



एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)  
जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)  
G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/  
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT  
89-20/E-395407/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026  
APPLERC202615492 / E- 89493

Dimoria College (Autonomous), Plot No. Dag No. - 950/951/952/187, Khetri, Helagog, Dimoria College Road, Sonapur, Kamrup, Assam – 782403	<b>Vs</b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	The Representative
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	18.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL**

The appeal of **Dimoria College (Autonomous), Plot No. Dag No. - 950/951/952/187, Khetri, Helagog, Dimoria College Road, Sonapur, Kamrup, Assam - 782403** dated 01.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / ERC / 2526202404242280 / ASSAM / 2024 / REJC / 674** dated 05.11.2025 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “1. The institution has not appointed faculty of History and Economics for B.A. B.Ed. one unit. The institution has not appointed teaching faculty in Mathematics, Communicative skills in English and one educational studies. 2. The institution has not appointed part time faculty for Career Guidance and Art Education.”

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

The Representative of **Dimoria College (Autonomous), Plot No. Dag No. - 950/951/952/187, Khetri, Helagog, Dimoria College Road, Sonapur, Kamrup, Assam - 782403** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 18.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “The institution has not found eligible candidates in its first advertisement dated 16.08.2025.” The appellant institution also that its proposal to introduce the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) was refused on the grounds of (i) non-appointment of faculty in History and Economics for B.A. B.Ed., and in Mathematics, Communicative Skill in English, and Educational Studies for B.Sc. B.Ed., and (ii) non-appointment of part-time faculty for Career Guidance and Art Education. The appellant submitted that due process for recruitment of faculty for the ITEP programme had been followed; however, owing to non-availability of qualified candidates for the said posts at the relevant time, appointments could not be made. It was further submitted that fresh advertisements have been issued to fill the deficit posts and that the required faculty have now been appointed following proper selection procedure. Relevant documents, including staff particulars and recommendations of the Selection Committee, have been enclosed. The appellant also submitted that the institution is situated in a rural and tribal-dominated area and that introduction of the ITEP

programme would benefit students from socio-economically backward sections. The institution requested reconsideration of its proposal in light of the compliance now reported and prayed for grant of approval for the ITEP programme.

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

**The Appeal Committee in its 3rd Meeting, 2026 held online on 18th February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Eastern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 06.05.2024. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the ERC vide order dated 05.11.2025.

The instant matter placed in its 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 12.01.2026 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 29.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee in order to consider the case of the Appellant Institution on merits, decided to grant Opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the direction to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter was placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 18.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by the Appellant Institution. The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution submitted that its proposal for introduction of the ITEP programme was refused on the grounds of non-appointment of faculty in History and Economics (for B.A. B.Ed.), Mathematics, Communicative Skill in English, and Educational Studies (for B.Sc. B.Ed.), as well as non-appointment of part-time faculty for Career Guidance and Art Education. The appellant contended that recruitment process had been duly initiated; however, due to non-availability of qualified candidates at the relevant time, certain posts could not be filled. It was submitted that fresh advertisements were subsequently issued and the requisite faculty have now been appointed following due selection procedure. Relevant documents, including staff details

and Selection Committee recommendations, have been enclosed. The appellant further submitted that the institution is located in a rural and tribal-dominated area and that introduction of the ITEP programme would benefit students from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds. The institution requested reconsideration of its proposal in light of the reported compliance and prayed for grant of approval for the ITEP programme.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the ERC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 05.11.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

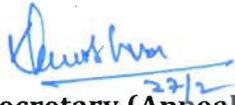
Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 05.11.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee. The Eastern

Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 05.11.2025 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

Appeal ID: APPLERC/2025/15492

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1. **The Principal, Dimoria College (Autonomous), Plot No. Dag No. - 950/951/952/187, Khetri, Helagog, Dimoria College Road, Sonapur, Kamrup, Assam - 782403.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Govt. of Assam, Assam Secretariat, Block 'C', 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Secretariat Road, Dispur, Guwahati, Assam-781006.



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APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-19/E-395198/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026

APPLERC202615494 /E- 89493

Gangadhar Meher University, Plot No. 59, School of Education, Fatak, Budharaja, Sambalpur Sadar, Odisha – 82740	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Prof. Partha Sarathi Mallik, Coordinator
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	18.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Gangadhar Meher University, Plot No. 59, School of Education, Fatak, Budharaja, Sambalpur Sadar, Odisha - 82740** dated 31.12.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / ERC / 2526202402211532 / ODISHA / 2024 / REJC / 532** dated 05.11.2025 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The institution has appointed HoD namely Dr. Partha Sarathi Malik who is not qualified as per NCTE Regulation."

### II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

**Prof. Partha Sarathi Mallik, Coordinator of Gangadhar Meher University, Plot No. 59, School of Education, Fatak, Budharaja, Sambalpur Sadar, Odisha - 82740** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 18.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "The GM University has appointed Dr. Pradeep Kumar Tiwari as Associate Professor who has the qualification MA in sociology, M.Ed., and PhD in education with 10 years of teaching experience. Therefore, he has now been appointed as the hod of the ITEP programme. All the faculties have been appointed as per the NCTE norms."

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

**The Appeal Committee in its 3rd Meeting, 2026 held online on 18th February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Eastern Regional Committee seeking grant of recognition for running the ITEP programme on 27.02.2024. The recognition of the institution for the ITEP programme was refused by the Eastern Regional Committee vide order dated 05.11.2025.

The instant matter placed in its 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 12.01.2026 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 29.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the direction to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 18.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Committee noted the submission of the appellant institution that Dr. Pradeep Kumar Tiwari, possessing the qualifications of M.A. (Sociology), M.Ed., Ph.D. (Education), and having more than ten years of teaching experience, has been appointed as Associate Professor and designated as Head of the ITEP programme. It was further submitted that all faculty appointments have been made in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the ERC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 05.11.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 05.11.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee. The Eastern Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 05.11.2025 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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4. The Education Secretary, Department of School & Mass Education, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar 751 017.



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**89-21/E-395403/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**  
**APPLWRC202615501/E-89493**

Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya Athner, Khasra No. 683/5, 683/6, 599/14, Athner, Multai Road, Betul, Madhya Pradesh – 460110	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Mr. Anand Kumar Rathee, Director
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	18.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUNDS OF MINUTES

The appeal of **Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya Athner, Khasra No. 683/5, 683/6, 599/14, Athner, Multai Road, Betul, Madhya Pradesh - 460110** dated 07.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / WRC / 2627202509233110 / MADHYA PRADESH / 2025 / REJC / 25** dated 28.01.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “1. The institution has mentioned ‘No’ in the column of Multi-Disciplinary Programme(s) of the online Transition Application portal. 2. The institution is not running multi-disciplinary courses in the field of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce or mathematics as per Regulation No.NCTERegI011/80/2018- MS(Regulation)-HQ dated 26.10.2021 as amended from time to time and NCTE Public Notice No.NCTE-RegI012/7/2025-Reg. Sec-HQ dated 12.09.2025 related with extension of timeline to existing recognized teacher education institutions for transition from B.A. B.Ed./ B.Sc. B.Ed. Programme to ITEP before the start of academic session 2026-27. The institution does not fall in the category of multi-disciplinary institution.”

### II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

**Mr. Anand Kumar Rathee, Director of Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya Athner, Khasra No. 683/5, 683/6, 599/14, Athner, Multai Road, Betul, Madhya Pradesh - 460110** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 18.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “1. Appeal against WRC its 440 meeting held on 10-13 Nov. 2025 The institution namely Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya Athner Dist. Betul M.P. had applied for transition application for B.A. B.Ed. /B.Sc. B.Ed. to ITEP Programme. The WRC in its 440 meeting held on 10-13 Nov 2025 reject the application without giving reasonable opportunity of making representation against the proposed order has been given to the institution on the following grounds. 2. The institution has mentioned ‘No’ in the column of Multi-Disciplinary Programme(s) of the online Transition Application portal. (ii) The institution

is not running multi-disciplinary courses in the field of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce or mathematics as per Regulation No.NCTERegl011/ 80/2018-MS(Regulation)-HQ dated 26.10.2021 as amended from time to time and NCTE Public Notice No.NCTE-Regl012/7/2025-Reg. Sec-HQ dated 12.09.2025 related with extension of timeline to existing recognized teacher education institutions for transition from B.A. B.Ed./ B.Sc. B.Ed. Programme to ITEP before the start of academic session 2026-27. The institution does not fall in the category of multi-disciplinary institution. 3. As per NCTE act 1993 Para 17 (1), where the regional committee is, on its own motion or on any representation received from any person satisfied that a recognized institution has contravened any of the provision of this act or the rules regulations orders made or issued. There under or any condition subject to with recognition under sub section (3) of section 14 or Permission under sub section (3) of section 15 was granted, It may with draw recognition of such recognizer institution, For reasons to be recorded in writing. Provided that no such order against the recognized institution shall be passed unless a reasonable opportunity of making representation against the proposed order has been given to such recognized institution. 4. It is stated that the Institute namely Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya Athner Dist. Betul M.P. is multi-disciplinary Institution in advert mention no. in column of multi-disciplinary program of the online transition application portal. 5. The institution namely Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya Athner, dist. Betul Madhya Pradesh, is running multidisciplinary courses in the field of liberal Arts/Humanities, Social Sciences, Commerce, and Mathematics. in this regard the institution has It is authorized to offer the following courses: (1) B.A. – Political Science, Sociology, Economics, Geography (2) B.Sc. – Botany, Zoology, Chemistry, Biotechnology, Physics, Mathematics, Microbiology (3) M.Sc. – Botany, Zoology, Chemistry (4) M.A. – Geography and English. 6. The above-mentioned courses are permanent affiliated by Barakatullah University Bhopal M.P. The other courses (1) M.Com. – Account (2) B.Sc. – Seed Technology (3) B.Com. with all compulsory subject with computer application are temporary affiliation so the institution namely Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya is offering several multi-disciplinary courses.”

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 3rd Meeting, 2026 held online on 18th February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Western Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 05.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 28.01.2026.

The instant matter placed in its 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting, 2025 held on 12.01.2026 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, 2025 held on 29.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the direction to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 18.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution, which contended that the rejection of its transition application from B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. to the ITEP programme by the Western Regional Committee was made without affording a reasonable opportunity of representation, contrary to the proviso to Section 17(1) of the NCTE Act, 1993. The appellant submitted that the rejection was based on the observation that the institution had indicated "No" against the column relating to multidisciplinary programmes in the online transition application and was, therefore, treated as not falling within the category of a multidisciplinary institution. The appellant clarified that the said entry was inadvertent and that, in fact, the institution is a multidisciplinary institution offering undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce, and mathematics. It was further stated that the institution is permanently affiliated with Barkatullah University, Bhopal, for several programmes, including B.A., B.Sc., M.A., and M.Sc., and also holds temporary affiliation for additional programmes such as M.Com.,

B.Sc. (Seed Technology), and B.Com. with Computer Applications. On this basis, the appellant contended that it satisfies the criteria prescribed under the relevant NCTE Regulations and Public Notices for being treated as a multidisciplinary institution eligible for transition to the ITEP programme.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the WRC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 13.11.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 13.11.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee. The Western

Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 13.11.2025 and remand back the case to WRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the WRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

Appeal ID: APPLWRC202615501

**Copy to :-**

1. **The Principal, Pandit Dwarikadas Mahavidyalaya Athner, Khasra No. 683/5, 683/6, 599/14, Athner, Multai Road, Betul, Madhya Pradesh - 460110.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher Education, 2nd floor, Annex-3, Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462004.



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)  
जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)**  
**G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075**

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

**एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/**  
**APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**  
**89-41/E-396927/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**  
**APPLERC202615498 /E-89493**

DAV College of Teacher Education, Khata No. 112, Plot No. 445, At - Ashok Nagar, Kumbha -II, Koraput, Odisha – 764020	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Smt. Jharana Sahu, Principal (I/C)
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	18.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUND OF WITHDRAWAL**

The appeal of **DAV College of Teacher Education, Khata No. 112, Plot No. 445, At - Ashok Nagar, Kumbha -II, Koraput, Odisha - 764020** dated 05.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. ER-374.16 / NCTE / APP1865 / B.Ed. / OD / 2025 / 72199-72200** dated 06.11.2025 of the Eastern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. Course on the grounds that "1. The institution has appointed teaching faculty namely at Sr. 15. Sr Pradeep Sabar, Sr. No. 16. Sri Dolamani Kumbhar, Sr. No. 17. Dr. Rakhee Nayak, Sr. No. 18. Dr. Purna Chandra Tanti, Sr. No. 20. Smt. Sashmita Nayak and Sr. No. 21. Dr. Dillip Kumar Dalai are found not qualified due to not having M.Ed. degree as per requirement of NCTE Regulation, 2014. 2. The institution has not appointed the faculty in performing arts (Music/Dance/Theatre) as per requirement of the NCTE Regulations, 2014."

