



एनसीटीई अपीलिय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-141/E-406555/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026

APPLWRC202615605 / E-90100

MIT Art Design and Technology University, Gata No. 139, 140, 141, Village-Loni Kalbhor, Taluka/Mandal - Haveli, District - Pune, Maharashtra-412201	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **MIT Art Design and Technology University, Gata No. 139, 140, 141, Village-Loni Kalbhor, Taluka/Mandal - Haveli, District - Pune, Maharashtra-412201** dated 16.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No. NCTE/WRC/2627202505225063/ MAHARASHTRA/2025/REJC/2022** dated 26.02.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The institution has uploaded consolidated staff profile and said that "The institution has uploaded consolidated staff profile (teaching staff including HoD) filled by every faculty member for integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) countersigned by the Society and Registrar (Affiliating Body) as per NCTE norms." It is also found from the staff profile uploaded by the institution, none of the faculty members are appointed as on date. So, as per the staff profile the required teaching staff is not appointed as per NCTE norms. In the Affidavit on Rs. 100/- from the Management, uploaded by the institution the details of Principal has not been mentioned."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Representative of MIT Art Design and Technology University, Gata No. 139, 140, 141, Village-Loni Kalbhor, Taluka/Mandal - Haveli, District - Pune, Maharashtra-412201 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th /16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "With due respect, the University submits the following compliance for kind consideration: At the time of submission of the application, MIT Art, Design and Technology University, Pune had uploaded the consolidated staff profile, wherein the date of joining for faculty members under the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (B.A.B.Ed., ITEP Middle stage) was mentioned as 1st July 2026. This was based on the Bonafide understanding that the ITEP programme will commence from the academic year 2026-2027, and accordingly, faculty joining were planned in alignment with the academic calendar of the University, which begins in August 2026. However, it is respectfully submitted that this was a matter of prospective planning rather than non-compliance. There was no intention of deviating from the norms prescribed by the National Council for Teacher Education. After the issuance of the refusal order, the University has taken immediate corrective action to ensure full compliance with NCTE norms. In this regard: 7 faculty members and 1 Principal have joined their duties on 1st March 2026 for the proposed ITEP programme. The remaining 5 faculty members joined on 1st April 2026, after completing their prior professional commitments. All together 13 faculty members as per NCTE norms have joined

and thus complied for the same. The University has ensured that the required teaching staff is duly appointed and now in position, strictly in accordance with NCTE norms. A revised consolidated staff profile reflecting the dates of joining is enclosed with this appeal. Supporting documents, including appointment orders, joining reports, and salary records for March 2026, are also attached for verification. Salary records for faculty who joined in April 2026 will be generated at the end of this month. In view of the above, it is humbly requested that the Hon'ble council shall consider the compliance submitted by the university and kindly grant the approval for the recognition of B.A. B.Ed. (ITEP - middle stage). With due respect, the University submits the following compliance for kind consideration: The affidavit submitted on the non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 500/- by MIT Art, Design and Technology University, Pune did not include the details of the principal. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the affidavit format prescribed by NCTE required combined information pertaining to Principal/Faculty norms. However, the University had constituted separate Selection Committees for the appointment of the principal and faculty members, in accordance with the provisions of the University Statutes aligned with the norms of the State Government and the University Grants Commission. Owing to this distinction, the University faced procedural difficulty in appropriately incorporating the details of both Selection Committees within the given affidavit format, which led to the inadvertent omission of the principal's details. The University sincerely acknowledges this omission and submits that it was unintentional and purely procedural in nature. To rectify the same, the University is now submitting a revised affidavit duly incorporating the details of the Principal and faculty, along with the Selection Committee details for both Principal and faculty appointments for your kind perusal. In view of the above, it is humbly requested that the Hon'ble council shall consider the compliance submitted by the university and kindly grant the approval for the recognition of B.A.B.Ed. (ITEP - middle stage)."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 27.05.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 26.02.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely MIT Art, Design and Technology University, Pune, wherein it was submitted that, at the time of submission of the application for recognition of the B.A. B.Ed. (ITEP – Middle Stage) programme, the University had uploaded a consolidated staff profile indicating the proposed date of joining of faculty members as 01.07.2026, based on the understanding that the ITEP programme would commence from the academic session 2026–2027 and faculty appointments were accordingly aligned with the University academic calendar commencing in August 2026. It was represented that the same was a matter of prospective planning and not intentional non-compliance with NCTE norms. The appellant institution further submitted that, subsequent to the issuance of the refusal order, corrective action was undertaken and 07 faculty members along with 01 Principal joined duties on 01.03.2026 for the proposed ITEP programme, while the remaining 05 faculty members joined on 01.04.2026 after completion of prior professional commitments. It was submitted that a total of 13 faculty members, as prescribed under NCTE norms, are now in position and that the required teaching staff has been appointed in accordance with applicable norms. In support thereof, the institution stated to have enclosed a revised consolidated staff profile indicating dates of joining, along with appointment orders, joining reports, and salary records for March 2026, while salary records of faculty members who joined in April 2026 are stated to be under process. The appellant institution further submitted that the affidavit earlier furnished on a non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 500/- did not include particulars relating to the Principal. In this regard, it was represented that separate Selection Committees had been constituted for appointment of the Principal and faculty members in accordance with the provisions of the University Statutes aligned with the norms of the State Government and the University Grants Commission (UGC), and owing to procedural difficulty in incorporating details of both Selection Committees in the prescribed affidavit format, particulars relating to the Principal were inadvertently omitted. It was submitted that the omission was unintentional and procedural in nature, and that a revised affidavit incorporating details of the Principal and faculty members, along with Selection Committee details for both appointments, has been submitted for consideration.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read

with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to mandatory statutory requirements governing duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional

Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 26.02.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of requirement of appointment of duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters/deficiencies identified in the impugned order, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure & instructional facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 26.02.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, MIT Art Design and Technology University, Gata No. 139, 140, 141, Village-Loni Kalbhor, Taluka/Mandal - Haveli, District - Pune, Maharashtra-412201.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Directorate of Higher Education, Elphiston Technical School premises, 3, Mahapalika Marg, Dhobi Talao, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus Area, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001.**



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एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-143/E-406786/2026 17th Meeting, 2026

APPLERC202615606 –

Vinoba Bhave University, Khata No. 54-57, 61, Village - Sindoor, NH-33, Taluka/Mandal-Sadar, District-Hazaribagh, Jharkhand-825301.	<u>Vs</u>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Prof. M D Tanwir Yunus, Professor & Head
Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Vinoba Bhave University, Khata No. 54-57, 61, Village - Sindoor, NH-33, Taluka/Mandal-Sadar, District-Hazaribagh, Jharkhand-825301** dated 21.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/ERC/2627202505225077/JHARKHAND/2025/REJC/2029** dated 27.02.2026 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP programme on the grounds that "The institution has not appointed part time teaching faculty in respect of Health and Physical Education, Arts Education and Career Guidance and Counselling as per NCTE Regulation."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Prof. M D Tanwir Yunus, Professor and Head from Vinoba Bhave University, Khata No. 54-57, 61, Village - Sindoor, NH-33, Taluka/Mandal-Sadar, District-Hazaribagh, Jharkhand-825301 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th/16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "The Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribag, Jharkhand, has prepared the panel list of part-time teaching faculty in respect of Health and Physical Education, Arts Education and Career Guidance and Counselling as per NCTE Regulation."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 27.02.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribag, Jharkhand, wherein it was submitted that, in compliance with the deficiencies pointed out, the University has prepared the panel list of part-time teaching faculty for Health and Physical

Education, Arts Education, and Career Guidance and Counselling in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements of appointment of qualified faculty prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to mandatory statutory requirements governing duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes

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3. **The 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, 3rd Floor, Jharkhand.**



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89-145/E-406394/2026 /7th Meeting, 2026

APPLWRC202615601

Jai Baba Amarnath T T College, Khasra No. 1469/1267, 1081, Village - Bhainsawa, Master ji ki Dhana, Taluka/Mandal-Jobner, District-Jaipur, Rajasthan-303123.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G- 7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
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Representative of Appellant	Sh. Harphool Singh Choudhary, Secretary
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Jai Baba Amarnath T T College, Khasra No. 1469/1267, 1081, Village - Bhainsawa, Master ji ki Dhana, Taluka/Mandal-Jobner, District-Jaipur, Rajasthan-303123** dated 19.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per Refusal order no. **F.No. NCTE/ WRC/ 2627202509152323/ RAJASTHAN/ 2025/REJC/575** dated 07.04.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that " i. As per the Fire Safety Certificate uploaded the land area of the institution has been mentioned as 4438 sqm which is not sufficient for running the existing Degree course and proposed ITEP courses. As per the institution is mentioned the land area in the land details column is 8000 sq.mts. Whereas the Fire safety certificate on the fire safety portal is 4438 sq.mts. The land area is mismatched. The institution has not uploaded total land Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. ii. The institution has allocated the land area of 2000 sqm for the Degree course which is not sufficient as per Guidelines issued by the Government of Rajasthan for (.....) available on <https://hte.rajasthan.gov.in/dept/dce/uploads/doc/NOCpolicy202122.pdf>. iii. The Committee noted that the name of the applicant institution i.e. Jai Baba Amarnath TT College, Dhainsawa, Village Master Ji Ke Dhani, Tehsil Phulera, Jaipur, which does not match with the name of multidisciplinary institution i.e., Jai Baba Amarnath Mahavidhyalaya, 412 Master Ji ki Dhani Jaipur. There is mismatch in the name of applicant institution. iv. The institution has proposed for Merger between both the institutions. The proposal for Merger is required to be approved by the State Government and concerned affiliating body. v. The staff list uploaded for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. course is not approved by the affiliating body. vi. Committee check the website of institution i.e., <https://tt.jbamcollege.in/>. The website of institution <https://tt.jbamcollege.in/> has NOT been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time still this date. vii. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Harphool Singh Choudhary, Secretary of Jai Baba Amarnath T T College, Khasra No. 1469/1267, 1081, Village - Bhainsawa, Master ji ki Dhana, Taluka/Mandal-Jobner, District-Jaipur, Rajasthan-303123 appeared online to present the case of the

