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F.NRC/NCTE/HP-209/221st meeting/2013/188581-586

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Withdrawal Order

WHEREAS, in terms of section 17(1) of the NCTE Act, 1993, Thakur Pre-Examination Coaching Cum Training Institute (Society), Neharn Pukhar, Tehsil-Dehra, Distt. Kangra, Himachal Pradesh had submitted an application to the Northern Regional Committee of NCTE for grant of recognition for seeking permission to the Thakur College of Education, VPO-Dhaliara, Tehsil-Dehra, Distt. Kangra-177103, Himachal Pradesh for B.Ed. course of one year duration in terms of section 14 on 09.04.2007. The institution was granted recognition to the B.Ed. Course with an annual intake of 100 seats (One Hundred Only) vide order No. F.NRC/NCTE/F-7/HP-209/2007/23594-600, dated 07.08.2007.

AND WHEREAS, a complaint dated 14.06.2010 received from Shri Ved Prakash Ahluwalia, Dehragopipur, Distt. Kangra, Himachal Pradesh in the NRC office on 18.06.2010.

AND WHEREAS, as per the decision of 176th NRC meeting held from January 07th to 11th, 2011, the Committee observed that Prima facie it appears that recognition to so many courses has been obtained in violation of the NCTE Regulations by the concerned institution either by misrepresentation of facts or by submitting false documents. As such, a comprehensive inspection of the institution be conducted under section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 so as to verify all facts/documents in respect of each of the recognized teacher education courses in the institution and whether the institution is conducting all the courses in accordance with NCTE Regulations & Norms. The inspection team may also comprise of a senior official of the NCTE, so as to establish whether this was done in connivance with any official/officials of NRC.

AND WHEREAS, the inspection of the institution was conducted under section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 on 19.02.2011.

AND WHEREAS, letters dated 09.04.2012 and 11.04.2012 received from Shri M.K. Puri, Dy. Supdt. Of Police, CBI, Branch Shimla at Jaipur in the NRC office in compliance of order dated 09.08.2011 of the Hon'ble High Court of Himachal Pradesh at Shimla passed in CWP No. 6454 of 2010 with CWP No. 6453 of 2010, CBI enquiry is in progress in respect of recognition of all private educational institutions, situated in the State of Himachal Pradesh, which were granted No objection/Clearance/recognition from the NCTE, NRC, NCVT, AICTE and other such agencies.

AND WHEREAS, the case was considered by the NRC in its 200th meeting held from June 20th to 24th, 2012 and the Committee decided that show cause notice under section 17 of NCTE Act, 1993 be issued to the institution. Accordingly, a show cause notice was issued to the institution vide letter No. F.NRC/NCTE/HP-209/25607 dated 10.07.2012 on the following points:-

- Size of multipurpose hall as per VTR is only 1600 sq. feet against 2000 sq. feet as per the norms of NCTE.
- There is no approval of university for the teaching faculty appointed for B.Ed and M.Ed. courses as required under NCTE Regulations.

AND WHEREAS, the reply dated 27.07.2012 submitted by the institution in response to the show cause notice was considered by the NRC in its 207th meeting held from November 27th to 30th, 2012 and the Committee decided to seek clarification from the institution. Accordingly, a clarification letter was issued to the institution on 12.12.2012 on the following point:-

- The replies of the institution to the show cause notice issued by NRC on 10.07.2012 were considered by the committee and it was decided to seek further clarification from the institution with regard to the approval of the teaching faculty by the affiliating University. Institution be directed to submit the approval of the university within 21 days.

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AND WHEREAS, reply dated 27.12.2012 submitted by the institution in the NRC office on 08.02.2013 in response to the clarification letter was considered by the NRC in its 214th meeting held from April 24th to 25th, 2013 and it was decided that show cause notice under section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 be issued to the institution. Accordingly, a show cause notice was issued to the institution on 31.05.2013 on the following points:-

- The letter of the institution 12.03.2013 was considered.
- The institution is directed to submit the list of faculty members duly approved by the competent authority within one month of the issue of the letter.