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

**Smt. Jharana Sahu, Principal (I/C) of DAV College of Teacher Education, Khata No. 112, Plot No. 445, At - Ashok Nagar, Kumbha -II, Koraput, Odisha - 764020** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 18.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "The institution has the required number of faculty members with the requisite qualifications, including med degree, as per the NCTE 2014 Norms. (The details of the current approved faculty list, as per the requirements, are attached here.) The institution has appointed the faculty in performing arts as per the NCTE Norms 2014."

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3rd Meeting, 2026 held online on 18th February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for conducting B.Ed. course of one year duration with an annual intake of 20

students from the academic session 2014-2015 vide order dated 24.04.2014 followed by Revised Recognition for B.Ed. programme of two years duration with an annual intake of 100 students (two basic units) from the academic session 2015-2016 vide order dated 31.05.2015. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the ERC vide order dated 24.12.2020. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. course was withdrawn by ERC vide order dated 05.08.2019. Aggrieved by the withdrawal of ERC, the institution preferred an appeal to NCTe-Hqrs., and the Appellate Authority remanded back the case to ERC vide order dated 27.02.2024. The recognition of the Appellant Institution was again withdrawn vide order dated 06.11.2025.

The instant matter was placed in its 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 29.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another (second) opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the direction to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter was placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 18.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution, in its appeal and during the hearing, submitted that it has appointed the requisite number of faculty members possessing the prescribed qualifications, including M.Ed. degree holders, in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014. The institution further stated that the current faculty list, duly prepared as per the applicable norms, has been placed on record. The appellant institution also submitted that faculty in Performing Arts has been appointed in compliance with the requirements stipulated under the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the withdrawal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial

part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the ERC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 06.11.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasised that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

The Appeal Committee also took note of the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 4382/2021 dated 08.04.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner.”***

The Appeal Committee further noted the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 7260/2021 dated 30.07.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed.”***

Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, having regard to the above judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the case, the Appeal Committee is of the considered view that the impugned order dated 06.11.2025 warrants interference to the limited extent that subsequent material placed on record by the appellant institution has not been subjected to verification and consideration by the competent Regional Committee. The Committee is further of the view that the ends of justice would be met by remanding the matter for limited factual verification and regulatory scrutiny, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims. Accordingly, without diluting the statutory authority of the Eastern Regional Committee and without creating any equity in favour of the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee decided to set aside the impugned withdrawal order dated 06.11.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh factual verification and regulatory reassessment. The Eastern Regional Committee is directed to re-examine the case of the appellant institution afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted, afford reasonable opportunity of hearing to the institution, and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the guidelines issued by the Council from time to time, within the prescribed timeframe. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined only to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish full compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with law. The concerned Regional Committee, being the custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and all connected records before passing any consequential order. It shall also ensure time bound disposal of the case and passing the order after verifying the documents presented in the Appeal in a time bound manner for which the responsibility shall be of Regional Committee only. The appellant institution is directed to forward all documents relied upon in the appeal to the Eastern Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order.

**IV. DECISION: -**

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 06.11.2025 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

**Copy to :-**

1. The Principal, DAV College of Teacher Education, Khata No. 112, Plot No. 445, At - Ashok Nagar, Kumbha -II, Koraput, Odisha - 764020.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of School & Mass Education, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar 751 017.



एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/  
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT  
89-45/E-396942/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026  
APPLNRC202515475/E-89493

Rayat College of Physical Education, Khasra No. - 124, Village Raimajra, Tehsil Balachaur, Ropar Jalandhar Road, Nawanshahr, Punjab – 144533 अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT	<b>Vs</b>	Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075 प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT
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अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Dr. Rajinder Kaur Gill, Associate Prof.
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	18.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUND OF WITHDRAWAL**

The appeal of **Rayat College of Physical Education, Khasra No. - 124, Village Railmajra, Tehsil Balachaur, Ropar Jalandhar Road, Nawanshahr, Punjab - 144533** dated 23.12.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. NCTE / 2025 / NRC / PAR / ORDER / PB-288/** dated 20.05.2025 of the Northern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.P.Ed. Course on the grounds that "The institution has not submitted any reply to the show cause notice."

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

**Dr. Rajinder Kaur Gill, Associate Prof. of Rayat College of Physical Education, Khasra No. - 124, Village Railmajra, Tehsil Balachaur, Ropar Jalandhar Road, Nawanshahr, Punjab - 144533** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 18.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "Due to non-availability of students."

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3rd Meeting, 2026 held online on 18th February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for the B.P.Ed. course of two years' duration with an annual intake of 50 students. The recognition of the institution was withdrawn by the NRC vide order dated 20.05.2025 on the ground that the reply/justification submitted by the institution to the Show Cause Notice for non-submission of Performance Appraisal Reports (PARs) was not found acceptable. The case relates to the non-submission of PARs for the academic sessions 2021–2022 and 2022–2023. The last date for submission of PARs was initially fixed as 10.11.2024 and was subsequently extended up to 31.12.2024 through Public Notices.

The instant matter placed in its 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 12.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee in order to consider the case of the Appellant Institution on merits, decided to grant another (second) opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the direction to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 18.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submission of the appellant institution that the relevant deficiency arose due to non-availability of students during the concerned academic period.

The Committee thereafter took note of the binding decision of the General Body of NCTE adopted in its 68<sup>th</sup> (Emergent) Meeting held on 25.11.2025, which is reproduced below verbatim:

### ***“3. DECISION OF THE COUNCIL***

***3.1 In modification of the scope of the decision taken in the 67th General Body Meeting and to ensure procedural fairness, the General Body, after detailed deliberation, unanimously RESOLVED as follows:***

***(A) Approval of Final Opportunity:***

***The Council approves the reopening of the online PAR portal for a final, one-time opportunity for all TEIs to submit PAR for the Academic Sessions 2021-22 and 2022-23.***

***(B) Scope of Submission:***

***The opportunity is structured as follows:***

- TEIs Recognized up to Academic Session 2021-22: Must submit PAR for both 2021-22 and 2022-23.***
- TEIs Recognized in Academic Session 2022-23: Must submit PAR for 2022-23 only.***
- TEIs Recognized in/after 2023-24: Are not required to submit PAR for this specific cycle.***

(C) **Stipulation of Consequence:**

***The Council reiterates that the submission of PAR is mandatory for the continuation of recognition. It is also categorically clarified that any TEI that fails to submit the PAR within this final stipulated window shall be liable for appropriate action being instituted against it in terms of Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 for withdrawal of its recognition.***

(D) **Mechanism for Withdrawn TEIs:**

***Access to the PAR portal shall remain restricted to TEIs whose recognition status is 'Active' or 'under judicial stay'.***

- ***The Council notes that the status of 'Withdrawn' recognition, once finalized, creates a jurisdictional bar (functus officio) that prevents the Regional Committee from unilaterally reopening the matter.***
- ***For TEIs whose recognition currently stands 'Withdrawn' on account of non-submission of PAR till 31.12.2024 and who have not approached any court; the onus is on the institution to demonstrate its operational intent. To avail of this final opportunity, such TEIs must first obtain an order of restoration or stay from a competent legal authority (i.e., the Hon'ble High Court or the NCTE Appellate Committee u/s 18) before the closing date of the portal window."***

The Committee also took note of the judicial pronouncements of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, including *Rambha College of Education v. NCTE* [W.P. (C) 3231/2016, judgment dated 23.02.2017], as well as orders dated 08.04.2021 in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 and 30.07.2021 in W.P. (C) 7260/2021, which mandate that subsequent documents submitted in the appeal must be considered.

Appeal Committee further noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 08.04.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 has observed as follows: -

***"Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner."***

Appeal Committee noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 30.07.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 7260/2021 has observed as follows: -

***“Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed.”***

The Appeal Committee, noting the above directives and the binding resolution of the General Body, finds that although the appellant institution was indeed deficient for failing to submit the PARs within the prescribed timelines, it nevertheless falls within the category of institutions permitted to avail the final, one-time opportunity for PAR submission, subject strictly to fulfilment of the conditions stipulated by the General Body. Accordingly, the appeal warrants disposal by way of remand, solely to give effect to the Council's binding decision and to ensure procedural fairness.

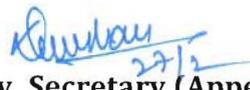
Noting the submissions and oral arguments advanced during the hearing, and guided by the binding resolution of the General Body of the NCTE adopted in its 68th (Emergent) Meeting held on 25.11.2025, the Appeal Committee hereby remands the matter to the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) with a specific direction that the appellant institutions shall be permitted to apply afresh and re-submit duly completed PARs upon reopening of the PAR Portal, in accordance with the General Body's mandate. The concerned Regional Committees shall assume complete and undiluted responsibility for ensuring strict compliance with the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE Regulations, 2014, the General Body decision dated 25.11.2025, all applicable SOPs, and relevant Public Notices. The concerned Regional Committee, being the custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and all connected records before passing any consequential order. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the NRC, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order,

all documents submitted before the Appeal Committee, whereupon the NRC shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and in conformity with the directions set out herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 20.05.2025 and remand back the case to NRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the NRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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3. Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Govt. of Punjab, Vidya Bhawan, Block E, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Phase-VIII, SAS Nagar (Mohali)-Punjab-160062.



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दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

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**APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**  
**89-70/E-398731/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**  
**APPLNRC202615524/E-89493**

S D Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 744 to 750, Old Court Road, Narwana, Jind, Haryana – 126116	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

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प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	18.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL**

The appeal of **S D Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 744 to 750, Old Court Road, Narwana, Jind, Haryana - 126116** dated 22.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / NRC / 2627202505104126 / HARYANA / 2025 / REJC / 1843** dated 27.11.2025 of the Northern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The institution has not paid the processing fee as per the NCTE Rules 1997 as amended from time to time. Fire Safety Certificate issued by Competent Govt. Authority is not uploaded. The institution was required to submit the Exemption Certificate (12A) issued by the Income Tax Department; however, the institution has uploaded the form 10 AC. The certificate for "Not-for-Profit" issued by the Income Tax Department is not uploaded. The Certificate uploaded is issued by the institution itself, which is not acceptable. The land documents uploaded by the institution are in the name of Sanatan Dharm Kanya Mahavidyalaya whereas the name of the institution mentioned in the online application form is SD Mahila Mahavidyalaya. The Non-Encumbrance Certificate issued by the Competent Govt. Authority is not uploaded by the institution. The institution has uploaded a building plan which is not approved by the Competent Govt. Authority. As per the building plan, the same is in the name of S D Mahila (PG) Mahavidyalaya. Earmarked area for each course being offered in the same premises along with the approval letter issued by Competent Govt. Authority and earmarked built-up area for the proposed course is not depicted in the building plan. The institution has uploaded an Affidavit on Rs.100/- nonjudicial stamp paper regarding land and built-up area, however, the same is not in the prescribed format of NCTE. The Building Completion Certificate (BCC) uploaded by the institution is neither in the prescribed format of NCTE nor approved by the Competent Government Authority."

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

The Representative of **S D Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 744 to 750, Old Court Road, Narwana, Jind, Haryana - 126116** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 18.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant

institution submitted that "1. Respected Sir It is written in your service that the online portal was closed for the past two or three months, which is why the university did not issue renewal certificates from the fire department. 2. Respected Sir, It is written in your service that due to our colleges low annual income, we do not fall under 12AB. The Income Tax Department of Haryana has granted 10AC to the college, and the 12AB description is fully provided within 10AC. 3. Respected Sir, it is written in your service that the name of our college is SD Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Narwana but our society is SD Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Narwana and the land is registered in their name. 4. Respected Sir, it is written in your service that our college is non-encumbrance, and the government has had the form submitted by you attested by the government officer. 5. Site map or building map for ITEP is attached. 6. respected sir now we submit according to your portal please consider. 7. Respected sir, our college is a govt. Aided college but on NCTE portal fees option is not available for self-finance but we want to pay fees for this course so please reopen the portal for fee submission."

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Northern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 27.05.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the NRC vide order dated 27.11.2025.

The instant matter was placed in its 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 29.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the Appellant Institution on merits, decided to grant another (second) opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the direction to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter was placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 18.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report,

relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that the renewal certificate from the Fire Department could not be obtained earlier as the online portal was reportedly closed for two to three months. The institution further submitted that, although it does not fall under Section 12AB due to its low annual income, it has been granted registration under Section 10AC by the Income Tax Department, and the relevant details have been provided. The appellant clarified that while the college is named "SD Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Narwana," the sponsoring society is "SD Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Narwana," and the land is registered in the name of the said society. It was also submitted that the institution holds non-encumbered land and that the relevant form has been duly attested by a government officer. The site plan/building plan for the proposed ITEP programme has been furnished. The institution further requested consideration of the documents submitted as per the portal requirements and stated that, being a government-aided college, it is willing to pay the prescribed fee for the course but sought reopening of the portal to enable submission of the requisite fee.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the NRC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 27.11.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 27.11.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Northern Regional Committee. The Northern Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 27.11.2025 and remand back the case to NRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the NRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Haryana, Shiksha Sadan, Ground & 1st Floor, Sec-5, Panchkula, Haryana-134105.



एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)  
G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/  
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT  
89-55/E-397729/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026  
APPLSRC202515340 /E-89493

Chozhan Teacher Training Institute, Khasra No. 16, Sembarambakkam Village, Karai Post, Kanchipuram to Tirupati National Highway, Tamilnadu – 631552	<b>Vs</b>	Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Dr. T. Sanjeevee Jayram, Correspondent
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of **Chozhan Teacher Training Institute, Khasra No. 16, Sembarambakkam Village, Karai Post, Kanchipuram to Tirupati National Highway, Tamilnadu - 631552** dated 15.08.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. NCTE/2025/SRC/PAR/ORDER/APSO0958/150142** dated 02.06.2025 of the Southern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting D.El.Ed. Course on the grounds that "The institution has not submitted any reply to the Show Cause Notice."

### II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

**Dr. T. Sanjeevee Jayram, Correspondents of Chozhan Teacher Training Institute, Khasra No. 16, Sembarambakkam Village, Karai Post, Kanchipuram to Tirupati National Highway, Tamilnadu - 631552** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. We most humble submit this explanation in connection with the withdrawal of recognition issued by the SRC NCTE for our institution on the grounds of Non-submission of PAR. At the outset, we wish to state that before 2021, our institution had duly submitted the PAR to NCTE within the stipulated timeline. However, after 2021, due to the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) not permitted admission due to the shortfall of admissions. We our institute adhere the SCERT Instructions and not made the admissions. But most of the institutions in our state didn't follow the SCERT Instructions and continued their admissions. Unfortunately, the above-mentioned institutions are saved and didn't faced this critical situations. Our institution abides the government instructions, and abides the rules and regulations of State Government, but we are facing this critical situation. As a result, our institution had no enrolled students during that period 2021 onwards. In this situation we genuinely felt that without any student admissions, preparation and submission of PAR is very difficult. Consequently, the preparation and submission of the PAR, which primarily depends on the data of admitted students, was not possible. Despite this challenge we have maintained all our institutional records and ensure compliance with other regulatory

standards. After receiving the notice we understand that submission of PAR is a mandatory, statutory requirement irrespective of student's intake. The Non submission was not intentional but occurred due to our genuine misunderstanding of our requirement under the extraordinary circumstances of have no admissions. We prepared the reply of NCTE show cause notice, but within the short time the SRC NCTE passed the final order. We humble request the SRC NCTE to kindly take into consideration our prior compliance record of the absence of backhanded intention, and exceptional situation caused by the Non-Admission policy of the State SCERT. We assure you that, if given an opportunity, we will immediately prepare and submit all pending PARs for the relevant years and strictly comply with all future requirements. We therefore, humble request you to kindly reconsider the withdrawal order and restore the recognition of our institution. 2. We wish to respectfully submit the following explanation for the delay in our response for the Notice No: NCTE/2025/SRC/PAR/APS0958/147440 dt: 01.05.2025 The said notice was dispatched to our trust previous office address, it was not sent in our institutional address. As our old office address had been changed and duly updated in relevant records. We setup all necessary infrastructures before recognition and obtained the recognition in our permanent site. But the letter dispatched in our old trust office address, the postal department faced difficulty in locating our current premises. Consequently, the letter remained undelivered for a considerable period, causing confusion and delay in receipt at our end. After continues to follow with the postal authorities by personally enquiring, we were able to trace and collect the said notice. Immediately upon receipt we prepared our reply along with required documents. Unfortunately, by the time we came to know that the rejection order had already been passed in SRC NECTE meeting. We submit that the delay was neither intentional nor due to negligence on our part. But purely on account of the postal delay caused by the old office address on the envelope. The copy of the reply also enclosed herewith for your kind consideration. We kindly request that our explanation be taken into consideration and give us an opportunity to present our reply. 3. We respectfully submit that our institution code and number as received the withdrawal of recognition order. On careful verification, we noticed that while the date of the order correctly matches the recognition details of our institution, the order number does not match our

recognition order. This discrepancy has caused confusion in verifying the exact order applicability. We kindly request you verify the details and confirm whether the withdrawal order pertains to our institution. We further request our opportunity to submit the required appeal within the stipulated timeframe as per NCTE norms. As per recognition withdrawal order mentioned in recognition number last four digits is 8671 but our original recognition order number last four digits is 6800.”

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for the D.El.Ed. course with an annual intake of 50 students. The recognition of the institution was withdrawn by the SRC vide order dated 02.06.2025 on the ground that the reply/justification submitted by the institution to the Show Cause Notice for non-submission of Performance Appraisal Reports (PARs) was not found acceptable. The case relates to the non-submission of PARs for the academic sessions 2021–2022 and 2022–2023. The last date for submission of PARs was initially fixed as 10.11.2024 and was subsequently extended up to 31.12.2024 through Public Notices.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 18.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that the withdrawal of recognition was on account of non-submission of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR). The institution stated that prior to 2021 it had regularly submitted PAR within the stipulated timeline. It was submitted that from 2021 onwards, admissions were not permitted by SCERT due to shortfall of student intake, and consequently no students were enrolled. The institution contended that, in the absence of admitted students, it was unable to prepare and submit PAR and that the non-submission occurred due to a misunderstanding of the requirement, and not with any deliberate intent. The appellant

expressed willingness to submit all pending PARs and comply with future requirements, if granted an opportunity. With regard to delay in responding to Notice dated 01.05.2025, the institution submitted that the notice was dispatched to its previous trust office address instead of the current institutional address, resulting in delay in receipt. It was stated that the reply was prepared upon eventual receipt of the notice, but by that time the final order had already been passed. The institution requested that the delay be condoned and an opportunity be granted to place its response on record. The appellant further submitted that there appears to be a discrepancy in the withdrawal order number, as the last four digits mentioned therein do not match the last four digits of its original recognition order. The institution requested verification of the order details and confirmation that the withdrawal order pertains to it, and sought an opportunity to pursue the appeal in accordance with NCTE norms.

The Committee thereafter took note of the binding decision of the General Body of NCTE adopted in its 68<sup>th</sup> (Emergent) Meeting held on 25.11.2025, which is reproduced below verbatim:

**“3. DECISION OF THE COUNCIL**

**3.1 In modification of the scope of the decision taken in the 67th General Body Meeting and to ensure procedural fairness, the General Body, after detailed deliberation, unanimously RESOLVED as follows:**

**(A) Approval of Final Opportunity:**

***The Council approves the reopening of the online PAR portal for a final, one-time opportunity for all TEIs to submit PAR for the Academic Sessions 2021-22 and 2022-23.***

**(B) Scope of Submission:**

***The opportunity is structured as follows:***

- ***TEIs Recognized up to Academic Session 2021-22: Must submit PAR for both 2021-22 and 2022-23.***
- ***TEIs Recognized in Academic Session 2022-23: Must submit PAR for 2022-23 only.***
- ***TEIs Recognized in/after 2023-24: Are not required to submit PAR for this specific cycle.***

(C) **Stipulation of Consequence:**

***The Council reiterates that the submission of PAR is mandatory for the continuation of recognition. It is also categorically clarified that any TEI that fails to submit the PAR within this final stipulated window shall be liable for appropriate action being instituted against it in terms of Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 for withdrawal of its recognition.***

(D) **Mechanism for Withdrawn TEIs:**

***Access to the PAR portal shall remain restricted to TEIs whose recognition status is 'Active' or 'under judicial stay'.***

- ***The Council notes that the status of 'Withdrawn' recognition, once finalized, creates a jurisdictional bar (functus officio) that prevents the Regional Committee from unilaterally reopening the matter.***
- ***For TEIs whose recognition currently stands 'Withdrawn' on account of non-submission of PAR till 31.12.2024 and who have not approached any court; the onus is on the institution to demonstrate its operational intent. To avail of this final opportunity, such TEIs must first obtain an order of restoration or stay from a competent legal authority (i.e., the Hon'ble High Court or the NCTE Appellate Committee u/s 18) before the closing date of the portal window."***

The Committee also took note of the judicial pronouncements of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, including *Rambha College of Education v. NCTE* [W.P. (C) 3231/2016, judgment dated 23.02.2017], as well as orders dated 08.04.2021 in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 and 30.07.2021 in W.P. (C) 7260/2021, which mandate that subsequent documents submitted in the appeal must be considered.

Appeal Committee further noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 08.04.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 has observed as follows: -

***"Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner."***

Appeal Committee noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 30.07.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 7260/2021 has observed as follows: -

***“Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed.”***

The Appeal Committee, noting the above directives and the binding resolution of the General Body, finds that although the appellant institution was indeed deficient for failing to submit the PARs within the prescribed timelines, it nevertheless falls within the category of institutions permitted to avail the final, one-time opportunity for PAR submission, subject strictly to fulfilment of the conditions stipulated by the General Body. Accordingly, the appeal warrants disposal by way of remand, solely to give effect to the Council's binding decision and to ensure procedural fairness.

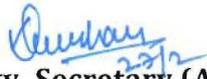
Noting the submissions and oral arguments advanced during the hearing, and guided by the binding resolution of the General Body of the NCTE adopted in its 68th (Emergent) Meeting held on 25.11.2025, the Appeal Committee hereby remands the matter to the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) with a specific direction that the appellant institutions shall be permitted to apply afresh and re-submit duly completed PARs upon reopening of the PAR Portal, in accordance with the General Body's mandate. The concerned Regional Committees shall assume complete and undiluted responsibility for ensuring strict compliance with the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE Regulations, 2014, the General Body decision dated 25.11.2025, all applicable SOPs, and relevant Public Notices. The Regional Committee concerned, being the custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and all connected records before passing any consequential order. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the SRC, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order,

all documents submitted before the Appeal Committee, whereupon the SRC shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and in conformity with the directions set out herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 02.06.2025 and remand back the case to SRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the SRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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4. The Education Secretary, Higher Education Department, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Fort St. George, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600009.



**एन सी टी ई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

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दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

**एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/**  
**APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**  
**89-56/E-397517/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**  
**APPLERC202615530/E-89493**

Dev Sangha Institute of Professional Studies and Educational Research, Dev Sangha, Bompas Town, Deoghar, Jharkhand – 814114	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Sh. Siddh Nath Singh, Secretary
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of **Dev Sangha Institute of Professional Studies and Educational Research, Dev Sangha, Bompas Town, Deoghar, Jharkhand – 814114** dated 30.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. ER-382.35/NCTE/B.Ed. & B.Ed. Add./APE00219(72419-72425)** dated 02.12.2025 of the Eastern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. B.Ed. Addl., M.Ed. and D.El.Ed. Course on the grounds that “1.The institution has appointed only one teaching faculty of Fine Arts, Music and Physical Education whereas there is the requirement of the teaching faculty each for Fine Arts, Music and Physical Education. 2. The several teaching faculties appointed by the institution is matching with B.Ed. M.Ed. and D.El.Ed. programme each other’s which is not acceptable as per NCTE Regulations. 3. The total land area is 3724 sq. mts as per CLU which is less than for running four-unit B.Ed. course, one unit D.El.Ed. course and one unit M.Ed. course. 4. The total built-up area is 4774.56 sq. mt. for running four-unit B.Ed. courses, one unit D.El.Ed. course and one unit M.Ed. course, which is less than the requirement under NCTE Regulations amended from time to time. 5. The institution has not submitted approved Building Plan with course wise earmarked area for proposed course and existing course. 6. The institution has not submitted latest NEC issued by the Competent Government Authority.”

### II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

**Sh. Siddh Nath Singh, Secretary of Dev Sangha Institute of Professional Studies and Educational Research, Dev Sangha, Bompas Town, Deoghar, Jharkhand – 814114** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “1. The institution has since appointed two teaching faculty each for Fine Arts, Music/ Performing Art and Physical Education by the Selection Committee in presence of University Representative of Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka, Jharkhand, meeting requirements of NCTE. The complete updated faculty list duly approved by the Registrar, SKM University, Dumka is attached. (Annexure-1). 2. The anomaly stated in

Point 2 of your letter has been due to our misunderstanding of Appendix 2 Point No. 5.3 (Note) and Appendix 4 Point No. 5.3 (Note) of NCTE Regulations 2014 and subsequent amendments which state that in a composite institution, the Principal and academic, administrative and technical staff can be shared. However, teaching faculties appointed by the College, separately course wise – M.Ed., B.Ed. and D.El.Ed., and new faculty members appointed to fill up gaps with following norms and in presence of University Representative (UR) of S K M University Dumka. Similarly, JAC representative was present for selection of D.El.Ed. faculty members. 3. The updated lists of teaching faculty separately for each course in prescribed format, duly signed by the competent authority of affiliating bodies i.e. Registrar, Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka, Jharkhand for M.Ed. and B.Ed. course and Secretary of Jharkhand Academic Council, Ranchi for D.El.Ed. course are attached. (Annexure-1). 4. It is submitted that our institution i.e. Dev Sangha Institute of Professional Studies and Educational Research (DIPSER), Deoghar is having the total land measuring an area of 0.92 Acre, which is equal to 3724.39 Sq. Meters (Khasra No. 1234/ 1001 through Registered Sale deed by Dev Sangha Ashram Trust (Our Mother Trust). 5. It is pertinent to mention here that the recognition to our institution was granted to our institution by NCTE prior to promulgations of NCTE Regulations 2014 and our institution was fulfilling the requirement of land area as per the prevailing Regulations during that period of time when the recognition was granted by NCTE. 6. As per the provisions of NCTE Regulations 2014 it has been stipulated that the requirement of land area related norms shall not be applicable to the existing institutions. Accordingly, our original building and structures are built exclusively on registered Sale deed land area of 0.92 on plot no. 1001, registered in the name of our college and there has been no change in the building (s) since then. 7. Accordingly, as per the provisions of the NCTE Regulations 2014, our institution has increased the built up area to 6063.08 Sq. Meters. Copy of Building plan and Building Completion Certificate are attached. 8. However, our Mother Trust Dev Sangha Ashram Trust, Deoghar had donated 2794.33 Sq. Meters (0.69 Acre) land (and 1842.08 Sq. Meters for Khasra No. 1009/ 1484, and 952.25 Sq. Meters for Khasra No. 1009/ 1486 respectively (through Notarized Gift Deed) total measuring area 6518 Sq. Meters to Dev Sangha Institute of Professional Studies and Educational Research, Deoghar vide Gift Deed No.