appellant institution on 15th /16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The institution has submitted new fire safety certificate issued by Nagar Palika Jobner, Jaipur vide NOC dated 28.08.25 and 11.02.2026 which is valid up to 27.08.2027 and 10.02.2028 respectively. It is also informed that the fire safety certificate with the institution for 5198 sq mtrs. (Annexure-1). 2. The institution has uploaded new building plan and Building completion certificate approved by the Assistant Engineer, PWD Sub Div. Phulera, Dist. Jaipur (Raj), Rajasthan with earmarked of land and built-up area. institution is running Multidisciplinary Programme from the year 2012 so policy of 2021 is not applicable on the same. Institute have sufficient land as per guidelines of State for both courses. The details are as under: Multidisciplinary programme (5,000.00 sq. mtrs) Builtup-2998 sq.mtr Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) (3000.00 sq. mtrs) Builtup-2200 sq.mtr. Total land area (8000.00 sqr mtrs) Total Built-up - 5198 Sq.mtrs. (Annexure-2). 3. Merger with Jai Baba Amarnath, Mahavidyalaya, Master Ji ki Dhani, Bhainsawa, Tehsil-Jobner, Jaipur issued by the University of Rajasthan address to the Regional Director NCTE, New Delhi vide letter dated 28.02.2026. The institution has also submitted NOC from the Aayuktalaya, College. Shiksha Rajasthan, Jaipur, vide 3 dated 30.03.2026 for merger with Jai Baba Amarnath Mahavidhyalaya, Master Ji ki Dhani, Bhainsawa, Tehsil-Jobner, Jaipur. Copy of both letters are attached here with. (Annexure-3). 4. Merger with Jai Baba Amarnath Mahavidhyalaya, Master Ji ki Dhani, Bhainsawa, Tehsil-Jobner, Jaipur issued by the University of Rajasthan address to the Regional Director NCTE, New Delhi vide letter dated 28.02.2026. The institution has also submitted NOC from the Aayuktalaya College Shiksha Rajasthan, Jaipur, vide dated 30.03.2026 for merger with Jai Baba Amarnath Mahavidhyalaya, Master Ji ki Dhani, Bhainsawa, Tehsil-Jobner, Jaipur. Copy of both letters are attached here with. (Annexure-4). 5. The institution has submitted teaching faculty staff list uploaded for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. course approved by the University of Rajasthan. (Annexure-5). 6. The institution has submitted updated and maintained information about in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8 and 10(3) of NCTE Regulation 2014 as amended from time. (Annexure-6). 7. The institution has submitted the bank statement issued by Union Bank of India wherein the salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. (Annexure-7). The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that it had submitted requisite documents including revised Fire Safety Certificates issued by Nagar Palika, Jobner, revised Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate approved by the Assistant Engineer, PWD, Phulera, approval/NOC for merger from the University of Rajasthan and Aayuktalaya, College Shiksha Rajasthan, teaching staff list duly approved by the affiliating university, updated website in

compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014, and bank statements indicating payment of salary as per Central/State Government norms.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 07.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein it was submitted that, in response to the deficiencies pointed out, the institution has furnished a revised Fire Safety Certificate/NOC issued by Nagar Palika, Jobner, Jaipur vide dated 28.08.2025 and 11.02.2026, stated to be valid up to 27.08.2027 and 10.02.2028 respectively, covering the institutional built-up area of 5198 sq. mtrs. The appellant institution further submitted that a revised Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate, duly approved by the Assistant Engineer, PWD Sub-Division, Phulera, District Jaipur (Rajasthan), indicating earmarked land and built-up area, have been uploaded. It was represented that the institution has been running multidisciplinary programmes since the year 2012 and that the policy of 2021 is not applicable. The institution further submitted that it possesses sufficient land and built-up area for both multidisciplinary and teacher education programmes, namely 5000 sq. mtrs. land with 2998 sq. mtrs. built-up area for multidisciplinary programmes and 3000 sq. mtrs. land with 2200 sq. mtrs. built-up area for the ITEP programme, aggregating to a total land area of 8000 sq. mtrs. and total built-up area of 5198 sq. mtrs. The appellant institution also submitted that approval/communication regarding merger with Jai Baba Amarnath Mahavidhyalaya, Master Ji ki Dhani, Bhainsawa, Tehsil Jobner, Jaipur has been issued by the University of Rajasthan vide letter dated 28.02.2026 addressed to the Regional Director, NCTE, and that a No Objection Certificate (NOC) in this regard has also been issued by the Aayuktalaya, College Shiksha, Rajasthan, Jaipur vide dated 30.03.2026. Copies of the aforesaid documents have been stated to be enclosed. The appellant institution further submitted that the teaching faculty list for the B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programme, duly approved by the University of Rajasthan, has been uploaded. It was also represented that institutional website disclosures have been updated

and maintained in compliance with the provisions of Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14), and 10(3) of the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. Additionally, the institution submitted bank statements issued by Union Bank of India indicating that salary to staff is being disbursed in accordance with the applicable Central/State Government pay scales.

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. Through the said affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic, financial and regulatory requirements had been complied with and that the documents placed before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid, subsisting and verifiable from the competent authorities. The institution also affirmed therein that it fulfilled the requirements relating to land, infrastructure, instructional facilities, faculty, financial resources, governance and multidisciplinary integration under the applicable NCTE framework. Through the affidavit, the institution explained that a revised Fire Safety Certificate issued by Nagar Palika, Jobner, valid up to 10.02.2028, had been furnished clarifying the discrepancy relating to land area and indicating compliance with fire safety norms. It was further stated therein that a revised Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate approved by the Assistant Engineer, PWD, Phulera had been submitted showing earmarked land and built-up area for multidisciplinary and ITEP programmes, namely 5000 sq. mts. land with 2998 sq. mts. built-up area for multidisciplinary programmes and 3000 sq. mts. land with 2200 sq. mts. built-up area for ITEP, out of the total land area of 8000 sq. mts. and built-up area of 5198 sq. mts. The institution also indicated through the affidavit that approval/NOC for merger with Jai Baba Amarnath Mahavidyalaya had been obtained from the University of Rajasthan and Aayuktalaya, College Shiksha Rajasthan. It was additionally affirmed therein that the teaching staff list duly approved by the affiliating university had been furnished, the institutional website had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and bank statements had been placed on record to demonstrate payment of salary to staff in accordance with Central/State Government norms.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements

prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings

cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 07.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 07.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Jai Baba Amarnath T T College, Khasra No. 1469/1267, 1081, Village - Bhainsawa, Master ji ki Dhana, Taluka/Mandal-Jobner, District-Jaipur, Rajasthan-303123.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **The 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**



