Road', and a Special Meeting of the Council to consider the same may kindly be called at the earliest.

With warm regards

Yours sincerely,

*Abdul Rasheed Ansari*

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*Secretary*



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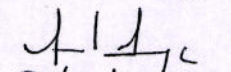
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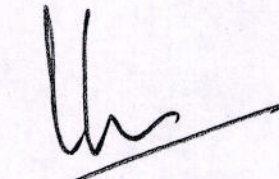
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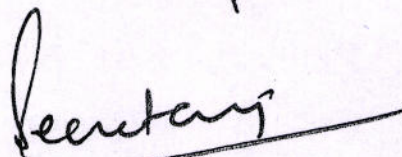
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Chairperson  
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**ITEM NO. 8 (C-31) / 13-10-2006**

1. **NAME OF THE SUBJECT** Naming-Renaming of roads, streets, parks, installation of statues etc. in NDMC area.
2. **NAME OF THE DEPARTMENT** : General Administration Department
3. **BRIEF HISTORY OF THE SUBJECT:**

The NDMC receives representations for naming/renaming of roads/street, parks, inter-sections, installation of statues etc. These representations are forwarded to the Civil Engineering Department, Horticulture department for identification of any un-named road, park etc. Apart from this, the issue of renaming of existing roads also arises based on these representations. Normally since there are hardly any unnamed roads in the NDMC area, replies are sent accordingly

The following provisions of the NDMC Act 1994 are relevant with regard to definition, vesting and naming of streets;-

- I) The definition of Private street, Public Street and streets are given in Section 2 (36), 2(39) and 2 (51) of the Act; (**Annexure 'A' See page 194**)
- II) Naming and numbering of streets and premises is an obligatory function of NDMC as per Section 11(q) of the NDMC Act, 1994.
- III) Section 202 of NDMC Act 1994 vests all public streets in the Council. The provisions read as follows:-

"All streets within New Delhi which are or at any time become public streets and the pavements, stones and other materials thereof shall vest in the Council.

Provided that no public street which immediately before the commencement of this Act vested in the Union shall, unless the Central Government with the consent of the Council so directs, vest in the Council by virtue of this sub-section.

(2) All public streets vesting in the Council shall be under the control of the Chairperson and shall be maintained, controlled and regulated by him in accordance with the bye-laws made in this behalf."



iv) Section 231 (i) (a) provide for naming and numbering of streets as follows:

"The Chairperson may with the sanction of the Council determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the Council shall be known".

v) Section 388 D(6) provides for framing of bye-laws relating to street in connection with construction, repair, maintenance, naming, numbering and lighting of street for which provisions is necessary or should be made."

vi) The Ministry of Urban Development has issued guidelines for installation of statues/ memorial & is annexed **as annexure 'B' (See page 195-196)**. These guidelines prescribe that all cases are placed before the Central Cabinet for required permission and that Ministry of Works, Housing and Supply (now known as Ministry of Urban Development (MOUD) will deal with this matter. The other terms and conditions include that cost of work, fabrication, transportation etc. is borne by the organization and clearance from DUAC and CPWD is also taken. The proposals are to be initiated by an organization. Apart from this, State Names Authority (SNA) chaired by the Chief Minister Delhi has also outlined that any kind of statue should first be approved, in principle, by it.

vii) State Names Authority (SNA) of the Govt. of NCT of Delhi has also issued certain guidelines for naming/renaming of roads, streets etc. vide their minutes dated 8.1.86, 20.6.2001 and 17.6.2004. A copy of the same is annexed **as Annexure 'C' (See pages 197-201)**. These guidelines pertain to naming/renaming of streets, statues and that such requests should from a group of persons such as Association, Manch, Sangh etc. and not from a single person.

viii) The issue of re-naming is governed by the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs vide letter no. 13022/34/74/Delhi dated 27.9.1975. Copy of the letter is annexed **as Annexure 'D' (See page 202)**. These guidelines of the Government of India specify that the names of existing streets/roads etc. should not be changed. Only new streets/roads etc., and such old streets/roads etc. as are in existence without specific names may be named after eminent personalities local, national or international to honour them. The Local Bodies in Delhi including NDMC have been advised to follow these guidelines. This decision is in view of the fact that changes in the names of streets/roads etc. not only create confusion for the Post Offices and public but also deprive the people of a sense of history.

x) Since 1994 the Council has considered 49 Resolutions pertaining to naming/renaming of roads, parks, installation of statues etc. **Annexure 'E' (See pages 203-208)**. There are exceptions in respect of renaming e.g. renaming of Aurangzeb Road as Dara Shikoh Marg,