1282 dated 12 May 2023 in order to help our Institution to support its future academic activities like ITEP. Both pieces of lands are adjacent to each other. The Affidavit on Rs. 100 NJ stamp paper regarding land is attached with this Appeal. 9. It is submitted that the total built-up area of DIPSER is 6063.08 Sq. Meter approx. as per the approved building plan vide B.P.N. No. 113/96-97 dated 25.11.1996 duly approved by the Executive Officer, Deoghar Municipality and vide letter no. B.P.N. No. 315/ 2005-06 dated 08.3.2006 (for M.Ed. course) by the Special Officer of Deoghar Municipality. 10. Since approved building plan vide B.P.N. No. 113/96-97 dated 25.11.1996 was sanctioned in year 1996-97, when Deoghar was a small town of undivided Bihar, and the map prepared then, is now weatherbeaten, hence marking course wise rooms of two courses i.e. D.El.Ed. and B.Ed. could not be done. Hence the plan has been redrawn on a bigger scale for clear visibility and depiction giving full details of D.El.Ed., B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses. The magnified documents are duly attested by DSO, Deoghar as all mentioned buildings exist in the campus as per approved Building Plan. The Building Completion Certificate in the format of NCTE is attached. (Annexure-5). 11. The College started B.Ed. Course in year 2004. At that time, the Building Plan was approved by the Special Officer of Deoghar Municipal Office. Thereafter, our College started M.Ed. and D.El.Ed courses and additional units of B.Ed. course, which are running in three blocks of five storied buildings. The approved Building Plan and Geo-tagged photographs with earmarked area for existing courses are attached. (Annexure 6&7). 12. The College has received updated revenue receipt by Jharkhand Government and Non-Encumbrance Certificates of all these plots upto 2025-26. The NCE Copy is attached (Annexure-8). 13. Due to limit of size for uploading the documents, we are not able to upload all the annexures, hence, all the annexures are being sent through hard copy by post. 14. The appeal is against the common withdrawal order issued by ERC for B.Ed. course, M.Ed. course and D.El.Ed. course. As the option is there to enter only one course, hence, only B.Ed. course has been mentioned.”

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for B.Ed. course of one year duration with an annual intake of 100 (one hundred) seats vide order dated 12.07.2004 from the academic session 2004-2005 and additional intake of 100 seats, thus making total annual intake of 200 (two hundred) seats vide order dated 25.08.2012 from the academic session 2012-2013 followed by Revised Recognition with an annual intake of 200 intake (four basic units) seats vide order dated 31.05.2015 from the academic session 2015-2016. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the ERC vide order dated 02.12.2025.

The instant matter was placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that it has appointed additional teaching faculty in Fine Arts, Music/Performing Arts, and Physical Education through a duly constituted Selection Committee in the presence of the University Representative of Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka. It was stated that updated course-wise faculty lists for M.Ed., B.Ed., and D.El.Ed., duly approved by the competent affiliating authorities (Registrar, SKM University and Secretary, Jharkhand Academic Council), have been furnished. The institution clarified that any earlier anomaly arose from its interpretation of the provisions relating to sharing of staff in a composite institution under the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and that separate course-wise appointments have since been made in accordance with the prescribed norms. With regard to land and infrastructure, the appellant submitted that it holds 0.92 acre of land by registered sale deed in the name of the institution and that recognition was originally granted prior to the NCTE Regulations, 2014, when the applicable land norms were satisfied. It was contended that, as per the 2014 Regulations, enhanced land area requirements are not applicable to existing institutions. The institution further submitted that the total built-up area is approximately 6063.08 sq. meters, supported by approved building plans and Building Completion Certificate. It was also stated that additional adjacent land measuring 0.69 acre was donated by the Mother Trust through a registered Gift Deed to support

future academic activities, including ITEP. Relevant revenue records, Non-Encumbrance Certificates, building plans, and geo-tagged photographs have been enclosed. The appellant further submitted that certain documents could not be uploaded due to portal size limitations and are being forwarded in hard copy. It was clarified that the appeal is against a common withdrawal order relating to B.Ed., M.Ed., and D.El.Ed. courses, though only B.Ed. could be selected in the online appeal form.

The Appeal Committee notes that the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC), in exercise of powers under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993, issued the Withdrawal Order dated 02.12.2025 after recording receipt of a complaint and upon examination of the material available before it at the relevant time. The Appeal Committee further notes that, at the appellate stage under Section 18 of the Act, the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with supporting documents purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies forming the basis of the withdrawal order. A substantial portion of the material now relied upon was either not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing the impugned order or has not been subjected to verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. Under the statutory scheme of the NCTE Act, 1993 read with the applicable Regulations, continued recognition is conditional upon strict, demonstrable, and verifiable compliance with the prescribed norms and standards. Such compliance must be established through duly authenticated records and is subject to scrutiny by the competent Regional Committee. In the absence of prior verification of the additional material now produced, and in view of the mandatory nature of the regulatory requirements, the documents placed at the appellate stage necessarily require factual scrutiny and regulatory examination by the Regional Committee concerned before any conclusive determination regarding compliance can be recorded.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents

are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasised that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

The Appeal Committee also took note of the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 4382/2021 dated 08.04.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner.”***

The Appeal Committee further noted the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 7260/2021 dated 30.07.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed.”***

Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, having regard to the above judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the case, the Appeal Committee is of the considered view that the impugned order dated 02.12.2025 warrants interference to the limited extent that subsequent material placed on record by the appellant institution has not been subjected to verification and consideration by the competent Regional Committee. The Committee is further of the view that the ends of justice would be met by remanding the matter for limited factual verification and regulatory scrutiny, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims. Accordingly, without diluting the statutory authority of the Eastern Regional Committee and without creating any equity in favour of the appellant institution, the Appeal

Committee decided to set aside the impugned withdrawal order dated 02.12.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh factual verification and regulatory reassessment. The Eastern Regional Committee is directed to re-examine the case of the appellant institution afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted, afford reasonable opportunity of hearing to the institution, and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the guidelines issued by the Council from time to time, within the prescribed timeframe. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined only to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish full compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with law. The Regional Committee concerned, being the custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and all connected records before passing any consequential order. It shall also ensure time bound disposal of the case and passing the order after verifying the documents presented in the Appeal in a time bound manner for which the responsibility shall be of Regional Committee only. The appellant institution is directed to forward all documents relied upon in the appeal to the Eastern Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 02.12.2025 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)  
Appeal ID: APPEALC202615530

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2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Nepal house, Yojna Bhawan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Jharkhand.



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)  
जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)**  
**G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075**

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

**एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/**  
**APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**  
**89-58/E-398216/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**  
**APPLSRC202615531 /E-89493**

St. Joseph College of Education, Survey No. 33, Ballary Road, Rachanapali, Ananthapur, Andhra Pradesh – 515004	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Sh. Chegireddy Rama Bhupal Reddy, Administrative Officer
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of **St. Joseph College of Education, Survey No. 33, Ballary Road, Rachanapali, Ananthapur, Andhra Pradesh - 515004** dated 31.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. SRC/NCTE/APSO0327/B.Ed./483rd Mtg./Andhra Pradesh/2026/152596-152600** dated 29.01.2026 of the Southern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. Course on the grounds that “1. The SRC in its 410<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 considered the matter of Revised Provisional Recognition Order issued to the institution with some conditions and decided to issue Show Cause Notice. 2. Accordingly, as per the decision of SRC a Show Cause Notice was issued to institution on 10.05.2025. 3. The institution has not submitted reply to the Show Cause Notice till date. 4. The non-reply of the Show Cause Notice vide No. **F. SRO/NCTE/APSO0327/B.Ed./AP/2022/131956** dated 10.05.2022 was considered in 441<sup>st</sup> of meeting of SRC held on 04.08.2024 and it was decided to issue Final Show Cause Notice. 5. Accordingly, a Final Show Cause Notice was issued of the institution vide SRC letter no. **F. No. SRC/NCTE/APSO0327/B.Ed./441<sup>st</sup> Mtg./AP/2024/145382** dtd. 22.08.2024. 6. The institution has not submitted their reply of Final Show Cause Notice so far.”

### II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

**Sh. Chegireddy Rama Bhupal Reddy, Administrative Officer of St. Joseph College of Education, Survey No. 33, Ballary Road, Rachanapali, Ananthapur, Andhra Pradesh - 515004** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “Detailed representation attached separately.”

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for B.Ed. course of one year duration with an annual intake of 100 students from the academic session 2003-2004 vide order dated 24.12.2003. Thereafter, on promulgation of NCTE Regulations, 2014 the institution submitted affidavit dt. 21.01.2015 for its willingness for adherence of provisions of new Regulations. A Revised Provisional Recognition Order was issued to the institution for conducting B.Ed. programme of two years with an annual intake of 100 students from the academic session 2015-16 vide order dated 30.05.2015. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the SRC vide order dated 29.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The appellant vide MoA dated 3.2.2026 submitted that the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) issued the Withdrawal Order dated 29.01.2026 under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 withdrawing recognition of its B.Ed. programme on the ground that the institution had not submitted replies to the Show Cause Notices dated 10.05.2022 and 22.08.2024. The appellant submitted that it was originally granted recognition by the SRC vide order dated 24.12.2003 for conducting the B.Ed. course with an annual intake of 100 students from the academic session 2003-04. It was further submitted that after the coming into force of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, the SRC issued a revised recognition order dated 30.05.2015 permitting the institution to continue the B.Ed. programme with an intake of 100 students from the academic session 2016-17. Copies of the said recognition orders have been placed on record. The appellant further submitted that it has been functioning continuously since the year 2003 and does not lack any infrastructural or instructional facilities required under the NCTE norms. It was contended that the institution has been complying with the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the Regulations framed thereunder. It was further submitted that due to subsequent developments, the appellant institution decided to shift its premises from the existing location to a new premises. Accordingly, it obtained No Objection Certificate (NOC) dated 09.06.2025 from its then affiliating university, namely Sri Krishna Devaraya University. The appellant also

obtained NOC dated 20.06.2025 from the proposed affiliating university, namely Andhra Kesari University. The appellant submitted that thereafter, in August 2025, it submitted an application before the SRC seeking permission for change of premises in accordance with the applicable procedure. The appellant contended that instead of deciding the application for shifting of premises on merits, the SRC issued the Withdrawal Order dated 29.01.2026. The appellant further submitted that the alleged Show Cause Notices dated 10.05.2022 and 22.08.2024 were never served upon or delivered to the institution. It was contended that the appellant came to know of the existence of the said show cause notices only upon receipt of the Withdrawal Order. The appellant submitted that no opportunity was afforded to it to respond to the said notices. The appellant further contended that the first alleged Show Cause Notice was issued on 10.05.2022 and the second on 22.08.2024, but no action of withdrawal was taken at the relevant time. It was submitted that the Withdrawal Order has been issued only after the appellant submitted its application for shifting of premises. It was also submitted that issuance of two show cause notices prior to withdrawal of recognition of an existing institution is necessary in terms of the second proviso to Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993. The appellant contended that the impugned Withdrawal Order has been passed without proper compliance of statutory requirements and in violation of the principles of natural justice. The appellant further submitted that if the SRC was not satisfied with the infrastructural or instructional facilities available with the institution, it ought to have conducted inspection of the institution to verify compliance, instead of proceeding directly to withdraw recognition. It was lastly submitted that the appellant has preferred the present appeal within the prescribed time under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993 and has enclosed all relevant documents, including the recognition orders, NOCs, and other supporting material. The appellant prayed that the Withdrawal Order dated 29.01.2026 be set aside, recognition of the B.Ed. programme be restored, and the application for shifting of premises be considered in accordance with law.

