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## **Elderly couple thrown out; HC notice to police, errant son**

NEW DELHI: The Delhi High Court on Tuesday issued notices to the city Police Commissioner and others on the plea of an elderly couple who is forced to live in a park after being allegedly thrown out from their house here by their son and his wife.

"Issue notice to the Police Commissioner and other respondents (including son Mukesh Sharma and daughter-in-law Alpana)," Justice Ajit Bharihoke said.

The court was hearing a petition filed by Ram Kishan Sharma, 69, and his spouse Pushpa, 65, who have allegedly been dispossessed of their self-acquired flat at Nehru Vihar area in North Delhi on October 3.

Seeking protection from their son Mukesh, the couple, in the petition, said the police be directed to take punitive action against their son who had also been allegedly disowned by them way back in the year 2000.

"The petitioners are forced to live under the sky in the Central Park at Nehru Vihar after the incident," the plea, filed through advocate Banmali Shukla, said, adding that they be given back their flat.

The court has sought responses from the police and others and fixed the matter for further hearing on October 29.

The petition has sought to invoke the provisions of the Constitution and the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act.

The couple, who had bought a house in 1987 at Nehru Vihar here, was living on the second floor.

The families of their two sons were living on first and third floor of the house, the petition said.

Mukesh Sharma, the third son of the couple, and his wife have dispossessed them of the flat after assaulting them, the petition alleged.