South End Road as Piloo Mody Road, Canning Road as Madhav Rao Scindia Marg, Willingdon Crescent as Mother Teresa Crescent etc. However, the Council also accepted the renaming of Connaught Circus as Indira Chowk and Connaught Place as Rajiv Chowk as per direction of the Govt. of India. **(See annexure 'E' item No. 7, 28, 35, 47, 4)**

**4. DETAILED PROPOSAL ON THE SUBJECT:**

The guidelines regarding naming/renaming of streets, statutes etc. are as mentioned below and are placed for information:-

- 1) Naming and numbering of public streets have to be with the sanction of the Council as per Section 231 (i) (a) of the NDMC Act. The representation for naming should be from a group of persons such as an Association, Manch etc. Any proposal for naming has to be put for sanction or rejection of the Council. The name has to be for an unnamed road/street. Subsequently the decision taken by the Council is to be communicated to the State Names Authority (SNA), GNCT of Delhi for their approval. The cases of rejection by the Council may be communicated directly to the concerned organization. .
- 2) The guidelines of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India vide letter no. 13022/34/74/Delhi dated 27.9.1975 are to be strictly adhered to with respect to **renaming** of streets. Any renaming can be considered by the Council only when there are directives from the Government of India. The department shall communicate to the applicants directly as per guidelines of the Govt. of India.
- 3) With regard to installation of statues, the guidelines of the Government of India are to be adhered to strictly and all proposals are to be forwarded to the State Naming Authority and Government of India for requisite permissions.
- 4) Byelaws for naming of streets shall be framed taking into consideration the guidelines of the State Names Authority and Government of India. With regard to action taken in the past, the matter shall be referred to Ministry of Home Affairs for approval.
- 5) Any other guidelines as decided by the Council.

**5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:**

There are no financial implications.

**6. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE WITH TIMELINESS FOR EACH STAGE INCLUDING INTERNAL PROCESSING:**

Not applicable.



**7. COMMENTS OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT :**

"The draft agendum has been seen in Finance Department and seems to be in order. Some minor corrections have been done on the body of agendum itself that may kindly be taken care of. Moreover, the department may also fill up suitably serial no. 7, 8, 11 & 12 of the draft agendum before placing it for consideration of the Council."

**8. COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT ON THE COMMENTS OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT:**

The necessary corrections as mentioned by the Finance in the draft agendum have been made.

**9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE SUBJECT:**

The proposal aims at adopting a uniform guideline.

**10. DETAILS OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS, EXISTING LAW OF PARLIAMENT & ASSEMBLY ON THE SUBJECT:**

These details are presented in the brief history on the subject as at para 3.

**11. COMMENTS OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT:**

"The agenda has been as per provisions of the NDMC Act and the guidelines/directions from MHA/Delhi Administration may be placed before the Council for information." The Law Department further observed ...."I) preamble refers to provision of Section 388(1)D(6) of the NDMC Act which provides for framing of Byelaws for naming and numbering of streets. These Byelaws have not been framed. When NDMC frames Byelaws, views of public are available. The Byelaws gets approval of GNCT of Delhi and when placed before Parliament, it has approval of Parliament. It is therefore suggested that guidelines of State Names Authority and M/o Home Affairs be included in the Byelaws. Ii) As regards, action taken in past, the matter be referred to M/o. Home Affairs (MHA) for approval."

**12. COMMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT ON THE COMMENTS OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT:**

The views of Law Department are accepted.

**13. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Recommended for considering the proposals as at Para 4 (1) to (5).

The Chairperson has seen the case.

The matter is laid before the Council for consideration.



**14. DRAFT RESOLUTION:**

Resolved by the Council that the proposals as at Para 4 (1) to (5) are approved.  
Resolved further that action on the item may be taken pending confirmation of the minutes of the meeting.

**COUNCIL'S DECISION**

Approved.

Resolved by Council that the proposal at Para 4 (1) to (5) are approved with following additions in Para 4(2)..." Renaming can only be an exception. Recommendations can be given by the Council regarding renaming. Any contrary decision of the Government of India shall be brought to the notice of the Council.



Guidelines for Renaming of Streets/Roads

Commissioner's letter No. 1841 D&L dated 10.09.75

The Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs had issued certain instructions/guidelines regarding renaming of streets/roads etc., vide their letter No. 13022/34/74-Delhi dated 27th Sept., 1975 to the local bodies in Delhi.

The copy of the aforesaid letter is reproduced below:-

No. 13022/34/74-Delhi  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
(BHARAT SARKAR)  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
NEW DELHI - 110 001

Dated, the 27th Sept., 1975

The Chief Secretary,  
Delhi Administration,  
Delhi.

Subject: Guide-lines for renaming of Streets/roads etc.