The Appeal Committee noted from the record that the appellant institution has contended that it has been functioning since 2003 and has continuously complied with the infrastructural and instructional norms prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993 and the

NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. It has been asserted that no deficiency exists in respect of facilities required for conduct of the teacher education programme. The Appeal Committee further notes that the appellant institution has stated that, due to subsequent developments, it decided to shift its premises and, in that connection, obtained No Objection Certificates dated 09.06.2025 from Sri Krishna Devaraya University and dated 20.06.2025 from Andhra Kesari University. The appellant claims to have submitted an application in August 2025 before the Southern Regional Committee seeking permission for change of premises in accordance with the applicable provisions of the NCTE Regulations. The appellant has contended that instead of adjudicating the application for shifting of premises in accordance with the procedure contemplated under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), the Southern Regional Committee proceeded to issue the Withdrawal Order dated 29.01.2026 under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993. The appellant has further submitted that the Show Cause Notices dated 10.05.2022 and 22.08.2024 were not served upon the institution and that it became aware of the same only upon receipt of the Withdrawal Order. It has been contended that no effective opportunity was afforded to respond to the said notices. The appellant has also submitted that no action was taken contemporaneously pursuant to the said notices and that the withdrawal order was issued only after submission of the application for change of premises. The Appeal Committee observes that the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 does not clearly record findings regarding the regulatory consequences of any disaffiliation, nor does it examine the implications thereof under relevant Section of the NCTE Act, 1993 read with the NCTE Regulations, 2014, which mandate subsisting recognition and lawful affiliation as essential preconditions for continued conduct of a teacher education programme. The Appeal Committee further notes that while the appellant claims to have applied for change of premises in accordance with the applicable Regulations and to have taken steps toward compliance with infrastructural norms, the impugned order does not clearly indicate whether inspection or verification by a Visiting Team was undertaken in connection with the proposed shifting, as contemplated under the statutory framework governing change of premises. The Appeal Committee also notes that, at the appellate stage under Section 18 of the Act, the appellant institution has

placed on record a compliance report along with certain supporting documents in purported rectification of the deficiencies cited in the withdrawal order. A substantial portion of this material was either not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing the impugned order or has not been subjected to verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended). Under the statutory scheme of the NCTE Act, 1993, read with the applicable Regulations and Norms, compliance with infrastructure, instructional, and other mandatory standards must be established through verified and duly authenticated records. Determination of such compliance is within the domain of the competent Regional Committee. Consequently, material placed for the first time at the appellate stage cannot be acted upon without proper regulatory scrutiny and factual verification by the competent authority in accordance with law.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasised that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

The Appeal Committee also took note of the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 4382/2021 dated 08.04.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner.”***

The Appeal Committee further noted the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 7260/2021 dated 30.07.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed.”***

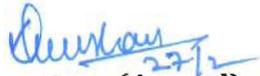
Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, having regard to the above judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the case, the Appeal Committee is of the considered view that the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 warrants interference to the limited extent that subsequent material placed on record by the appellant institution has not been subjected to verification and consideration by the competent Regional Committee. The Committee is further of the view that the ends of justice would be met by remanding the matter for limited factual verification and regulatory scrutiny, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims. Accordingly, without diluting the statutory authority of the Southern Regional Committee and without creating any equity in favour of the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee decided to set aside the impugned withdrawal order dated 29.01.2026 solely for the purpose of fresh factual verification and regulatory reassessment. The Southern Regional Committee is directed to re-examine the case of the appellant institution afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted, afford reasonable opportunity of hearing to the institution, and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the guidelines issued by the Council from time to time, within the prescribed timeframe. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined only to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish full compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with law. The Regional Committee concerned, being the custodian of its

records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and all connected records before passing any consequential order. It shall also ensure time bound disposal of the case and pass the order after verifying the documents presented in the Appeal in a time-bound manner for which the responsibility shall be of Regional Committee only. The appellant institution is directed to forward all documents relied upon in appeal to the Southern Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 and remand back the case to SRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the SRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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1. **The Principal, St. Joseph College of Education, Survey No. 33, Ballary Road, Rachanapali, Ananthapur, Andhra Pradesh - 515004.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Government of Andhra Pradesh, J Block, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room No. 312, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Hyderabad-500022.



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

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**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)**

**G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075**

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

**एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/  
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**

**89-63/E-398576/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**

**APPLERC202615533 / E-89493**

Utkal University, Plot No. 78, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar, Khordha, Odisha – 731004	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / <b>Representative of Appellant</b>	<b>The Representative</b>
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / <b>Respondent by</b>	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / <b>Date of Hearing</b>	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / <b>Date of Pronouncement</b>	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Utkal University, Plot No. 78, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar, Khordha, Odisha – 731004** dated 05.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / ERC / 2627202505174711 / ODISHA / 2025 / REJC / 185** dated 16.12.2025 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “as per decision of ERC, Letter of Intent (LOI) was issued to the institution on 16.10.2025 and accordingly, the institution submitted reply of Letter of Intent (LOI). As per decision of ERC, SCN post Letter of Intent (LOI) was issued to the institution on 01.11.2025. The institution has not submitted reply to the SCN post Letter of Intent (LOI) in prescribed time limit provided by the NCTE.”

### II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of **Utkal University, Plot No. 78, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar, Khordha, Odisha – 731004** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “This is to respectfully submit that the reply to the Show Cause Notice Post-LOI was attempted to be submitted by the Institute within the stipulated time. However, due to an apparent technical error, the reply could not be successfully uploaded to the online portal. Further, after receipt of the refusal order on the ground of non-submission of the reply of SCN Post-LOI, and as per the directions and instructions received from the University authorities, a fresh advertisement was published for the engagement of faculty members for the proposed ITEP (B.A. B.Ed. - Secondary) programme. Accordingly, the interview for the said posts was conducted on 17th January 2026. At present, all documents as required by the NCTE, in the prescribed formats, are complete and available for presentation and submission for due consideration. The Institute humbly requests that the above facts and enclosed documents may kindly be taken on record and the case may be considered sympathetically in the interest of justice. A screenshot showing the status of “Reply of

SCN Post-LOI”, and advertisement details are being submitted as additional documents along with this appeal for kind perusal.”

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Eastern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 30.05.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the ERC vide order dated 16.12.2025.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that it had attempted to submit its reply to the Show Cause Notice (Post-LOI) within the stipulated time; however, due to a technical error, the reply could not be successfully uploaded on the online portal. The appellant contended that the refusal order was issued on the ground of non-submission of the said reply. The institution further submitted that, subsequent to the refusal order and in consultation with the University authorities, it issued a fresh advertisement for engagement of faculty for the proposed ITEP (B.A. B.Ed. – Secondary) programme, and interviews were conducted on 17.01.2026. It was stated that all requisite documents in the prescribed formats are now complete and available for submission. The appellant requested that the technical lapse be considered sympathetically and submitted a screenshot reflecting the portal status of “Reply of SCN Post-LOI” along with advertisement details as additional documents in support of its appeal.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial

part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the ERC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 16.12.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

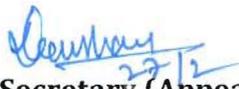
Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 16.12.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee. The Eastern Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said

Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 16.12.2025 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of School & Mass Education, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar 751 017.



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)

जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)**

**G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075**

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-64/E-396764/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026

APPLWRC202615428/E-89493

Govt. Madhav College, Khasra No. 667, 667/1, 684, Chatri Chowk, Ankpat Marg, In front of Shree Ram Janardan Mandir, Jiwajiganj, Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh – 456006	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
<b>अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT</b>		<b>प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT</b>

<b>अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant</b>	<b>The Representative</b>
<b>प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by</b>	Regional Director, WRC
<b>सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing</b>	19.02.2026
<b>निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement</b>	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Govt. Madhav College, Khasra No. 667, 667/1, 684, Chatri Chowk, Ankpat Marg, In front of Shree Ram Janardan Mandir, Jiwajiganj, Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh – 456006** dated 10.11.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / WRC / 2627202505275542 / MADHYA PRADESH / 2025 / REJC / 2262** dated 11.09.2025 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "1. The institution has not uploaded requisite document pertaining to Category I as per UGC. 2. The institution has not uploaded the letter of recommendation of the State Government / UT Administration. 3. The institution is not running any Existing Teacher Education Programme. 4. The name of the institution "Govt. Madhav College" mentioned in the online application whereas "Pradhan Mantri College of Excellence, Shaasakiya Madhav Kala Evam Vaanijya Mahavidyalaya" mentioned in the university letter of affiliation with regard to Multi-disciplinary Programmes uploaded by the institution. Both the names are different. Therefore, as per NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time, the application of the institution does not fall in the category of Multi-disciplinary institution. Further, the institution has not uploaded initial affiliation orders issued by the Affiliating University for all multi-disciplinary programmes. 5. The institution has not uploaded relevant certified land documents clearly mentioning all the Khasra/Survey/Plot Nos. along with affidavit issued by Competent Authority of State Government and the building is situated on a single plot. 6. The institution has not uploaded Mutation Certificate mentioning Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Authority of State Government. 7. The institution has not uploaded relevant Land Use Certificate (CLU) for educational purpose mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. 8. The institution has not uploaded Building Plan approved by the Competent Authority of State Government mentioning the name of institution, Khasra/Plot/Survey No. and mentioning the total land area and total built-up area earmarked for each course being run in the premises and the demarcated land and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes. 9. The institution has not uploaded Building Safety Certificate in adherence of safety guidelines as prescribed by

National/State Disaster Management Authority issued by Competent Government Authority. 10. The institution has not uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh. 11. The institution has not uploaded latest Building Completion Certificate (BCC) in the prescribed format of NCTE (17 points) issued by the Competent Government Authority for all the courses being conducted in the premises. 12. The institution has not uploaded geotag photos with different angles of Lift, Ramp, Electricity Connection, Safe Drinking Water and Accessible Toilet indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph. 13. The institution has not uploaded geotag photos with different angles of front view, rear view, multipurpose hall, library. Lab 1 and playground clearly indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph.”

## II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of Govt. Madhav College, Khasra No. 667, 667/1, 684, Chatri Chowk, Ankpat Marg, in front of Shree Ram Janardan Mandir, Jiwajiganj, Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh – 456006 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “With due respect, we, the undersigned, on behalf of Government Madhav College, Ujjain (Pradhan Mantri College of Excellence, Shaasakiya Madhav Kala Evam Vaanijya Mahavidyalaya, Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh – 456006), wish to submit this appeal under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993 against the Refusal Order issued by the Western Regional Committee (WRC) dated 11 September 2025 regarding our application for Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) for the academic session 2026-27. The institution respectfully submits that all the deficiencies mentioned in the refusal order were either procedural, technical, or have now been duly complied with / are available for verification. We humbly request the Hon’ble Appellate Authority to kindly reconsider our case on the following grounds: Grounds of Appeal: Institutional Clarification on Name: The college is a Government institution functioning under the Higher Education Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh. The official name as per Government Notification is “Pradhan Mantri College of Excellence, Shaasakiya Madhav Kala Evam Vaanijya Mahavidyalaya, Ujjain” (commonly known as Government

Madhav College, Ujjain). Both names refer to the same institution, and documentary evidence issued by the Department of Higher Education and Vikram University affiliation letters are enclosed. Documents of Category-I and State Government Recommendation: The requisite Category-I documents as per UGC guidelines and State Government's recommendation letter have been obtained and are now uploaded for verification. Existing Multi-Disciplinary Status: The institution is already offering multiple undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in Arts, Commerce, and Science under Vikram University, fulfilling the multidisciplinary criteria as per NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). Land and Building Related Documents: Certified Land Ownership, Mutation Certificate, Land Use Certificate (CLU), and Building Plan duly approved by competent authorities are now attached. All documents clearly mention Khasra/Survey Numbers, and the entire premises are on a single plot as required by NCTE norms. Safety and Completion Certificates: The institution has obtained Fire Safety Certificate, Building Safety Certificate, and Building Completion Certificate from competent government authorities. These are verifiable from respective departmental portals. Geotagged Photographs and Infrastructure Details: The required geotagged photographs (front view, rear view, multipurpose hall, library, laboratories, lift, ramp, drinking water facility, accessible toilets, playground, etc.) have been uploaded along with latitude-longitude and date details."

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Western Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 31.05.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 11.09.2025.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal

Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution, Government Madhav College, Ujjain (also referred to as “Pradhan Mantri College of Excellence, Shaasakiya Madhav Kala Evam Vaanijya Mahavidyalaya, Ujjain”), which stated that it is a Government institution functioning under the Higher Education Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh, and that both names refer to the same institution. In support, it has enclosed relevant Government notifications and affiliation letters issued by Vikram University. The appellant submitted that the deficiencies mentioned in the refusal order were procedural or technical in nature and have since been complied with. It stated that Category-I documents as per UGC guidelines and the State Government's recommendation have been obtained and uploaded. The institution further submitted that it is a multidisciplinary institution offering undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in Arts, Commerce, and Science under Vikram University. The appellant also submitted that certified copies of land ownership documents, mutation certificate, change of land use (CLU), and approved building plan have been furnished, stating that the entire premises are situated on a single plot in conformity with NCTE norms. It was further contended that Fire Safety Certificate, Building Safety Certificate, and Building Completion Certificate issued by competent authorities have been obtained and are verifiable. The institution additionally submitted that the required geotagged photographs and infrastructure details have been uploaded in compliance with the prescribed requirements.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the WRC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 11.09.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016

– Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 11.09.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee. The Western Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with

the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 11.09.2025 and remand back the case to WRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the WRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Higher Education, 2nd floor, Annex-3, Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh-462004.**



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)

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**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)**

**G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075**

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-78/E-398796/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026

APPLERC202615540 / E-89493

Rayburn College, Khata No. 118, 151/922 and 123 of Thingkangphai Lourup, BSF Road, Gangpimual, Churachandpur, Manipur – 795006	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Dr. Kh. Thianminlian Vaiphei, Vice-Principal
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL**

The appeal of **Rayburn College, Khata No. 118, 151/922 and 123 of Thingkangphai Lourup, BSF Road, Gangpimual, Churachandpur, Manipur – 795006** dated 13.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / ERC / 2627202505194767 / MANIPUR / 2025 / REJC / 198** dated 10.02.2025 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “1. The institution has not appointed HOD as per NCTE Regulations amended from time to time. 2. The institution has not appointed qualified teaching faculty subject wise and course wise as required under NCTE Regulations amended from time to time.”