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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-147/E-406591/2026 17th Meeting, 2026

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BDML College of Education, Khasra No. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, 173, 374, 375, 376, Village - Dhelawas, PO. Gopipura, Street/Road-Alwar Behror State Highway, Taluka/Mandal-Mundawar, District-Alwar, Rajasthan-301407.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **BDML College of Education, Khasra No. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, 173, 374, 375, 376, Village - Dhelawas, PO. Gopipura, Street/Road-Alwar Behror State Highway, Taluka/Mandal- Mundawar, District-Alwar, Rajasthan-301407** dated 14.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509152308/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/367** dated 02.03.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. ii. The institution uploaded teaching stall list is not in the prescribed format of NCTE and not be as per NCTE norms. iii. College Khasra Numbers/plot numbers c. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, 173, 374, 375 and other information are not mentioned in the Uploaded building safety certificate no 3938 issued on dated 03/2/2026. iv. He institution website" WWW.BDMLEDU.COM" is not operational at the time of scrutiny. The institution is required to update and maintain its website in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(1), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. v. The institution has uploaded Change of Land Use Certificate issued in the specified format for Khasra Nos. 374, 375 and 376. CLU for Khasra Nos 395/387, 170,171,172,173 are not uploaded by the institution. vi. As per the land documents uploaded, the Khasra No 395/387 has been exclusively purchased for starting school. vii. The institution has not uploaded the 'Fresh certificate of merger issued by the Registrar of Societies as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. viii. A geotagged photograph shows part of the building left unrepaired. ix. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. x. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. xi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms, furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. xii. Computer labs and ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. xiii. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions, xiv. At the time of scrutiny, the website of fire department opened i.e., https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx the answer is Some Fatal Error Occurred xv. the institution has mentioned the built-up area as 3846.98 sqm, whereas the building plan

uploaded makes a mention of 4269 29 sqm and the Building Completion Certificate mentions the total built up area as 5416.33 sqm. There is mismatch in the built-up area."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

No one from BDML College of Education, Khasra No. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, 173, 374, 375, 376, Village - Dhelawas, PO. Gopipura, Street/Road-Alwar Behror State Highway, Taluka/Mandal- Mundawar, District-Alwar, Rajasthan-301407 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "i. Salary as per Government Pay Scale It is respectfully submitted that the salaries of teaching and non-teaching staff are being disbursed strictly in accordance with the applicable Central/State Government pay scales. The discrepancy arose due to insufficient clarity in the bank statements previously uploaded. We have now attached duly certified salary statements, pay registers, and supporting documents clearly reflecting compliance with prescribed norms. ii. Teaching Staff List Format We regret the inadvertent submission of the staff list in a format not aligned with NCTE requirements. The same has now been revised and uploaded strictly as per the prescribed format under NCTE norms, ensuring complete and accurate disclosure of staff details. iii. Building Safety Certificate-Khasra Details It is submitted that the omission of certain Khasra/plot numbers in the previously uploaded Building Safety Certificate was unintentional A revised and updated certificate, duly issued by the competent authority, incorporating all relevant Khasra numbers 1395/387 170, 171 172, 173, 374, 375), has now been obtained and uploaded for kind perusal. iv. Institutional Website Non-Operational We sincerely regret the temporary inaccessibility of our website at the time of inspection. The issue has now been resolved, and the website is fully operational. Furthermore, it has been updated in full compliance with Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14), and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). All mandatory disclosures have been duly incorporated. v. Change of Land Use (CLU) Certificate It is submitted that CLU certificates for Khasra Nos. 374, 375, and 376 were uploaded earlier. The CLU certificates for Khasra Nos. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, and 173 have now been obtained from the competent authority and uploaded in the prescribed format. vi. Land Use for Khasra No. 395/387 We wish to clarify that although Khasra No. 395/387 was initially purchased for school purposes, the institution has initiated and completed the necessary legal and regulatory processes to permit its use for higher education purposes. Supporting documents in this regard have been enclosed. vii. Fresh Certificate of Merger We acknowledge that the Fresh Certificate of Merger from the Registrar of Societies was not uploaded earlier. The same has now been obtained in - compliance with Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines and has been duly uploaded. viii. Building Repair (Geotagged Photograph Observation) The portion of the building observed as

unrepaired was under renovation at the time the photograph was taken. The repair and maintenance work has now been fully completed. Updated geotagged photographs reflecting the current condition have been uploaded.

ix. **Playground and Sports Facilities** We respectfully submit that adequate playground and sports facilities are available within the institution premises. However, the earlier photographs may not have adequately represented the same. We have now uploaded comprehensive geotagged photographs clearly demonstrating compliance with NCTE norms.

x. **Library Seating Capacity** It is submitted that the library reading room has been upgraded, and seating capacity has been enhanced to fully comply with NCTE norms. Updated photographs and supporting documentation have been uploaded for verification. Here is the formal, detailed English reply (points xi-xv) in a professional Appeal tone, ready to be merged with your earlier draft:

xi. **Multipurpose Hall and Furniture** It is respectfully submitted that the Multipurpose Hall of the institution is in compliance with NCTE norms. However, the previously uploaded geotagged photographs did not adequately reflect the complete infrastructure and availability of furniture. The institution has now ensured sufficient provision of required furniture (chairs, cables, etc.) in the hall. Updated and clearer geotagged photographs have been uploaded for verification, which accurately demonstrate compliance with prescribed standards.