AND WHEREAS, the institution submitted its reply dated 22.06.2013 in the NRC office on 28.06.2013 in response to the show cause notice.

AND WHEREAS, A letter dated 23.09.2013 submitted by the Supdt. Of Police, CBI Shimla in the NRC office on 27.09.2013 wherein the CBI requested the following:-

"The CBI, ACB, Shimla had registered the subject case on 08/03/2011 against NCTE officials and other private persons. During investigation, it was found that Shri Rajesh Thakur had submitted false and fake documents to NCTE Jaipur with respect to the teaching faculty of Thakur College of Education, Dhaliara, Dist. Kangra, HP to induce NCTE officials to grant recognition for additional 100 seats of B.Ed. and 25 seats in M.Ed. courses. After investigation, a chargesheet u/s 120-B/w420, 467,478 & 471 IPC was filed in the Court of Special Magistrate Shimla against Sh. Rajesh Thakur and other private persons. The detailed CBI report is annexed alongwith for ready reference.

In light of the facts disclosed during investigation, it is recommended that the recognition granted by NCTE for the above mentioned educational courses may kindly be cancelled.

AND WHEREAS, the matter was placed before the NRC in its 221st Meeting held on November 15th to 17th, 2013 and the Committee decided **that the recognition of B.Ed. course be withdrawn under section 17 of NCTE Act, 1993 on the following points:-**

- A letter dated 23.09.2013 from CBI, Shimla investigation by CBI has revealed the following :-
 - Selection Committee was never formed by the State Govt. / University for the date 20.02.2008. Shri Nirmal Jhaben shown as one of the member of the said Committee and proved that his Signature appearing on this list have been forged.
 - Educational Certificates of Teaching Staff submitted to VT at the time of inspection on 4 & 5 April – 2008 have been proved to be fake and forged.
 - Affidavits submitted to VT are also fake and forged.
 - The teaching staff in whose names the affidavit have been shown have denied no have signed the same.
 - TDR dated 31.03.2008 for Rs. 7 lacs was a fake document in which the date had been altered.
 - Photocopy of an FDR submitted to VT on 28.06.2007 had been pre-maturely encashed and used by Rajesh Jhaben on 18.04.2007.
 - FDR bearing Sr. No. 315377 for Rs. 10 lacs was also prematurely withdrawn and used by Rajesh Jhaben on 12.05.2008.
 - Photocopies of forged TDRs were used to get recognition for B.Ed. course.
 - Affidavit submitted by wife of Rajesh Jhaben on 19.02.2011 contained wrong information about the teaching staff working in the said college.
 - Rajesh Jhaben submitted false affidavit in the name of Teaching Staff containing wrong information's.
 - Rajesh Jhaben used forged documents in getting NCTE Regulation to run additional B.Ed. course in his college.

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers vested under section 17(1) of the NCTE Act, the Northern Regional Committee of NCTE hereby withdraws the recognition granted to **Thakur College of Education, VPO-Dhaliara, Tehsil-Dehra, Distt. Kangra-177103, Himachal Pradesh** for 100 seats in the B.Ed. Course on the grounds mentioned above with effect from the end of the academic session next following the date of communication of this order.

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If the institution is not satisfied by the above order they can prefer an appeal to the Council (NCTE, New Delhi) on-line in terms of section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993 within 60 days from the date of this order. The guidelines of appeal may be seen on NCTE's website.

By orders,

(Dr. Ram Kishor)
Regional Director

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Copy to:

1. The Manager/Secretary, Thakur Pre-Examination Coaching Cum Training Institute (Society), Neharn Pukhar, Tehsil-Dehra, Distt. Kangra, Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Principal/Correspondent, Thakur College of Education, VPO-Dhaliara, Tehsil-Dehra, Distt. Kangra-177103, Himachal Pradesh.
3. The Registrar, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hills, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.
4. The Secretary, Dept. of Elementary Education and Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan New Delhi- 110001,
5. The US (EDP), National Council for Teacher Education, Hans Bhawan, Wing-II, Bhadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002.
6. Institution file.
7. M/S File-MIS, NRC Jaipur.
8. Office order file.

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