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

**Dr. Kh. Thianminlian Vaiphei, Vice-Principal of Rayburn College, Khata No. 118, 151/922 and 123 of Thingkangphai Lourup, BSF Road, Gangpimual, Churachandpur, Manipur – 795006** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “On behalf of Rayburn College Society and Rayburn College, Gangpimual, Churachandpur, Manipur, we respectfully submit this appeal under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993 against the Refusal Order dated 10 February 2026 issued by the Eastern Regional Committee in respect of our application for recognition of the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) for the academic session 2026–27. We humbly state that the refusal has been issued on the ground that the institution has not appointed a HoD and qualified teaching faculty as per NCTE Regulations. At the outset, we respectfully submit that this finding has arisen due to an inadvertent and unintentional error on our part while uploading documents in response to the Show Cause Notice dated 16 December 2025. Although the institution had already appointed teaching staff strictly as per NCTE qualification norms, an incorrect staff list was mistakenly uploaded during the compliance submission. This was purely a clerical and procedural lapse, without any intent to misrepresent facts. Unfortunately, we became

aware of this mistake only upon receipt of the Refusal Order. We categorically affirm that: • The institution has appointed qualified teaching faculty, subject-wise and course-wise, in accordance with NCTE Regulations. • The HoD position has also been duly filled as per prescribed norms. • We are submitting the correct list of staffs as per your prescribed format. We most respectfully request that we may kindly be granted one opportunity to upload the correct and complete staff list, so that the actual compliance position of the institution can be placed on record. We further submit that Rayburn College is located in a remote, hilly region of Manipur, and serves primarily tribal and minority students. The proposed ITEP programme is envisioned as a vital academic intervention for this educationally underserved area. Denial of recognition on account of a rectifiable clerical error would adversely affect aspiring future teachers from marginalized communities who have very limited access to professional teacher education. It is humbly prayed that the Hon'ble Appellate Authority may kindly consider: That the deficiency arose solely due to an inadvertent document upload error. That the institution is otherwise fully compliant with NCTE staffing norms. That principles of natural justice warrant granting an opportunity to correct the submission. That the institution serves a socially and geographically disadvantaged population. In view of the above, we respectfully request that the Refusal Order dated 10.02.2026 may kindly be withdrawn, and we may be permitted to submit the correct staff details for fresh consideration. We assure the Hon'ble Authority of our full cooperation and immediate compliances. Thanking you in anticipation of a favourable consideration.”

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Eastern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 27.05.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the ERC vide order dated 10.02.2026.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that the Refusal Order dated 10.02.2026 was issued on the ground of non-appointment of qualified teaching faculty as required under the NCTE Regulations. The appellant contended that the said finding arose due to an inadvertent clerical error, whereby an incorrect staff list was uploaded in response to the Show Cause Notice dated 16.12.2025. It was submitted that qualified teaching faculty, including the Head of Department, had already been appointed in accordance with the prescribed norms; however, the correct and complete staff list was not uploaded due to a procedural lapse, which came to notice only upon receipt of the refusal order. The institution stated that the corrected and complete staff list, in the prescribed format, is now being furnished and requested an opportunity to place the same on record for consideration. The appellant further submitted that the institution is situated in a remote and hilly region of Manipur, catering predominantly to tribal and minority students, and that denial of recognition on account of a rectifiable clerical error would adversely impact teacher education in the region. The institution prayed for withdrawal of the Refusal Order and for fresh consideration of its case on the basis of the corrected faculty details, assuring full compliance with the applicable norms. During the online hearing, the appellant also submitted that, as per the UGC Guidelines for Autonomous Colleges, autonomous institutions have administrative autonomy, including the privilege of appointing their own administrative staff and teaching faculty, including the Principal, subject to compliance with the UGC (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Regulations, 2010, as amended from time to time.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the ERC

at the time of passing the impugned order dated 10.02.2026 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

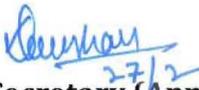
Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 10.02.2026 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee. The Eastern Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the

authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity; or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 10.02.2026 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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3. Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Directorate of University & Higher Education, Government of Manipur, Nityaipat Chuthek, Near Raj Bhavan, Imphal, Manipur-795001.



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)

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दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

**APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**

**89-80/E-398951/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**

**APPLNRC202615541/E-89493**

Motherhood Institute of Management and Technology Motherhood University, Faculty of Education Co-Ed Division, Khasra No. 394, 395, Karoundi, Bhagwanpur, Roorkee-Dehradun Road, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand – 247661	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Mr. Ajay Gopal Sharma, Registrar
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL**

The appeal of **Motherhood Institute of Management and Technology Motherhood University, Faculty of Education Co-Ed Division, Khasra No. 394, 395, Karoundi, Bhagwanpur, Roorkee-Dehradun Road, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand – 247661** dated 13.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / NRC / 2627202509303493 / UTTARAKHAND / 2025 / REJC / 317** dated 24.01.2026 of the Northern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “The university was required to upload the Building Completion Certificate issued by the Competent Govt. Authority in prescribed format; however, the university has not uploaded any reply/attached documentary proof with regard to Building Completion Certificate. The university was required to upload the Building Safety Certificate citing that the building of the institution has been constructed as per National Building Code and the same is full safe and structurally sound having load bearing capacity as per the Code/ Standards, for offering the teaching training course, issued by Competent Government Authority; however, the university has not uploaded any reply/ attached documentary proof with regard to Building Safety Certificate.”

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

**Mr. Ajay Gopal Sharma, Registrar of Motherhood Institute of Management and Technology Motherhood University, Faculty of Education Co-Ed Division, Khasra No. 394, 395, Karoundi, Bhagwanpur, Roorkee-Dehradun Road, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand – 247661** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “The required /desired building completion certificate has been submitted for kind perusal and consideration please, the required certificate was submitted earlier also but was not consider and refusal order was issued, hence very humble request is being made to the appellate authority to consider to be agreed. The required building safety certificate issued by the competent government authority has been submitted for kind perusal and

consideration please. The required certificate was submitted earlier also but was not consider and refusal order was issued; hence very humble request is being made to the appellate authority to consider to be agreed.”

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Northern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 04.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the NRC vide order dated 24.01.2026.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submission of the appellant institution that the requisite Building Completion Certificate and Building Safety Certificate issued by the competent Government authority have been furnished along with the appeal. The institution contended that these certificates had also been submitted earlier during the processing stage but were allegedly not considered prior to issuance of the refusal order. The appellant requested that the said certificates be taken on record and duly considered while deciding the appeal.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the NRC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 24.01.2026 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

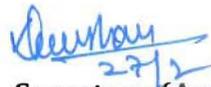
Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 24.01.2026 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Northern Regional Committee. The Northern Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this

remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 24.01.2026 and remand back the case to NRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the NRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

**Copy to :-**

1. **The Principal, Motherhood Institute of Management and Technology Motherhood University, Faculty of Education Co-Ed Division, Khasra No. 394, 395, Karoundi, Bhagwanpur, Roorkee-Dehradun Road, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand – 247661.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Government of Uttarakhand, Directorate General of School Education Uttarakhand, Nanoorkhera, Dehradun 248001.



एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)

जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)

G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/  
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-81/E-398896/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026

APPLWRC202615544 / E-89493

Banasthali Vidyapeeth, Plot no. 1, Banasthali Road, Newai, Tonk, Rajasthan – 304022	<b>Vs</b>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Prof. Ajay Surana, Head, Department of Education
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL**

The appeal of **Banasthali Vidyapeeth, Plot no. 1, Banasthali Road, Newai, Tonk, Rajasthan – 304022** dated 15.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / WRC / 2526202405172995 / RAJASTHAN / 2024 / REJC / 1246** dated 05.02.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “In the transition application bearing No. 2526202403011952, in a response of LOI, the identical staff profile has been uploaded by the application university: so NCTE WRC cannot identify the staff appointed for the first application for ITEP programme. So, as per the staff profile, the required teaching staff is not appointed as per NCTE norms.”

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

**Prof. Ajay Surana, Head, Department of Education of Banasthali Vidyapeeth, Plot no. 1, Banasthali Road, Newai, Tonk, Rajasthan – 304022** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “Staff profile submitted in transition application was with 51 existing teachers and the staff profile submitted for fresh application is with total 83 teachers clearly earmarked across the programs (existing and new applied for) with new 32 teachers. The staff profile clearly indicated the titles of programs with existing and new Units as follows: 1. M.Ed. 01 Unit (Existing)- 10 Teachers 2. B.Ed. 02 Unit (Existing)- 16 Teachers 3. HoD for ITEP- 01 Teacher 4. B.A. B.Ed. Secondary 02 Units (01 Existing + 01 New)- 16+03 (common) Teachers 5. B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary 02 Units (01 Existing + 01 New)- 17+03 (common) Teachers 6. B.A. B.Ed. Middle 01 Unit (New)- 10+03 (common) Teachers 7. B.Sc. B.Ed. Middle 01 Unit (New)- 10+03 (common) Teachers So total 10+16+01+16+17+10+10+03(common) 83 Teachers. For more clarification institution is again submitting the latest staff profile program wise separately for existing and new ITEP programs duly verified by registrar of the University. As of now institution has 86 teachers of which a total of 38 teachers

have been exclusively earmarked for fresh ITEP application. In accordance with the norms and regulation of the NCTE, the existing surplus teachers have been accommodated for new courses. Hence, there was no repetition of a single teacher (except common teachers) across the programs. The Institution had provided two separate lists of the teaching staff, one existing of 51 teaching staff and one new for 32 teaching staff in show cause notice dated 16/01/2026, last two points demanded the following documents: Point 9. (a) List of new selected teaching staff, (b) Documents of new teaching staff, (c) Staff profile as per NCTE norms for new courses. Point 10 . (a) List of existing teaching staff, (b) Documents of existing teaching staff, (c) Staff profile as per NCTE norms for existing courses (d) Bank statement of existing faculty of last six months. The NCTE portal has a limitation of 10 MB space for uploading the documents for each point, so as per the guidance provided by the Regional Director, WRC-NCTE, the institution had uploaded all the above document on a google drive and had attached a file containing all links to the drive on the NCTE portal. List of the new teaching staff clearly indicates the new appointments, and the staff profile also indicates the staff for the new ITEP programs. The hard copies of all the above documents are being submitted for your kind perusal and validation. Kindly consider our appeal. We assure you that the institution will follow all the norms and regulations of NCTE.”

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Western Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 21.05.2024. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 05.02.2026.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal

Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that, in its transition application, a staff profile comprising 51 existing teachers was submitted, whereas in the fresh ITEP application a consolidated staff profile of 83 teachers was furnished, including 32 newly appointed faculty members. The institution submitted that the faculty have been clearly earmarked programme-wise for existing and newly proposed ITEP units, including M.Ed., B.Ed., and various B.A./B.Sc. B.Ed. (Secondary and Middle) programmes, and that certain faculty have been shown as “common” in accordance with NCTE norms. It was further stated that, as on date, the institution has 86 teachers, out of whom 38 have been exclusively earmarked for the fresh ITEP application, and that no individual faculty member has been duplicated across programmes except where permissible as common faculty. The appellant further submitted that, in response to the Show Cause Notice dated 16.01.2026, separate lists and supporting documents were prepared for existing and newly appointed teaching staff, including staff profiles as per NCTE norms and bank statements of existing faculty. Owing to portal size limitations, the institution stated that the documents were uploaded through a Google Drive link as advised by the Regional Director, WRC, and that hard copies of the complete set of documents are being submitted for verification. The institution requested that the same be taken on record and considered in the present appeal.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the WRC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 05.02.2026 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration

of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

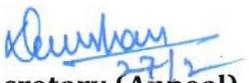
Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 05.02.2026 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee. The Western Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order,

all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 05.02.2026 and remand back the case to WRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the WRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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1. The Principal, Banasthali Vidyapeeth, Plot no. 1, Banasthali Road, Newai, Tonk, Rajasthan – 304022.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Higher Education Department, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)

जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)**

**G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075**

दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

**एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/  
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**

**Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**

**APPLNRC202615535 / E-89493**

Indian Institute of Technology, Academic Affairs Office, Land Id- 2669 on NCOG Govt. Portal, NH- 58, James Thomasan, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand-247667	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
<b>अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT</b>		<b>प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT</b>

<b>अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant</b>	<b>The Representative</b>
<b>प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by</b>	Regional Director, NRC
<b>सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing</b>	19.02.2026
<b>निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement</b>	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL**

The appeal of Indian Institute of Technology, Academic Affairs Office, Land Id-2669 on NCOG Govt. Portal, NH-58, James Thomasan, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand-247667 dated 09.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / NRC / 2627202505154536 / UTTARAKHAND / 2025 / REJC / 1898** dated 23.01.2026 of the Northern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "As per the decision of NRC taken in its 453rd Meeting (Volume-1) held on 11th & 12th December 2025 of NRC, SCN post inspection was issued to the institution on 19/12/2025. ? The institution has not uploaded reply of SCN post inspection within stipulated period."