xii. **Computer Lab and ICT Facilities** It is submitted that the Institution has a fully functional and adequately equipped Computer Lab along with necessary ICT facilities. The earlier uploaded geotagged photographs did not clearly capture these facilities. The institution has now uploaded fresh and detailed geotagged photographs clearly showing the computer systems, internet connectivity, projector, and other ICT resources in compliance with NCTE norms.

xiii. **Requirement Justification Certificate (Government of Rajasthan)** The institution acknowledges that the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement of a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines, was not uploaded earlier. The same has now been obtained from the competent authority and duly uploaded.

xiv. **Fire Department Website Issue** At the time of scrutiny, the Rajasthan Fire Department website displayed a technical error message ("Some Fatal Error Occurred"), which was beyond the control of the institution. However, the institution possesses a valid Fire Safety Certificate duly issued by the competent authority. The authenticated copy of the same has now been uploaded for verification.

xv. **Discrepancy in Built-up Area** It is respectfully submitted that the variation in built-up area figures arises due to different stages and representations in various documents: The Building Plan reflects the proposed built-up area of 4269.29 sq. m. The institution had mentioned 3846.98 sq. m., representing the initially utilized/operational area. The Building Completion Certificate reflects the total constructed built-up area of 5416.53 sq. mt., including all completed structures. To address this discrepancy, a consolidated and certified clarification from the competent authority/engineer has now been obtained and

uploaded. The revised documents clearly reconcile the differences and present the accurate, final built-up area details. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic and regulatory requirements had been complied with and that documents furnished before the Appellate Authority were genuine and verifiable. The institution further submitted that certified salary statements and bank records evidencing salary disbursement as per Central/State Government norms, revised teaching staff list in prescribed NCTE format, updated Building Safety Certificate incorporating all Khasra numbers, and operational website compliant with NCTE Regulations, 2014 had been furnished. It was also indicated that requisite CLU certificates, fresh certificate of merger, revised geotagged photographs relating to building, playground, library, multipurpose hall and ICT facilities, Government of Rajasthan recommendation certificate, valid Fire Safety Certificate and clarification regarding built-up area discrepancy had been submitted.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

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The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein it was submitted that salaries of teaching and non-teaching staff are being disbursed in accordance with the applicable Central/State Government pay scales and that the discrepancy observed earlier arose due to lack of clarity in the bank statements previously uploaded. In support thereof, the institution stated to have submitted duly certified salary statements, pay registers, and supporting records evidencing compliance. The appellant institution further submitted that the teaching staff list earlier uploaded was not in the format prescribed under NCTE norms and that the same has now been revised and uploaded in the prescribed format. It was also represented that omission of certain Khasra/plot numbers in the Building Safety Certificate was inadvertent and that a

revised certificate issued by the competent authority incorporating Khasra Nos. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, 173, 374, and 375 has been obtained and uploaded. The appellant institution submitted that the institutional website, which was temporarily inaccessible at the time of inspection, has since been made fully operational and updated in purported compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14), and 10(3) of the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, including mandatory disclosures. It was further submitted that Change of Land Use (CLU) Certificates for Khasra Nos. 374, 375, and 376 had already been uploaded, while CLU Certificates for Khasra Nos. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, and 173 have subsequently been obtained from the competent authority and uploaded in the prescribed format. With regard to Khasra No. 395/387, it was represented that although the land was initially purchased for school purposes, necessary legal and regulatory processes have since been completed to permit its use for higher education purposes and supporting documents have been enclosed. The appellant institution further submitted that the Fresh Certificate of Merger from the Registrar of Societies, which had not been uploaded earlier, has now been obtained and uploaded in compliance with Clause 4.2.2 of the applicable NCTE Guidelines. It was also represented that the portion of the building observed as unrepaired at the time of inspection was under renovation and that repair and maintenance work has since been completed, supported by updated geotagged photographs. The institution further submitted that adequate playground and sports facilities are available within the campus and that updated geotagged photographs have been uploaded to reflect the same. The appellant institution also represented that the library seating capacity has been enhanced to comply with NCTE norms and that updated photographs and supporting documents have been uploaded. It was further submitted that the Multipurpose Hall, furniture, Computer Lab, and ICT facilities are available in accordance with prescribed norms and that fresh geotagged photographs depicting the infrastructure and facilities have been uploaded. Further, the institution submitted that the requirement justification certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines, has now been obtained and uploaded. With regard to the Fire Safety Certificate, it was represented that a technical error on the Rajasthan Fire Department website prevented verification at the relevant time; however, a valid Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority has been uploaded. Regarding discrepancy in built-up area, the institution submitted that the variation reflected in different records pertains to different stages/representations, namely proposed built-up area in the Building Plan, operational built-up area reflected earlier by the institution, and total constructed built-up area reflected in the Building Completion Certificate, and that a consolidated clarification duly certified by the competent authority/engineer reconciling the differences has now been obtained and uploaded. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations,

2014 (as amended from time to time), and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. Through the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic, administrative and regulatory requirements had been complied with and that documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of independent verification. It was stated therein that certified salary statements and bank records evidencing salary disbursement as per Central/State Government norms, revised teaching staff list in prescribed NCTE format, updated Building Safety Certificate incorporating all relevant Khasra numbers, and an operational website compliant with NCTE Regulations, 2014 had been furnished. The institution further indicated that requisite CLU certificates, fresh merger certificate, revised geotagged photographs relating to building, playground, library, multipurpose hall and ICT facilities, Government of Rajasthan recommendation certificate, valid Fire Safety Certificate, supporting land use documents and clarification reconciling the variation in built-up area had also been submitted.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with

the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 02.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary

Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 02.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, BDML College of Education, Khasra No. 395/387, 170, 171, 172, 173, 374, 375, 376, Village - Dhelawas, PO. Gopipura, Street/Road-Alwar Behror State Highway, Taluka/Mandal- Mundawar, District-Alwar, Rajasthan-301407.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**

3. **The 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.**



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

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-152/E-407666/2026 17th Meeting, 2026

APPLSRC202615616 -

DLR College of Education, Survey no. 415/5a, Village-Villapakkam, Street/Road-Arcot-Arni Main Road, District-Vellore, Tamilnadu-632521.	<u>Vs</u>	Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Mr. M.C. Haribabu, Administrator
Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **DLR College of Education, Survey no. 415/5a, Village-Villapakkam, Street/Road-Arcot-Arni Main Road, District-Vellore, Tamilnadu-632521** dated 27.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/SRC/2627202509172758/TAMILNADU/2025/REJC/1768** dated 21.04.2026 of the Southern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The institution has submitted its representation on 15.04.2026 without attaching the latest faculty duty approved by registrar of the concerned affiliating body."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Mr. M.C. Haribabu, Administrator of DLR College of Education, Survey no. 415/5a, Village-Villapakkam, Street/Road-Arcot-Arni Main Road, District-Vellore, Tamilnadu-632521 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "We humbly submit that, our institution was issued show cause notice for 3 deficiencies. we have submitted reply and documents for all the three deficiencies and also attached documents particularly approved staff list. The staff list has been approved by the Registrar, TNTE university on 26.2.2026 we have uploaded all the documents in the portal. Further, we have sent all the documents through email to regional director, SRC on 15.4.2026 a copy of email is submitted herewith as proof for kind perusal of appeal committee. In spite of submission of all the documents, SRC has refused recognition. it was the final stage for grant of recognition, SRC would have granted recognition or would have provided an opportunity at this stage. we are submitting herewith the staff list approved by the registrar, Tamil Nadu teachers' education university, Chennai. all the staff has been appointed in accordance with the ITEP regulations of NCTE. we humbly request the appeal committee to kindly consider our documents and grant recognition for ITEP course and oblige. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all requisite statutory, infrastructural, academic, administrative and regulatory compliances had been fulfilled and that the documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable. It was stated therein that the Teaching Staff List duly approved and countersigned by the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai in the prescribed NCTE format, bearing

approval dated 26.02.2026, had been submitted in compliance with the deficiency pointed out by the Regional Committee.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Southern Regional Committee for grant of recognition, seeking permission for running the ITEP Course on 30.09.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the SRC vide order dated 21.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution against the refusal order issued by the SRC for grant of recognition for the ITEP programme. The appellant institution submitted that a Show Cause Notice containing three deficiencies had been issued and that replies along with supporting documents in respect of all the deficiencies had been duly submitted. The appellant further submitted that the approved staff list, duly approved by the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai on 26.02.2026, had been uploaded on the portal and formed part of the compliance documents. It was also submitted that all relevant documents were forwarded through e-mail to the Regional Director, SRC on 15.04.2026, and a copy of the said e-mail had been enclosed before the Appellate Authority as proof of submission. The appellant institution further submitted that all faculty appointments had been made in accordance with the NCTE ITEP Regulations, and that despite submission of the requisite compliance documents, recognition had been refused. The appellant requested consideration of the documents submitted, including the University-approved staff list, in connection with recognition for the ITEP course. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. Through the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic, administrative and regulatory requirements had been fulfilled and that the documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of independent verification. It was stated therein that the Teaching Staff List duly countersigned by the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai in

the prescribed NCTE format bearing approval dated 26.02.2026 had been uploaded/submitted in compliance with the deficiency communicated by the Regional Committee.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements of appointment of duly qualified faculty prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to mandatory statutory requirements governing duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability prescribed infrastructure & instructional requirements including availability of duly qualified faculty of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and

proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 21.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Southern Regional Committee (SRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of requirement of appointment of duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters/deficiencies identified in the impugned order, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the

Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure & instructional facilities with appointment of duly qualified faculty, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 21.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, DLR College of Education, Survey no. 415/5a, Village-Villapakkam, Street/Road-Arcot-Arni Main Road, District-Vellore, Tamilnadu-632521.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The Regional Director, Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-154/E-407700/2026 /7th Meeting, 2026

APPLWRC202615610 ✓

Adarsh Mahila Mahavidhyalaya, Khasra No. 1515-1516/774, Change to 2242-2243-2244/1515, 2245/1595, Village - Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304. APPELLANT	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G- 7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075 RESPONDENT
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Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Adarsh Mahila Mahavidhyalaya, Khasra No. 1515-1516/774, Change to 2242-2243-2244/1515, 2245/1595, Village - Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304** dated 22.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509223058/ RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/379** dated **15.04.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "As per the decision of WRC, the Final Show Cause Notice vide dated 27.03.2026 was issued to the institution to upload/representation within seven days of the issue of Final Show Cause Notice. No reply has been uploaded from the institution till date and the stipulated time period is over. Since the institution has not uploaded any reply to Final Show Cause Notice, the deficiencies pointed out by WRC in the Final Show Cause Notice still persists."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