The question of renaming of streets/roads etc., has been under the consideration of this Ministry for some time. The changes in the names of streets/roads etc. not only create confusion for the Post Offices and the public, but also deprive the people of a sense of history. It has been decided that the names of existing streets/roads etc. should not be changed. Only new streets/roads etc., and such old streets/roads etc. as are in existence without specific names may be named after eminent personalities local, national or international to honour them.

The local bodies in Delhi may be advised to follow these guide-lines henceforth.

Yours faithfully,

sd/-  
(R.D. Kapoor)  
Deputy Secretary to the  
Govt. of India



GOVT. OF DELHI  
MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
WING NO. 4, WING NO. 4, DELHI SECRETARIAT  
POSTAL, NEW DELHI - 110002

Date

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I am directed to forward herewith the guidelines to be followed by State Name Authority for naming remaining of roads, streets, villages, towns etc. and installation of Statues/Memorials.

Encl. As above

(D.V.S. YADAV)  
DEPUTY SECRETARY (UD)

NO.F.12/40/2003/EN/UD/406-34

Dated: 17/05/2004

1. Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
2. The Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Sectt. New Delhi.
3. Dr. S.C. Vaid, MLA, 404, Sainik Vihar, Delhi - 34.
4. Sh. Ashok Singh, MLA, B-5/183, Safdar Jung Enclave, New Delhi.
5. Sh. Parlad Singh, Sawhne, MLA, 6-C, 7 Rajpur Road, Ashok Apartments, Delhi.
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7. The Secretary (Home), Government of India, North Block, New Delhi.
8. The Secretary, Ministry of Human Resources, Deptt. of Culture, Government of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. The Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
10. The Vice-Chairman, DDA, Vikas Sadan, JNA, New Delhi.
11. The Principal Secretary, Urban Development Department, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Sectt. New Delhi.
12. The Pr. Secretary (Home), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Sectt. New Delhi.
13. The Commissioner of Police, Delhi, MSO Building, New Delhi.
14. The Pr. Secy. (PWD), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Sectt. New Delhi.
15. The Pr. Secretary (Education), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Sectt. Delhi.
16. The Commissioner, MCD, Town Hall, Delhi.
17. The Chairman, NDMC, Palika Kendra, New Delhi.
18. The Development Commissioner-cum-Revenue Secretary, GNCTD, 5/9 Under Hill Road, Delhi.
19. The Director General, Air Survey of India, West Block No. 4, Wing No. 4, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.
20. The Director General of Archives, Government of India, West Block No. 4, Wing No. 4, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.
21. The Chairman, Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation Ltd, 9 Mayapuri Marg, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi.
22. The Director Archives, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Plot No. 198, Salsang Vihar Marg, Special Institutional Area, near JNU Campus, New Delhi.
23. The Director (Postal Services), Delhi, Meghdoot Bhawan, Jhandewalan, New Delhi.
24. The General Manager, (Admn.), Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Kharshid Lal Bhawan, New Delhi.
25. The Chief Executive Officer, Delhi Cantt. Board, Delhi Cantt. Delhi.
26. The Dean of Colleges, University of Delhi, Delhi.
27. The Chief Engineer, PWD, Zone - I, MSO Building, New Delhi.
28. Shri Yashraj, Retired (Expert), D-17, Mahadru Enclave, Delhi.
29. Special Secretary, Urban Development Department, GNCTD, Delhi Sectt. New Delhi.

(D.V.S. YADAV)  
DEPUTY SECRETARY (UD)



GUIDELINES TO BE FOLLOWED BY STATE NAMES AUTHORITY FOR NAMING/RENAMING OF ROADS, STREETS, VILLAGES, TOWNS ETC. AND INSTALLATION OF STATUE/MEMORIALS:

From time to time instructions have been issued by Govt. of India regarding naming/renaming of roads, streets, villages etc. and installation of statue/memorials.

The State Names Authority in its earlier meetings has adopted certain principles for naming/renaming of roads, streets etc. For the sake of convenience, all these guidelines have been compiled and reproduced below to be followed by all concerned.

I. NAMING OF ROADS, STREETS, ETC.

1. Request for naming a park, street, road, colony etc. should come from a group of persons such as Association, Manch, Sangh, Group etc. and not from any single person. After preliminary scrutiny the request will be sent to the concerned Land Owning Agency and the Dy. Commissioner (Revenue) for comments. The DC shall form his views after assessing public opinion in the area and taking a view on the applications being of representative merit. After receiving their comments the proposal will be examined by the Sub-Committee of SNA. Only the proposals recommended by the Sub-Committee will be placed before SNA for consideration.
2. If any road, park, street, building etc. has already been named once after a particular dignitary, then a fresh proposal for renaming any other place after the same dignitary should not be sent to the State Names Authority.

Every proposal should be accompanied by a brief write up about the accomplishments of the individual whose name is proposed.