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

The Representative of Indian Institute of Technology, Academic Affairs Office, Land Id-2669 on NCOG Govt. Portal, NH-58, James Thomasan, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand-247667 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "The online inspection was conducted on 08.12.2025 by the Visiting Team constituted by the NCTE. A Show Cause Notice (SCN) post-inspection was issued on 19.12.2025. In response, IIT Roorkee submitted its online reply on 26.12.2025, within the stipulated last date. However, after submission, it was observed that only the responses to the first two queries, which had their attachments, were visible on the portal, while the responses to the remaining queries were not reflected and the portal did not permit re-submission or editing of the remaining responses. Accordingly, on the same date, i.e., 26.12.2025, an email was sent by the Deputy Registrar (Academic Affairs Office) to nrc@ncte-india.org and recognition@ncte-india.org, apprising the concerned authority of the technical issue regarding non-visibility of the submitted responses. In the said email, complete responses to all five queries were reproduced in full for kind perusal and consideration. Subsequently, the matter was reiterated by the Dean of Academic Affairs through an email dated 19.01.2026. In view of the above, it is kindly requested that the competent authority may either enable the portal to allow re-submission of the complete

responses or consider the responses already submitted through official email correspondence, as the Institute has complied with the submission requirements within the prescribed timeline. The Appellant Institution also submitted that “The appellant institution submitted that regarding the post-inspection queries raised for the ITEP programme for the Academic Session 2026–27 although responses to all five post-inspection queries were uploaded on the portal, only the responses to the first two queries, which included attachments, are presently visible on the portal. The responses to the remaining three queries are not reflected due to a technical issue. In view of this, the appellant reproduced the complete responses to all five queries and placed them on record for consideration. With respect to Query No. 1 regarding mention of Roorkee Campus address in the online application form while the virtual inspection was conducted at the Saharanpur Campus, the appellant submitted that the application was made on behalf of IIT Roorkee as an institution. It was clarified that IIT Roorkee has its main campus at Roorkee and additional campuses at Saharanpur and Greater Noida. All administrative, academic, and financial approvals are routed through the main campus at Roorkee, and therefore the Roorkee address was mentioned in the online application form for correspondence purposes. It was further submitted that all relevant details in the application form, including photographs of the institution building, building completion details, approved building plans, and geographical location, pertain exclusively to the Saharanpur Campus and were verified during the virtual inspection. The appellant further stated that the Board of Governors, IIT Roorkee, has duly approved the Saharanpur Campus for conduct of the ITEP programme. Supporting documents have been enclosed. With regard to Query No. 2 concerning multidisciplinary status under sub-regulation 2(ca) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended), the appellant submitted that IIT Roorkee is a multidisciplinary institution offering 20 undergraduate programmes across science, engineering, humanities, and social sciences. It was contended that these programmes provide the requisite multidisciplinary academic ecosystem for effective implementation of the ITEP programme. Supporting documents have been enclosed. In response to Query No. 3 regarding establishment of Psychology and Language Labs, the appellant submitted that the proposal for establishment of the said laboratories has already been initiated

and the relevant files have been submitted for necessary approvals. It was stated that the laboratories will be established strictly in accordance with the norms and standards prescribed for ITEP. The appellant further submitted that competent faculty members from the Department of Humanities are available and consultations are underway for meeting the academic and operational requirements of the laboratories. With respect to Query No. 4 regarding procurement of 4000 books comprising at least 1000 titles as per the Norms and Standards for ITEP, the appellant submitted that the Institute is in the process of procuring the required books and that the purchase of 4000 books comprising at least 1000 titles shall be completed in accordance with the prescribed norms, as advised during the virtual inspection. Regarding Query No. 5 pertaining to creation of an activity room, common room, kitchen garden, departmental library, and other instructional facilities as per the Norms and Standards for ITEP, the appellant submitted that the activity room, common room, and departmental library are already established at the Saharanpur Campus. For the remaining facilities, including the kitchen garden, the proposal has been initiated and necessary approvals are being obtained. It was stated that all facilities shall be created strictly in accordance with the prescribed Norms and Standards for ITEP."

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Northern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 23.05.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the NRC vide order dated 23.01.2026.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that an online inspection was conducted on 08.12.2025 and a post-inspection Show Cause Notice dated

19.12.2025 was issued. The appellant submitted that it uploaded its reply on 26.12.2025 within the stipulated time; however, due to a technical issue on the portal, only responses to the first two queries were visible, while the remaining responses were not reflected and the portal did not permit re-submission or editing. It was further submitted that on the same date, the Deputy Registrar informed the concerned NCTE authorities by email regarding the technical issue and reproduced complete responses to all five queries for consideration. The matter was reiterated through a subsequent email dated 19.01.2026 by the Dean of Academic Affairs. The appellant requested that either the portal be reopened for re-submission or the replies already submitted through official email correspondence be considered as compliance within time. With respect to the post-inspection queries, the appellant clarified that the Roorkee campus address was mentioned in the application for correspondence purposes, as IIT Roorkee functions as a single institution with multiple campuses, including Saharanpur and Greater Noida. It was stated that all details, including infrastructure and inspection, pertain exclusively to the Saharanpur Campus, which has been duly approved by the Board of Governors for conduct of the ITEP programme. Regarding multidisciplinary status, the appellant submitted that IIT Roorkee offers multiple undergraduate programmes across science, engineering, humanities, and social sciences, thereby fulfilling the criteria under the NCTE Regulations. In response to queries concerning establishment of Psychology and Language Labs, procurement of required library books, and creation of activity room, common room, kitchen garden, and other facilities, the appellant submitted that proposals have been initiated and necessary approvals are being obtained. It was stated that all facilities shall be established strictly in accordance with the prescribed ITEP Norms and Standards. The appellant requested that the complete responses and supporting documents be taken on record and considered while deciding the appeal.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the NRC

at the time of passing the impugned order dated 23.01.2026 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

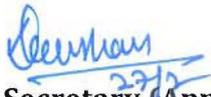
Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 23.01.2026 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Northern Regional Committee. The Northern Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those

forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 23.01.2026 and remand back the case to NRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the NRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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1. **The Principal, Indian Institute of Technology, Academic Affairs Office, Land Id-2669 on NCOG Govt. Portal, NH-58, James Thomasan, Roorkee, Haridwar, Uttarakhand-247667.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Government of Uttarakhand, Directorate General of School Education Uttarakhand, Nanoorkhera, Dehradun 248001.



एनसीटीई अपीलीय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.)

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NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)

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दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026

APPLERC202615543/E-89493

Central Sanskrit University, Shree Sadashiva Campus, 19, 20, Puri, Chandan Hazuri Road, Odisha-752001	<b>Vs</b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	Prof. V.S.V. Bhaskar Reddy, Professor in Education
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Central Sanskrit University, Shree Sadashiva Campus, 19, 20, Puri, Chandan Hazuri Road, Odisha-752001** dated 15.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE / ERC / 2526202405213263 / ODISHA / 2024 / REJC / 176** dated 05.11.2025 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The institution has not appointed teaching faculty of Political Science and Economics for B.A. B.Ed. Middle (1 unit)."

### II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

**Prof. V.S.V. Bhaskar Reddy, Professor in Education of Central Sanskrit University, Shree Sadashiva Campus, 19, 20, Puri, Chandan Hazuri Road, Odisha-752001** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "Due to technical reasons, Our institution was unable to appoint teaching faculty of Political Science and Economics for ITEP B.A. B.Ed (Middle) within 60 days of time given by NCTE. Hence, We were not submitted a list of teaching faculty approved by our university in a prescribed format. Now our Institution has recruited the teaching faculty of Geography, Political Science, Economics and History. Kindly consider our appeal of ITEP for necessary Action."

### III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Eastern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 30.05.2024. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the ERC vide order dated 05.11.2025.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submission of the appellant institution that, due to technical reasons, it was unable to appoint faculty in Political Science and Economics for the ITEP B.A. B.Ed. (Middle) programme within the stipulated 60-day period granted by NCTE. Consequently, it could not submit the list of teaching faculty duly approved by the University in the prescribed format within the required timeframe. The institution further submitted that it has since recruited faculty in Geography, Political Science, Economics, and History, and requested that the appeal be considered in light of the updated appointments.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with various documents in purported fulfilment of the deficiencies cited in the refusal order. At the same time, the Committee observed that a substantial part of the material relied upon by the appellant institution was either not before the ERC at the time of passing the impugned order dated 05.11.2025 or requires authentication and factual verification by the competent Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasized that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

Noting the submissions placed on record and the documents submitted, the Appeal Committee observes that the deficiencies recorded in the impugned order are predominantly factual in nature and capable of objective verification on the basis of the submissions and documents placed before the Appeal Committee. In the interests of justice, the Committee is of the considered view that the matter warrants limited interference, strictly within the statutory framework. Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims and without diluting or negating the findings recorded in the impugned order, the Appeal Committee sets aside the order dated 05.11.2025 solely for the purpose of fresh regulatory scrutiny and factual verification and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee. The Eastern Regional Committee shall re-examine the case afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted during the appellate proceedings, and assess compliance with the applicable shortlisting criteria, the requirements of a bona fide multidisciplinary institution, and the norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines, if applicable. The said Regional Committee shall conduct such verification strictly in accordance with law and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order within the prescribed timeframe. The said Regional Committee, being the statutory custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity, completeness, and genuineness of all connected records, including those forming part of the original application and the documents submitted during appellate proceedings, before passing any consequential order. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined solely to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations. The appellant institution shall forward to the said Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the said Regional Committee shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and the directions contained herein.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 05.11.2025 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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4. The Education Secretary, Department of School & Mass Education, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar 751 017.



**एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

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दिनांक/ Date - 26.02.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

**APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT**

**89-83/E-396838/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026**

**APPLERC202615521/E-89493**

Jagannath Jain College, Khata No. 1, 2, 3, Chechai, Kanungo Bigha, Patna Ranchi Road, Koderma, Jharkhand -825409	<b><u>Vs</u></b>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	The Representative
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL**

The appeal of **Jagannath Jain College, Khata No. 1, 2, 3, Chechai, Kanungo Bigha, Patna Ranchi Road, Koderma, Jharkhand - 825409** dated 21.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. ER-384.7/NCTE/APE00425/B.Ed./JH/2025/72550/72552** dated 02.01.2026 of the Eastern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. Course on the grounds that "1. First SCN was issued to the institution on 03.07.2025 on certain grounds. The institution had not submitted the reply against the First SCN. 2. Thereafter, the final SCN was issued to the institution on 18.09.2025. However, the institution has not submitted reply of Final SCN which was issued on 18.09.2025."

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

**The Representative of Jagannath Jain College, Khata No. 1, 2, 3, Chechai, Kanungo Bigha, Patna Ranchi Road, Koderma, Jharkhand - 825409** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. A duly verified list of teaching staff of the B.Ed. department has been enclosed herewith. This list is countersigned by the Registrar of the affiliating university, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribag, certifying that all the appointed faculty members meet the eligibility norms as per NCTE Regulations, 2014. Authenticity, aligning with NCTEs emphasis on affiliating body oversight. List of Faculty Members Enclosed. 2. The salary statements of all the teaching staff of the B.Ed. department have also been enclosed, reflecting regular salary payments made through bank transactions, in compliance with NCTE norms ensuring transparency and financial accountability. Copy Enclosed. 3. Regarding the complaint received by ERC concerning the eligibility of Mrs. Rimjhim Rukhaiyar and Mr. Ashok Abhishek, it is hereby clarified that both faculty members possess the requisite qualifications and have been appointed in full compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014. All relevant documents, including academic and professional credentials, were verified during their appointments and are available for your review. In this regard a committee were formed to verify the facts about the complaints and committee has found the facts enclosed the reports which explains

there is not any discrepancy in the appointment of these faculty members. Copy Enclosed In light of the above compliance and submissions, we humbly request the Hon'ble Appeal Committee to kindly consider our response satisfactory, set aside the withdrawal order, and continue the recognition of the B.Ed. programme of Jagannath Jain College, Jhumri Telaiya, Koderma, as per the norms of NCTE. We have forwarded all the compliance of the complaints to the Registrar of the affiliating University for the guidelines and kind perusals. We request the ERC to accept this as full compliance and restore recognition forthwith. We remain committed to maintaining the highest standards of teacher education and complying with all NCTE regulations in both letter and spirit.