No one from **Adarsh Mahila Mahavidhyalaya, Khasra No. 1515-1516/774, Change to 2242-2243-2244/1515, 2245/1595, Village - Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "**With reference to Final Show Cause Notice point no. 1.** The CLU (Change of Land Use) record of the Adarsh Mahila Shikshan Sansthan Taranagar Churu references Khasra Number 1515/774; this is because, when the land conversion for educational purposes was undertaken, all land leases falling under Khasra Number 1515/774 were converted for educational use by the District Collector of Churu. Prior to September 23, 2021, the Institute's land was situated within the Taranagar rural area. The land was incorporated into the urban limits (Municipal area) on September 23, 2021; the relevant allocation order-issued in accordance with Rule 7 (Format-11) of the 2012 Land Allocation Rules, vide Order No. N.P.Ta./2021/3319 dated September 23, 2021-which is attached herewith. Subsequently, changes were effected to the Khasra entries pertaining to the Institute's land (originally Khasra Number 1515/774). The Revenue Department revised the aforementioned Khasra Numbers-specifically the old numbers 1515/774 and 1516/774-resulting in the assignment of new Khasra Numbers: 2242/1515, 2243/1515, 4244/1515, and 1516/774. A certificate attesting to this change in the land Khasra records-issued by the Tehsildar (Revenue), Taranagar, vide Certificate No. Revenue/2025/1761 dated December 4, 2025-which is attached herewith. **With reference to Final Show Cause Notice point No. 2 -**

The address of the institution is match with the uploaded recognition order for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. issued by NCTE dated 09.02.2018, but Khasra no. mentioned 1515,1516/774 in NCTE recognition khasra No. 1515,1516/774 both are subdivision of 774 so This read consider khasra no. 1515/774,1516/774 in place of 1515,1516/774. **With reference to Final Show cause Notice point No. 3** - The institute was filled ITEP online transition Portal 2026-27 application form in which all old and new kharsa mentioned which also mentioned in CLU, Khasra change certificate and Mutation certificate. ITEP online transition Portal 2026-27 application form is uploading by the institution. Land related affidavit is also uploading by the institution. **With reference to Final Show cause Notice point No. 4** - The website of institution has been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. Website URL Address: <https://ammtaranagar.com/>." The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all requisite documents and compliances had been submitted and were genuine, valid and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that latest Khasra change certificate, Mutation Certificate (Jamabandi-Khasra Khatoni), land-related affidavit and ITEP online transition application had been furnished to clarify land particulars. The institution further indicated that the website had been updated and maintained in compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014 and mandatory disclosures had been uploaded. It was also explained that revised CLU/Format-11 documents, Khasra change records and NCTE recognition order dated 09.02.2018 had been submitted to clarify Khasra-related discrepancies and address-related observations.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 15.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Adarsh Mahila Shikshan Sansthan, Taranagar, Churu, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies communicated through the Final Show Cause Notice relating to land records/CLU, discrepancy in khasra details, land particulars uploaded in the ITEP Transition Portal, and compliance of website-related disclosures under the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The appellant institution submitted that, with regard to the deficiency relating to Change of Land Use (CLU), the land originally fell under Khasra No. 1515/774, and at the time of land conversion for educational purposes, all leasehold lands under the said khasra number were converted for educational use by the District Collector, Churu. It was further submitted that prior to 23.09.2021, the institution land was situated in the rural area of Taranagar and was subsequently included within municipal limits vide allocation order issued under Rule 7 (Format-11) of the Rajasthan Land Allocation Rules, 2012, bearing Order No. N.P.Ta./2021/3319 dated 23.09.2021. Consequent upon inclusion within urban limits, the Revenue Department revised the khasra entries and the earlier khasra numbers, namely 1515/774 and 1516/774, were assigned new khasra numbers, namely 2242/1515, 2243/1515, 4244/1515 and 1516/774. A certificate issued by the Tehsildar (Revenue), Taranagar, vide Certificate No. Revenue/2025/1761 dated 04.12.2025, certifying the said changes, was stated to have been submitted. Regarding the discrepancy in khasra details referred to in the Final Show Cause Notice, the appellant submitted that the institution address corresponds with the NCTE recognition order dated 09.02.2018 for the B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programme, and that Khasra Nos. 1515 and 1516/774 mentioned therein are subdivisions of Khasra No. 774. It was submitted that the khasra particulars may accordingly be read as 1515/774 and 1516/774. The appellant further submitted that, while filing the ITEP Online Transition Portal application for the academic session 2026–27, both old and revised khasra numbers had been duly mentioned, consistent with the CLU, khasra change certificate and mutation records, and that the relevant land-related affidavit had also been uploaded on the portal. With regard to the deficiency relating to the institutional website, the appellant submitted that the website had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, and the updated website had been made functional for mandatory disclosures. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that all statutory, infrastructural and regulatory requirements had been complied with and requisite documents furnished before the Appellate Authority were genuine and verifiable. The institution indicated that latest Khasra change certificate, Mutation Certificate (Jamabandi-Khasra Khatoni), land-related affidavit and ITEP online transition

application had been submitted to clarify land particulars and Khasra-related discrepancies. It was further explained that the institutional website had been updated and maintained in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 and requisite disclosures had been uploaded. The institution also affirmed that revised CLU/Format-11 documents, NCTE recognition order dated 09.02.2018 and related land records had been furnished to address observations relating to CLU and institutional address.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure)-Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable

statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 15.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of

the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 15.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Adarsh Mahila Mahavidhyalaya, Khasra No. 1515-1516/774, Change to 2242-2243-2244/1515, 2245/1595, Village - Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **The 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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-155/E-407705/2026 17th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615618 -