4. The service rendered by a particular dignitary to the Nation, and particularly Delhi should be the guiding principle.
5. Names of living persons are usually not suggested.
6. While adopting the names of the foreigners (of international standing) the proposed name should be precise and correctly spell.

II. RENAMING OF ROADS/STREETS ETC.

1. The names of existing streets, roads etc. should not be changed. Only new streets, roads etc., can be considered for being named after eminent personalities of the local, national or international level in order to honour them.
2. Names which are a part of history may not be altered.

III. CHANGE IN THE NAMES OF VILLAGES, TOWNS, ETC.

1. Changes in the names of Villages, Towns etc. should be discouraged as far as possible, that no change should be agreed to unless there were compelling reasons to justify it, and that all proposals should be referred to the Ministry of Home Affairs before any change is made.



State Govt have been advised to follow a uniform procedure in the matter of changing the names of places and to keep the following broad principles when making proposals for changes in the names of villages, towns etc. to the Government of India :-

- a) If there is some very special reason, it is not desirable to change a name which people have got used to.
- b) Names of villages etc. having a historical connection should not be changed as far as possible.
- c) Change should not be made merely on grounds of local patriotism or for linguistic reasons, eg. villages etc. should not be renamed after national leaders merely to show respect to them or for satisfying local sentiment in the matter of language etc.
- d) In selecting new names, care should be taken to see that there is no Village or Towns etc. of the same name in the State and Neighbourhood.
- e) While recommending any change, the State Governments should furnish detailed reasons for proposing a change in the name and also for selecting the new name.
3. Where an ancient place has fallen into decay and with that the old place name has also disappeared the ancient name should be restored.

#### IV. INSTALLATION OF THE STATUE/MEMORIALS

1. The Government normally does not install statues. If at all this is done, there should be an organization to initiate such proposals and ready to bear the cost of installation of statues etc. as a whole. Such organizations are also required to fulfil the following terms and conditions, before the request is considered by the Government:

- (i) Cost of the work relating to the statue, including cost of fabrication, transportation and installation should be borne by the organization.
- (ii) The organization should obtain clearance of the Delhi Urban Art Commission and Chief Architect, Central PWD regarding the size of the statue, material used and design of the pedestal for the statue landscaping of the area.
- (iii) It will be the responsibility of the organization to have proper landscaping of the area in consultation with the local authorities i.e. NDMC/MCD.
- (iv) The organization shall take up and settle with the local bodies concerned the question of the maintenance of the statue after the installation of the statue and its landscaping.
- (v) The organization will have no claim on land on which it is permitted to install the statue and the ownership of the land will continue to vest in the Government.
- (vi) The statue shall be installed in accordance with the site plan to be obtained by the organization from the Chief Architect, CPWD.



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Minister  
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regards the location/site for the statues. Normally the Delhi Urban Art Commission and the Chief Architect, CPWD are not in favour of allotting a traffic roundabout in the city for installation of statues.

2. Every proposal for erecting any kind of statue in Delhi (except Lutyen's Delhi) should first be approved in principle by the State Names Authority. Proposal for installation of statues in Lutyen's Delhi will require the approval of Union Cabinet.

3. After getting approval of State Names Authority, the proposal should be approved by MCD/NDMC/DDA/Cantonment Board as the case may be and also by the Delhi Urban Art Commission.

INSTALLATION OF SECOND STATUE:

Normally sanction for installation of second statue may not be considered. However, if the first statue installed is not readily accessible to the general public, a proposal for installation of a second statue may be considered on a case-to-case basis.

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GUIDELINES FOR NAMING, RENAMING OF ROADS, STREETS, VILLAGES, TOWNS ETC. AND INSTALLATION OF STATUE/MEMORIALS TO BE FOLLOWED BY STATE NAMES AUTHORITY, DELHI

1. A State Names Authority has been constituted by the Hon'ble LG vide Order No. F.No.13/41/84/UD/3226-3258, dated 07.05.1999 (page 52/c) read with order No. F.No.13/41/84/UD/14576-14604, dated 01.09.1999 (page 53/c) to decide on naming/renaming of roads, streets, villages etc. and installation of statues/memorials. The State Names Authority has the following terms of reference:

- a) Research and investigation into the names of geographical entities falling wholly within the boundaries of the State or the Union of Territory and standardization of their names and spelling in the State language.
- b) Giving names to new villages/townships/& other geographical entities.
- c) Scrutiny of proposals for alteration of existing names and processing them in accordance with Govt. of India letter No.130/53-public dt.11.9.53. Such proposals for change of names will only be referred to Ministry of Home Affairs.
- d) Publishing a list of standardized geographical names and ensuring their use by the Govt. agencies and public concerned.
- e) Acting as a clearing House for information pertaining to geographical names.
- f) Transliterating geographical names falling outside the State or Union Territory into the State language according to the system of transliteration approved by the Central Govt.
- g) Co-ordination and co-operation with the adjoining States in standardization of names.

