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Office of Cooperative Ombudsman
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Dated: 10th March, 2026

Hearing in the matter of Smt. Nupur Sinha Vs. Supreme Court Bar Association Multi State Cooperative Group Housing Society Ltd., New Delhi before the Cooperative Ombudsman

Smt. Nupur Sinha

Complainant

Supreme Court Bar Association Multistate Cooperative
Group Housing Society Ltd., New Delhi

Respondent

ORDER

1. Smt. Nupur Sinha, in her complaint, dated 01st December, 2025 has stated that she had purchased a Flat No.601, Tower-11, Supreme Towers, Sector-99, NOIDA of Supreme Court Bar Association Multi State Cooperative Group Housing Society Ltd., New Delhi on 13th April 2024 in resale from Shri Narendra Kumar Jain. She, vide her application dated 26th April, 2024, submitted to the society requisite documents, including an affidavit of even date and a cheque of Rs.1.00 Lakh as Share Transfer Fee and requested the society to transfer membership, share and flat in her name.
2. The society, vide letter dated 04th July, 2024, denied transfer of the membership in her name on the ground that her husband is already the allottee of Flat No. T-04/0602 in the society and her request is in violation of MSCS Act, 2002.
3. Complainant, vide application dated 26th August, 2024, again requested the society to reconsider its decision dated 04th July, 2024 and allow transfer of Flat No.601, Tower-11, Supreme Towers, Sector-99, Noida, U.P. in her favour.
4. Complainant again requested the society, vide her representation dated 24th October, 2025 to reconsider its earlier decision dated 04th July, 2024 denying transfer of membership, share and flat in her name and contended that her husband was not the original allottee and had purchased the flat in resale and that allotment of all the flats in the society had already been completed way back in 2015. She has also contended that the society has not substantiated, which provision/section/clause of the MSCS Act, 2002 has been violated by her and has asked the society to intimate the same.
5. The society neither acceded to her request nor did it give any reply to her.
6. Office of the Cooperative Ombudsman issued a notice dated 22nd December, 2025 to the respondent society seeking its response to the complaint. A reminder was also issued on 28th January, 2026 to the society.
7. The society in its reply has described the complaint as factually incorrect, legally untenable and misconceived. The society has submitted that as per statutory norms, bye-laws and long-standing practice of the society, every applicant seeking membership or transfer is mandatorily required to submit a sworn affidavit declaring that neither the applicant nor his/her spouse owns any residential flat or house in any cooperative society.



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8. The society, in its reply enclosed an affidavit dated 19th September, 2022 given by the complainant in compliance of aforesaid mandatory requirement, wherein complainant stated that neither she nor her spouse owns or is a member of any cooperative housing society. The society has also attached copies of 'Application Form for Membership dated 06th September, 2022' and 'Registration Form dated 03rd November, 2022' submitted by the complainant to the society stating that neither she nor her spouse owns a land/house/flat in Delhi/Noida/Gurgaon/Ghaziabad/ Faridabad/Rajasthan. However, upon verification of society's records, it was found that her husband, Shri Veerendra Kumar Sinha, is already an allottee and owner of Flat No. T-04/0602, Supreme Towers, Sector-99, Noida.
9. The society in its reply further informed that the Board of Directors of the society in its meeting dated 05th June, 2024 unanimously resolved not to permit the transfer on ground of ownership of a flat by her spouse and submission of affidavit contrary to the factual position and eligibility norms prescribed under law. The society, vide letter dated 04th July, 2024, conveyed the decision to the complainant.
10. The society has stated that it placed the representation dated 26th August, 2024 of Smt. Nupur Sinha before its Board of Directors in their meeting dated 02nd December, 2024, wherein the board resolved to seek an independent legal opinion from Shri Arjit Prasad, Senior Advocate.
11. The society has further stated that the transferor of the flat has submitted a written application dated 26th September, 2025 to the society requesting it to close the matter as efforts of Smt. Nupur Sinha before various authorities have not been successful.
12. The society has also submitted that fresh representation dated 24th October, 2025 of the complainant was considered in the Board Meeting held on 28th October, 2025 and it was resolved that the Transfer Application Committee shall examine and verify the entire case file, including prior decisions and withdrawal by the transferor and shall submit its report to the Board for further consideration.
13. The society has sought dismissal of the complaint citing eligibility norms, correctness of affidavits and avoidance of multiple allotments within the same family unit as also withdrawal of transfer application by the transferor.
14. In response to further clarification sought by the office of the Cooperative Ombudsman, the society informed vide reply dated 02nd March, 2026 that Flat No.4/602 in the society was transferred in the name of complainant's husband on 08th February, 2021.
15. On perusal of the facts and available record, following aspects emerge:
 - a) Complainant has through various applications requested the society to transfer membership of Flat No.601, Tower-11, Supreme Towers, Sector-99, NOIDA in her name.
 - b) The society has rejected the same on the ground that her husband is already owner of a flat in the society.
 - c) The society has further contended that the complainant has misrepresented regarding ownership of a flat by the spouse at the time of seeking membership of the society.
 - d) The bye laws of the society states that an applicant has to give a declaration that the applicant is not a member of any other similar cooperative society [11 (c)]. There is no mention of spouse in the bye laws.



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- e) The Board of Directors of the society in its various meetings took up the complainant's request, but no final decision seems to have been taken. In the Board meeting dated 02nd December, 2024, it was decided to seek an independent legal opinion from a Senior Advocate. Further, in the Board meeting dated 28th October, 2025 it was decided that the Transfer Application Committee shall examine and verify the entire case file, including prior decisions and withdrawal by the transferor and submit its report to the Board for further consideration.
- f) The society in its reply to this office has not informed about any follow up action taken by the Board on these decisions.
16. After due consideration of the representations made, documents submitted and the relevant provisions of law, the matter is hereby disposed off as under:
- (i) Board of Directors of the society, in their meeting dated 02nd December, 2024 has resolved to seek an independent legal opinion from a Senior Advocate. Further, in the Board meeting dated 28th October, 2025 it was decided that the Transfer Application Committee shall examine and verify the entire case file, including prior decisions and withdrawal by the transferor and submit its report to the Board for further consideration.
- (ii) Accordingly, Supreme Court Bar Association Multistate Cooperative Group Housing Society Ltd., New Delhi is hereby directed to take up the matter as decided in its board meeting dated 28th October, 2025 and decide the application of Smt. Nupur Sinha by a speaking order within 45 days from the date of issue of this order.
- (iii) Compliance report to be submitted immediately thereafter.




(Alok Agarwal)
Cooperative Ombudsman

Complainant:

Smt. Nupur Sinha, Tower No.11, Flat No.601, Supreme Towers, Sector-99, NOIDA, Gautam Buh Nagar, U.P.-201 304

Respondent:

Chairman, Supreme Court Bar Association Multi State Cooperative Group Housing Society Ltd., M.C. Setalvad New Lawyer's Chambers, Arbitration Room No.17, Bhagwan Das Road, New Delhi – 110 001

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