7. Prayer for Relief In light of the above pointwise compliances—backed by enclosures totaling 15 documents—we humbly submit that all deficiencies stand rectified. The withdrawal order, if upheld, would disrupt 100 aspiring teachers education, contravening NEP 2020s access goals and Article 21A of the Constitution. We earnestly request the Hon'ble Appeal Committee to set aside the withdrawal order. Restore recognition for the B.Ed. programme (100 seats) with immediate effect. Grant a virtual/physical inspection if deemed necessary. The institution stands ready for any further clarification.”

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held online on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.**

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for B.Ed. course of one year duration with an annual intake of 100 seats vide order dated 27.07.2015 from the academic session 2015-2016. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the ERC vide order dated 02.01.2026.

The instant matter placed in its 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 29.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee in order to consider the case of the Appellant Institution on merits, decided to grant Opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the direction to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submissions of the appellant institution that a duly verified list of teaching staff of the B.Ed. department, countersigned by the Registrar of Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribag, has been furnished, certifying that the appointed faculty meet the eligibility norms prescribed under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014. The institution also submitted copies of salary statements reflecting regular payment of salaries through bank transactions. With regard to the complaint received concerning the eligibility of two faculty members, the institution clarified that both individuals possess the requisite qualifications and were appointed in compliance with NCTE norms. It was further submitted that an internal committee was constituted to examine the allegations and found no discrepancy in the appointments. Relevant documents and reports have been enclosed. The appellant requested that the compliance submitted be treated as satisfactory, the withdrawal order be set aside, and recognition of the B.Ed. programme (100 seats) be restored. The institution also expressed its willingness to undergo virtual or physical inspection, if considered necessary, and reiterated its commitment to adhere to NCTE norms.

The Appeal Committee notes that the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC), in exercise of powers under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993, issued the Withdrawal Order dated 02.01.2026 after recording receipt of a complaint and forwarding a copy thereof to the affiliating body for necessary action. However, the impugned order does not disclose the outcome, findings, or response of the affiliating body, nor does it record any conclusive determination on the merits of the complaint based on verified and authenticated material, as required under the statutory framework. Under provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 read with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), withdrawal of recognition must be founded upon objective examination of material evidence and a reasoned determination of non-compliance with mandatory norms and standards. The absence of recorded findings on the substantive allegations

leaves the core issues factually unexamined within the four corners of the statutory scheme. The Appeal Committee further notes that, at the appellate stage under Section 18 of the Act, the appellant institution has placed on record a compliance report along with supporting documents in purported rectification of the deficiencies cited in the withdrawal order. A substantial portion of this material was either not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing the impugned order or has not been subjected to verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE Regulations. In terms of the statutory scheme of the Act and the Regulations framed thereunder, continued recognition is contingent upon strict, demonstrable, and verifiable compliance with the prescribed infrastructural, instructional, and regulatory norms. Such compliance must be established through duly authenticated records and subjected to scrutiny by the competent Regional Committee. Consequently, the material now relied upon by the appellant necessarily requires factual verification and regulatory examination by the concerned Regional Committee before any legally sustainable determination can be recorded.

The Appeal Committee observed that, in the interest of fair adjudication, additional documents submitted during appellate proceedings cannot be ignored outright. Reliance was placed on the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016 – Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, wherein it has been held that such documents are required to be considered. However, the Committee emphasised that consideration of additional material does not amount to acceptance of the same and must necessarily be preceded by strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

The Appeal Committee also took note of the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 4382/2021 dated 08.04.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner.”***

The Appeal Committee further noted the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P.(C) 7260/2021 dated 30.07.2021, wherein it was observed: -

***“Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed.”***

Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, having regard to the above judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the case, the Appeal Committee is of the considered view that the impugned order dated 02.01.2026 warrants interference to the limited extent that subsequent material placed on record by the appellant institution has not been subjected to verification and consideration by the competent Regional Committee. The Committee is further of the view that the ends of justice would be met by remanding the matter for limited factual verification and regulatory scrutiny, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the appellant institution's claims. Accordingly, without diluting the statutory authority of the Eastern Regional Committee and without creating any equity in favour of the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee decided to set aside the impugned withdrawal order dated 02.01.2026 solely for the purpose of fresh factual verification and regulatory reassessment. The Eastern Regional Committee is directed to re-examine the case of the appellant institution afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness, and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted, afford reasonable opportunity of hearing to the institution, and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the guidelines issued by the Council from time to time, within the prescribed timeframe. It is expressly clarified that this remand is confined only to factual and regulatory reassessment, does not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution, and that failure to establish full compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with law. The Regional Committee concerned, being the custodian of its

records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and all connected records before passing any consequential order. It shall also ensure time bound disposal of the case and passing the order after verifying the documents presented in the Appeal in a time bound manner for which the responsibility shall be of Regional Committee only. The appellant institution is directed to forward all documents relied upon in the appeal to the Eastern Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order.

**IV. DECISION: -**

**After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 02.01.2026 and remand back the case to ERC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the ERC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.**

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
उप सचिव (अपील) / Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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1. **The Principal, Jagannath Jain College, Khata No. 1, 2, 3, Chechai, Kanungo Bigha, Patna Ranchi Road, Koderma, Jharkhand - 825409.**
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3. Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Nepal house, Yojna Bhawan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Jharkhand.



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APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-86/E-398444/2026 Appeal/3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026

APPLSRC202515481 / E 89493

Usha Latchumanan College of Education, Survey No. 206/2, TV Malai Road, Vazhapadiyar Nagar, Thirukannur, Villianur, Puducherry, Pondicherry – 605501	<b>Vs</b>	Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075
अपीलकर्ता / APPELLANT		प्रतिवादी / RESPONDENT

अपीलकर्ता का प्रतिनिधि / Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
प्रतिवादी द्वारा / Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC
सुनवाई की तिथि / Date of Hearing	19.02.2026
निर्णय सुनाने की तिथि / Date of Pronouncement	26.02.2026

## आदेश/ ORDER

### **I. GROUND OF WITHDRAWAL**

The appeal of **Usha Latchumanan College of Education, Survey No. 206/2, TV Malai Road, Vazhapadiyar Nagar, Thirukannur, Villianur, Puducherry, Pondicherry - 605501** dated 27.12.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. NCTE / 2025 / SRC / PAR / ORDER / APSO4373 / 151554, 55, 56** dated 28.05.2025 of the Southern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “The justification/reply given by the institution against Show Cause Notice for Non-submission of PAR is not acceptable.”

### **II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -**

**No one** from **Usha Latchumanan College of Education, Survey No. 206/2, TV Malai Road, Vazhapadiyar Nagar, Thirukannur, Villianur, Puducherry, Pondicherry - 605501** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 19.02.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “Not affiliation accorded to college by Pondicherry university for 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 academic years.”

### **III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -**

**The Appeal Committee in its 3rd Meeting, 2026 held online on 19th February 2026 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records.**

The Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for the B.Ed. course of two years' duration with an annual intake of 100 students. The recognition of the institution was withdrawn by the SRC vide order dated 28.05.2025 on the ground that the reply/justification submitted by the institution to the Show Cause Notice for non-submission of Performance Appraisal Reports (PARs) was not found acceptable. The case relates to the non-submission of PARs for the academic sessions 2021–2022 and

2022–2023. The last date for submission of PARs was initially fixed as 10.11.2024 and was subsequently extended up to 31.12.2024 through Public Notices.

The instant matter placed in its 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 12.01.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee, upon careful examination of the Appeal Report, relevant records, and documents submitted by the appellant institution decided to call upon the appellant institution to submit the status of submission of the hard copy of the appeal application along with the requisite supporting documents, in compliance with the applicable NCTE Rules and Regulations.

The instant matter placed in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting, 2026 held on 19.02.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted the submission of the appellant institution that affiliation was not accorded by Pondicherry University for the academic years 2021–2022 and 2022–2023. The institution placed this fact on record in the course of the present appeal.

The Appeal Committee noted that appellant institution approached the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras by filing Writ Petition No. 43372 of 2025. The Hon'ble High Court, vide passed an order dated 03.12.2025. The operative portion of the said order reads verbatim as under:

***“...6. As far as the prayer in the writ petition to release the staff approval with extended provisional affiliation to the petitioner B.Ed. Institution is concerned, it can be seen that as on date by an order dated 15.07.2025, the recognition of the petitioner itself is withdrawn for the violations mentioned in the said order. The petitioner earlier filed a writ petition wherein this Court directed the petitioner to file an appeal under Section 18 of the National Council for Teachers Education Act, 1993. It is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the link for filing of the appeal is not kept open by the concerned respondent which factual situation is disputed by the learned counsel for the 2nd respondent. In any event, even if the link is not kept open, it is for the petitioner to come up with such prayer to either accept the appeal offline or to keep the link open. Without filing the appeal and restoring the recognition or any interim order being passed as against the order of withdrawal of recognition, as on date the prayer made in the writ***

*petition to direct the Pondicherry University to grant staff approval along with extended provisional affiliation cannot be granted especially when certain shortcomings and irregularities have been pointed out in the withdrawal order.*

**7. In view thereof, the said liberty is kept open to the petitioner to first agitate the appeal as against the order of withdrawal in the manner known to law and thereafter if the petitioner succeeds may come up with the renewal of prayer. The writ petition stands disposed of with the above directions. No costs."**

The Committee thereafter took note of the binding decision of the General Body of NCTE adopted in its 68<sup>th</sup> (Emergent) Meeting held on 25.11.2025, which is reproduced below verbatim:

**"3. DECISION OF THE COUNCIL**

**3.1 In modification of the scope of the decision taken in the 67th General Body Meeting and to ensure procedural fairness, the General Body, after detailed deliberation, unanimously RESOLVED as follows:**

**(A) Approval of Final Opportunity:**

**The Council approves the reopening of the online PAR portal for a final, one-time opportunity for all TEIs to submit PAR for the Academic Sessions 2021-22 and 2022-23.**

**(B) Scope of Submission:**

**The opportunity is structured as follows:**

- **TEIs Recognized up to Academic Session 2021-22: Must submit PAR for both 2021-22 and 2022-23.**
- **TEIs Recognized in Academic Session 2022-23: Must submit PAR for 2022-23 only.**
- **TEIs Recognized in/after 2023-24: Are not required to submit PAR for this specific cycle.**

**(C) Stipulation of Consequence:**

**The Council reiterates that the submission of PAR is mandatory for the continuation of recognition. It is also categorically clarified that any TEI that fails to submit the PAR within this final stipulated window shall be liable for appropriate action being instituted against it in terms of Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 for withdrawal of its recognition.**

**(D) Mechanism for Withdrawn TEIs:**

**Access to the PAR portal shall remain restricted to TEIs whose recognition status is 'Active' or 'under judicial stay'.**

- **The Council notes that the status of 'Withdrawn' recognition, once finalized, creates a jurisdictional bar (functus officio) that prevents the Regional Committee from unilaterally reopening the matter.**
- **For TEIs whose recognition currently stands 'Withdrawn' on account of non-submission of PAR till 31.12.2024 and who have not approached any court; the onus is on the institution to demonstrate its operational intent. To avail of this final opportunity, such TEIs must first obtain an order of restoration or stay from a competent legal authority (i.e., the Hon'ble High Court or the NCTE Appellate Committee u/s 18) before the closing date of the portal window."**

The Committee also took note of the judicial pronouncements of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, including *Rambha College of Education v. NCTE* [W.P. (C) 3231/2016, judgment dated 23.02.2017], as well as orders dated 08.04.2021 in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 and 30.07.2021 in W.P. (C) 7260/2021, which mandate that subsequent documents submitted in the appeal must be considered.

Appeal Committee further noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 08.04.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 has observed as follows: -

***"Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner."***

Appeal Committee noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 30.07.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 7260/2021 has observed as follows: -

***“Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed.”***

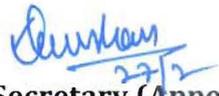
The Appeal Committee, noting the above directives and the binding resolution of the General Body, finds that although the appellant institution was indeed deficient for failing to submit the PARs within the prescribed timelines, it nevertheless falls within the category of institutions permitted to avail the final, one-time opportunity for PAR submission, subject strictly to fulfilment of the conditions stipulated by the General Body. Accordingly, the appeal warrants disposal by way of remand, solely to give effect to the Council's binding decision and to ensure procedural fairness.

Noting the submissions and oral arguments advanced during the hearing, and guided by the binding resolution of the General Body of the NCTE adopted in its 68th (Emergent) Meeting held on 25.11.2025, the Appeal Committee hereby remands the matter to the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) with a specific direction that the appellant institutions shall be permitted to apply afresh and re-submit duly completed PARs upon reopening of the PAR Portal, in accordance with the General Body's mandate. The concerned Regional Committees shall assume complete and undiluted responsibility for ensuring strict compliance with the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE Regulations, 2014, the General Body decision dated 25.11.2025, all applicable SOPs, and relevant Public Notices. The concerned Regional Committee, being the custodian of its records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and all connected records before passing any consequential order. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the SRC, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, all documents submitted before the Appeal Committee, whereupon the SRC shall proceed strictly in accordance with law and in conformity with the directions set out herein.

**IV. DECISION: -**

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 28.05.2025 and remand back the case to SRC for fresh consideration strictly in accordance with the direction specified hereinabove. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the SRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of the Appeal order.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

  
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