2. The Jurisdiction of the Authority extends to all roads, streets, parks, colonies and other geographical entities in the National Capital Territory of Delhi except those vested in MCD or NDMC.

3. NAMING OF ROADS, STREETS ETC.:

- i) Request for naming a park, street, road, colony etc. should come from a group of persons such as Association, Manch,



entity should normally be registered under the Societies Registration Act. RWAs under Bhagidari Cell can also send proposals.

- ii) After preliminary scrutiny, the proposals will be sent to the concerned Deputy Commissioners of the Revenue districts as well as the Land Owning Agencies, who will give their views within 30 days. Thereafter proposals will be scrutinized by a sub committee of SNA chaired by Principal Secretary (Urban Development)
- iii) Only proposals recommended by the sub committee will be placed before the State Names Authority. Every proposal should be accompanied by a brief write up about the accomplishments of the individual whose name is proposed.
- iv) If any road, park, street, building etc. has already been named after a particular dignitary, then a fresh proposal for naming any other place after the same dignitary will normally not be entertained.
- v) The service rendered by the nominee to the nation and particularly to Delhi will be the major guiding principle for taking a decision.
- vi) A road, street, park etc. should be named as far as possible in the area where the particular dignitary resided.
- vii) Names of living persons will not be entertained.
- viii) While considering names of foreigners (of International standing) the views of Ministry of External Affairs should be obtained.



4. RENAMING OF ROADS/STREETS ETC. :

- i) The names of existing streets, roads etc. will normally not be changed. Only new streets, roads etc., will be considered for being named after eminent personalities.
- ii) Names, which are a part of history, will not be altered.
- iii) All proposals for re-naming will be referred to Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India in accordance with instructions in letter-dated 27.09.1975 (Annex-I).

5. MCD ROADS/STREETS

The DMC Act, 1957 under Section 42 (q) states that the Naming and Numbering of streets and premises is an obligatory function of the Corporation. Section 327 (a) provides that "the Commissioner may with sanction of the Corporation determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the Corporation shall be known". Hence all MCD roads/streets and parks may be named by MCD as per the rules and guidelines of the Corporation, keeping in view the instructions issued by Govt. of India from time to time. (Annex-I-IV)



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6. NDMC Roads/Streets

The NDMC Act, 1994 under section 11 (q) states that the naming and numbering of streets and premises is an obligatory function of the council. Section 231 (a) provides that "The Chairperson may with the sanction of the Council determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the council shall be known". Hence all roads and streets falling in NDMC area may be named as per the rules and guidelines of NDMC, keeping in view the instructions issued by Govt. of India referred to in para 3 above.

7. CHANGES IN THE NAMES OF VILLAGES, TOWNS ETC. :

- i) Changes in the names of villages, towns etc. should be discouraged as far as possible. No change should be agreed to unless there are compelling reasons to justify it and all proposals should be referred to the Ministry of Home Affairs before any change is made. The guidelines framed by Ministry of Home Affairs vide letter no. 130/53-Public dt. 11/09/1953, letter no. 11/7/2004-M&G dt. 11/04/2005 and letter no. 39/11/60-Pub.1 dt. 28/12/1960 (copies at Annex-II-IV) may be kept in view while making recommendations for change in names of Villages, Towns etc.
  - ii) Unless there is some very special reason, it is not desirable to change a name which people have got used to.
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- should not be changed as far as possible. Changes should not be made merely to show respect to them or for satisfying local sentiment in the matter of language etc. An exception can, however, be made in the case of Martyrs where the name can be suitably added to the name of a place sought to be changed, if a request is made by the State government to that effect and there is general recognition of the role of the Martyr in national life.
- v) In selecting new names, care should be taken to see that there is no village or town etc. of the same name in the State and Neighborhood.
  - vi) While recommending any change, the State Governments should furnish detailed reasons for proposing a change in the name and also for selecting the new name.
  - ii) Where an ancient place has fallen into decay and with that the old name has also disappeared the ancient name should be restored.

#### 8. INSTALLATION OF STATUES/MEMORIALS :

The Government normally does not install statues. If at all this is done, there should be an organization to initiate such proposals and ready to bear the cost of installation of statues etc. Such organizations are also required to fulfill the following terms and conditions, before the request is considered by the State Names Authority:-



The cost of erecting the statue, the statue, pedestal, transportation and installation should be borne by the organization.

The organization should obtain clearance of the Delhi Urban Arts Commission and Chief Architect, Central PWD regarding the size of the statue, metal used and design of the Pedestal.

