



HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

WRIT - C No. - 7744 of 2026

Ahsan Ali

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State Of U.P. And 2 Others

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s) : Jagdish Prasad Mishra
Counsel for Respondent(s) : C.S.C.

Court No. - 2

**HON'BLE ATUL SREEDHARAN, J.
HON'BLE SIDDHARTH NANDAN, J.**

(Per: Hon'ble Atul Sreedharan, J.)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner, who submits that he is the lawful owner of Plot No. 780, situated in Village Bhopa, Pargana Bhokarheri, Tehsil Jansath, District Muzaffarnagar, which he purchased from Praveen Kumar Jain by way of a duly registered sale deed dated 20th September, 2019.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he has been raising construction of a mosque on the aforesaid property. However, the said property has been sealed by the State authorities on the ground that the construction is illegal and that no prior permission was obtained from the competent authority. It is further submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that no notice or opportunity of hearing was afforded to the petitioner prior to sealing of the premises.
3. Under the circumstances, the petitioner prays that this Court may be pleased to direct the respondent authorities to unseal the said property, permit the petitioner to carry out construction thereon, and allow the use of the premises for offering prayers, in accordance with law.
4. The State has sought time to obtain instructions, specifically on the following points:-
 - (i) As to under what authority of law the State can seal a place of worship.

(ii) Under what provision of law, if any, prior permission with the State is required in matters concerning a place of worship.

(iii) Whether there exists any authority under law to seal a place of worship under construction without issuance of prior notice or affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner.

5. Let specific instructions, supported by an affidavit, be obtained by the State and placed before this Court on the next date of hearing.

6. Put up this case as fresh on 24.03.2026.

March 18, 2026

Vikram

(Siddharth Nandan,J.) (Atul Sreedharan,J.)