- i) It will be the responsibility of the organization to have proper landscaping of the area in consultation with the local authorities i.e. NDMC/MCD.
- ii) The sponsoring organization shall bear the cost of maintenance of the statue and its surroundings.
- iii) The organization will have no claim on land on which it is permitted to install the statue and the ownership of the land will continue to vest in the land owning agency.
- iv) The statue shall be installed in accordance with the site plan to be obtained by the organization from the Chief Architect, CPWD.
- v) As regards, the site for the statues, traffic roundabouts shall normally not be considered.
- vi) Normally sanction for installation of second statue will not be considered. However, if the first statue installed is not easily accessible or prominently visible to the general public, a proposal for installation of a second statue may be considered.
- vii) Every proposal for erecting any kind of statue in Delhi should be accompanied by an NOC from the land owning agency before being considered by the State Names Authority. Final approval in all such cases will be accorded by the Union Ministry of Urban Development.

The Authority may invite any historian, academician or eminent citizen to participate in its discussion.

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GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI  
DEPARTMENT OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
9<sup>TH</sup> LEVEL "C" WING: DELHI SECRETARIAT  
I.P. ESTATE: NEW DELHI

No. F.12/47/2013/S.N.A./ID/ 18454 - 56

Date:- 26/09/13

To,  
The Chairperson  
NDMC  
Palika Kendras, New Delhi

Sub:- Naming of Road/Street as CH. DILSUKH MARG.

Sir,

Reference our letter no. F.12/47/2013/SNA/17974-76, dated-17/09/2013 on the subject cited above. In this regard your kind attention is brought to the excerpts of NDMC Act which reads "The NDMC Act, 1994 under section 11 (q) states that the naming and numbering of streets and premises is an obligatory function of the council. Section 231 (a) provides that 'The Chairperson may with the sanction of the Council determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the council shall be known.' Hence all roads and streets falling in NDMC area may be named as per the rules and guidelines of NDMC, keeping in view the instruction issued by Govt. of India referred to in para 3 above."

You are hereby requested to take action at your end and intimate the undersigned.

Chairperson's Office  
NDMC  
By NO. 3684  
Date: 26/9/13

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Chairperson  
Di (GA)

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Yours faithfully,  
26.9.13  
Dy. Secretary (SNA)

- Copy to :-
1. Pillanji Gram Sudhar Sewak Samiti, P-202, Old Pillanji, Sarojini Nagar, New Delhi-110023
  2. Chief Minister Office, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Secretariat, w.r.t. letter no. CM-PG/VIP/2013/4941. Dated-09/09/2013.

Yours faithfully,  
26.9.13  
Dy. Secretary (SNA)



GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI  
DEPARTMENT OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
9<sup>th</sup> LEVEL, C-WING, DELHI SECTT.  
I.P. ESTATE, NEW DELHI-110 001.

F.NO.: F-12(20)/SNA/UD/2015/D- 38

Dated:- 11/8/2015

ORDER

The Competent Authority of Delhi is pleased to re-constitute the State Names Authority as under:-

1. Deputy Chief Minister
2. Sh. Adarsh Shastri, M.L.A
3. Sh. Saurabh Bhardwaj, M.L.A
4. Ms. Rakhi Bidlan, M.L.A
5. Ms. Bhawna Gaur, M.L.A
6. Chairperson, New Delhi Municipal Council
7. Principal Secretary, Urban Development, N.C.T. of Delhi
8. Commissioner, East D.M.C.
9. Commissioner, South D.M.C.
10. Commissioner, North D.M.C.
11. Special Secretary, UD Deptt. N.C.T of Delhi

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Member Secretary


The functions of the said Committee will be as under:-

- (a) Research and investigation into the names of geographical entities falling wholly within the boundaries of the NCT of Delhi and standardization of their names and spellings in the state language.
- (b) Giving names to new villages /townships & other geographical entities.
- (c) Scrutiny of proposals for alteration of existing names and processing them in accordance with Govt. of India letter no. 130/53-Public dated 11.09.1953. Such proposals for change of names will only be referred to Ministry of Home Affairs.
- (d) Publishing a list of standardized geographic names and ensuring their use by the Govt. agencies and public concerned.
- (e) Acting as a clearing house for information pertaining to geographical names.

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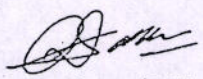


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- f) Transliterating geographical names falling outside the State or Union Territory into the State language according to the system of transliteration approved by Central Govt.
- (g) Co-ordination and co-operation with the adjoining States in Standardization of names.

  
Deputy Secretary (I)  
Govt. of N.C.T of D

Copy forwarded to :-

1. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble CM.
2. Secretary to Hon'ble Dy. CM.
3. All Concerned.
4. Programmer, Urban Development Deptt  
- for uploading on the Official Website.

  
Deputy Secretary  
Govt. of N.C.T of



**ITEM NO. T-04****1. Name of the subject:**

Recommendation for renaming of '**Dalhousie Road**' under the NDMC area as '**Dara Shikoh Road**'

**2. Name of the Department:**

General Administration Department

**3. Proposal on the subject/project:****3.1 Brief History on renaming of roads / streets by NDMC**

3.1.1 To respect the sentiments of people, the need to recognize and honour great men and women of our times, roads/ streets/ institutions have been re-named in the past. Some of these cases are as follows:-

		<b>Council's Decision on</b>
(i) Connaught Circus	Indira Chowk	12.01.1996
(ii) Connaught Place	Rajiv Chowk	12.01.1996
(iii) Canning Road	Madhav Rao Scindia Marg	26.02.2002
(iv) Aurangzeb Road	Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Road	28.08.2015
(v) Race Course Road	Lok Kalyan Marg	21.09.2016

**3.2 Present proposal**

3.2.1 In the instant case, requests has been made to the NDMC by Smt. Meenakashi Lekhi, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Vice Chairman NDMC and members of the Council on 03.02.2017 to rename '**Dalhousie Road**' under the NDMC area as '**Dara Shikoh Road**'. (Annexure- I, page no 6 to 10)

3.2.2 Hon'ble MP has mentioned that the Dara Shikoh, the eldest son of fifth Mughal Emperor Shahjahan, had promoted the peace and concord between the followers of Hinduism and Islam, and has interest in comparative religions, universal brotherhood, humanism and peace. In fact, the library in Delhi named after him is a live example of his desire to acquire more knowledge and his commitment for commissioning of exquisite of Mughal architecture. He was a great patron of fine arts and music, and took his last breath in Delhi. Hon'ble MP has, therefore, requested to rename '**Dalhousie Road**' under the NDMC area as '**Dara Shikoh Road**'.

3.2.3 Similar recommendations have also been received from other members of the Council on 03.02.2017 viz. (i) Shri Karan Singh Tanwar, Vice-Chairperson, NDMC, (ii) Shri Abdul Rasheed Ansari, (iii) Shri B. S. Bhati, and (iv) Smt. Anita Arya, with a request to call a Special Meeting at the earliest, not later than 06.02.2017.



#### 4. Details of previous Council Resolutions, exiting Law of Parliament and Assembly on the subject:

##### 4.1 Statutory Provisions under the NDMC Act, 1994

4.1.1 Section 11 of the New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) Act, 1994 provides for 'Obligatory functions of the Council'. Clause (q) of section 11 provides that:

*"11. Subject to the provisions of this Act and any other law for the time being in force, it shall be incumbent on the Council to make adequate provisions by any means or measures which it may lawfully use or take, for each of the following matters, namely-*

*...*

*(q) the naming and numbering of streets and premises;*

*... "*

4.1.2 NDMC Act, 1994 has provisions regarding 'Naming and numbering of streets and numbering of buildings'. Clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 231 of the Act provides the following:

*"(1) The Chairperson may -*

*(a) with the sanction of the Council determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the Council shall be known;*

*... "*

##### 4.2 NDMC Resolution No. VIII (C-31) dated 13.10.2006

4.2.1 NDMC on 13.10.2006 passed a Resolution on 'Naming-Renaming of roads, streets, parks, installation of statues etc. in NDMC area' (copy placed as **Annexure II: See pages 11 to 15**) which inter-alia provided that:

*(1) Naming and numbering of public streets have to be with the sanction of the Council as per Section 231 (i) (a) of the NDMC Act. The representation for naming should be from a group of persons such as an Association, Manch etc. Any proposal for naming has to be put-up for sanction or rejection of the Council. The name has to be for an unnamed road/street. Subsequently the decision taken by the Council is to be communicated to the State Names Authority (SNA), GNCT of Delhi for their approval. The cases of rejection by the Council may be communicated directly to the concerned organization.*

*(2) The guidelines of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, vide letter No.13022/34/74/Delhi dt.27.09.1975 are to be strictly adhered to with respect to renaming of streets. Any renaming can be considered by the Council only when there are directives from the Govt. of India. The Department shall communicate to the applicants directly as per guidelines of the Govt. of India. Renaming can only be an exception. Recommendations can be given by the Council regarding renaming. Any contrary decision of the Govt. of India shall be brought to the notice of the Council.*



#### 4.3 Guidelines issued by Ministry of Home Affairs dated 27.9.1975

4.3.1 Guidelines issued by Ministry of Home Affairs vide letter No. 13022/34/74-Delhi dated 27.9.1975 (copy placed as **Annexure III: See page 16**) which provides the following:

*"...change in the names of streets / roads etc. not only create confusion for the Post Offices and the public, but also deprive the people of a sense of history. It has been decided that the names of existing streets/ roads etc. should not be changed. Only new streets / roads etc., and such old and such old streets / roads etc., as are in existence without specific names may be named after eminent personalities local, national or international to honour them.*

2 *The local bodies in Delhi may be advised to follow these guidelines henceforth."*

#### 4.4 Guidelines to be followed by State Names Authority, Government of NCT of Delhi

4.4.1 A State Names Authority has been constituted in Delhi by the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor vide Order No. F. No. 13/41/84/UD/3226-3258 dated 07.05.1999 read with Order No. F. No. 13/41/84/UD/14576-14604 dated 09.09.1999. The Jurisdiction of the Authority extends to all roads, streets, parks, colonies and other geographical entities in the National Capital Territory of Delhi except those vested in MCD or NDMC.

4.4.2 Guidelines have been circulated by Department of Urban Development, Government of NCT of Delhi vide Circular No. 12/40/2003/ SNA/UD/4006-34 dated 18.6.2004 (copy placed as **Annexure IV: See pages 17 - 20**) to be followed by State Names Authority, which provided the following regarding renaming of roads/ streets etc.:

##### *"II. RENAMING OF ROADS/STREETS ETC.*

*(i) The names of existing streets, roads etc. should not be changed. Only new streets, roads etc., can be considered for being named after eminent personalities of the local, national or international level in order to honor them.*

*(ii) Names which are a part of history may not be altered."*

4.4.3 The Guidelines dated 1.12.2006 (copy placed as **Annexure V: See pages 21 - 26**) to be followed by State Names Authority provides that:

##### *"4. RENAMING OF ROADS / STREETS ETC.:*

*(iii) The names of existing streets, roads etc. will normally not be changed. Only new streets, roads etc., will be considered for being named after eminent personalities.*

*(iv) Names, which are a part of history, will not be altered.*

*(v) All proposal for re-naming will be referred to Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India in accordance with instructions in letter dated 27.09.1975.*

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##### *6. NDMC ROADS / STREETS*



*The NDMC Act, 1994 under section 11(q) states that the naming and numbering of streets and premises is an obligatory function of the council. Section 231(a) provides that "The Chairperson may with the sanction of the Council determine the name or number by which any street or public place vested in the Council shall be known". Hence all roads and streets falling in NDMC area may be named as per the rules and guidelines of NDMC, keeping in view the instructions issued by Govt. of India referred to in para 3 above." (emphasis added)*

4.4.4 The State Names Authority, Government of NCT of Delhi has issued instructions vide letter No. F-12/47/2013/SNA/UD/18454-56 dated 26.09.2013 that all roads and streets falling in NDMC area may be named as per rules and guidelines of NDMC (**Annexure VI: See page 27**).

4.4.5 The State Names Authority, Government of NCT of Delhi has been re-constituted vide Order no. F-12(20)/SNA/UD/2015/D-38 dated 11.8.2015, a copy of which is placed at **Annexure VII (See pages 28-29)**.

4.5 In view of the above, the Chairman, NDMC after approval of the New Delhi Municipal Council may rename any street / road under the NDMC area as per the provisions of the NDMC Act, 1994.

4.6 The Council vide its resolution item No. 08(T-01) dated 27.06.2016 decided that not many unnamed roads / streets are available in NDMC area, therefore, only request made in this regard, as recommended by the member of the Council may be brought before the Council. As the instant proposal is recommended by Shri Karan Singh Tanwar, Vice Chairperson and Member of the Council, therefore, this agenda item is placed before the Council for its consideration.

**5. Financial implications of the proposed project/subject:**

There are no financial implications, except the expenditure on the change of name in the road sign boards, display boards, etc.

**6. Implementation schedule with timeliness for each stage including internal proceedings**

The decision of the Council will be implemented immediately.

**7. Comments of the Finance Department on the subject:**

Not applicable.

**8. Comment of the Department on comments of Finance Department:**

Not applicable.

**9. Legal Implications of the subject:-**

Not applicable



**10. Comment of the Law Department on the subject:-**

There is no law point involved and as such no comments. However, department may follow the necessary guidelines issued by the Government from time-to-time.

**11. Comments of the Department on the comments of Law Department**

No comments

**12. Certification by the department that all the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) guidelines have been followed while processing the case.**

Not applicable.

**13. Recommendation:**

In view of above, the matter is placed before the Council to consider renaming of '**Dalhousie Road**' under the NDMC area as '**Dara Shikoh Road**' in terms of clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 231 of the New Delhi Municipal Act, 1994. If approved, the decision of the Council will be conveyed to the (i) Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India; (ii) Department of Posts and Telegraph, Government of India; and (iii) Government of NCT of Delhi.