Trilok Singh TT College, Khasra No. 129/1, Village - Narodara, Taluka/Mandal-Sikar Link Road NH 52, P.O- Laxmangarh, District-Sikar, Rajasthan-332311.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Smt. Sangeeta Kumari, Representative
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Trilok Singh TT College, Khasra No. 129/1, Village - Narodara, Taluka/Mandal-Sikar Link Road NH 52, PO.-Laxmangarh, District-Sikar, Rajasthan-332311** dated 27.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509202962/ RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/588** dated **17.03.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The name of the applicant institution is 'Trilok Singh TT College' and the name of the multidisciplinary institution is Trilok Singh College', the names of the two institutions do not match. ii. With regard to land documents, the institution has uploaded the lease deed from Nagarpalika, which is not registered. iii. The plot area mentioned in the Fire Safety Certificate on the portal of Rajasthan Government is 2401 sq. mts. whereas the institution has mentioned its total land area 13186 sq. mts. iv. The institution has not uploaded the Exemption Certificate (Form 12A) issued by the Income Tax Department or issued by government competent authority. v. As per the Clu uploaded by the institution Khasra No. 745, 746 are not mentioned therein Whereas these Khasra No. are mentioned land details column of online application by the institution. vi. The institution has not uploaded the admitted students list in respect of all running programme(s) countersigned by Affiliating University. vii. The institution has not uploaded the admitted students list in respect of all running programme(s) countersigned by Affiliating University. viii. The institution needs to update and maintain the website in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. ix. In the Land Details Built Up area mentioned in the Affidavit (in sq m) is 4539. If we assume that, the institution is conducting degree courses i.e. B.A. $120 \times 3 = 360$, B.Sc. $60 \times 3 = 180$. The sufficiency of land and built-up area for the above courses with of multidisciplinary courses and intake for B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (2 unit), B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (2 unit), course cannot be ascertained. x. The institution has not uploaded the building plan which mentions the names of all the courses run in the same premises of the institute, Khasra/Plot/Survey number and total land area and total built up area reserved for each course run in the locality and demarcated land and built up area for teacher education programs including multi-disciplinary programmes. xi. The institution has not uploaded that all khasara numbers i.e. 129/1- patta no. 444,445,153,154 khasara no. 1271-patta no. 531,532, khasra no. 2323 -patta no. 533 is issued by the office of the executive officer nagar palika laxmangarh. xii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. xiii. The

geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. xiv. The institution has not uploaded Mutation (Jamabandi) Certificate mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Authority of State Government. xv. The institution has not uploaded the building plan which mentions the names of all the courses run in the same premises of the institute, Khasra/Plot/Survey number and total land area and total built up area reserved for each course run in the locality and demarcated land and built-up area for teacher education programs including multi-disciplinary programmes. xvi. The uploaded list of teaching staff duly countersigned by its affiliating body is not in the prescribed format of NCTE and not as per NCTE regulation 2014 and amendment time by time. xvii. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Smt. Sangeeta Kumari, Representative from Trilok Singh TT College, Khasra No. 129/1, Village - Narodara, Taluka/Mandal-Sikar Link Road NH 52, P.O-Laxmangarh, District-Sikar, Rajasthan-332311 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “All the documents submitted alongwith present Appeal. The deficiencies pointed out by the Regional Committee have been rectified. Kindly accept the appeal and remand back the matter to WRC to decide afresh and further WRC may be directed to issue order for transition to institution.”

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic and regulatory requirements had been complied with and requisite documents furnished were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the Recommendation/Requirement Satisfaction Certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan, approval/NOC for merger from the State Government and affiliating University, latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate, approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate, Mutation Certificate, CLU and valid Fire Safety Certificate had been submitted. The institution further indicated that the website had been updated in compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014, geotagged photographs of the multipurpose hall and reading room had been furnished, and salary records/bank statements along with teaching staff list in prescribed NCTE format had been uploaded to address the observations.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 03.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 17.03.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution in appeal against the order passed by the WRC relating to transition/recognition of the institution. The appellant institution submitted that all requisite documents had been furnished along with the present appeal and that the deficiencies pointed out by the Regional Committee had since been rectified through supporting compliance documents. The appellant further submitted that the matter may be reconsidered afresh by the WRC in light of the documents placed on record and that appropriate orders regarding transition of the institution may be considered. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic, administrative and regulatory requirements had been fulfilled and requisite documents submitted were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the Recommendation/Requirement Satisfaction Certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan under Clause 4.2.1 and approvals relating to merger from the State Government and affiliating University had been furnished. The institution indicated that latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate, approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate, Mutation Certificate and CLU had been submitted to address land and infrastructure-related observations. It was further explained that a valid Fire Safety Certificate, updated website compliant with NCTE Regulations, 2014, geotagged photographs of the multipurpose hall and reading room, salary records/bank statements and teaching staff list in prescribed NCTE format had been furnished.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional

Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent

material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 17.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 17.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Trilok Singh TT College, Khasra No. 129/1, Village - Narodara, Taluka/Mandal-Sikar Link Road NH 52, PO.-Laxmangarh, District-Sikar, Rajasthan-332311**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **The 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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-156/E-407709/2026 17th Meeting, 2026
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Choudhary M.S. Memorial T.T. College, Khasra No. 109, 110, 637, 638, 1119/54, Taranagar, Sahawa Road, Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Shri Rajveer Singh, Secretary
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Choudhary M.S. Memorial T.T. College, Khasra No. 109, 110, 637, 638, 1119/54, Taranagar, Sahawa Road, Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304** dated 02.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202510013551/ RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1836** dated **24.04.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. In the Land Details Built Up area mentioned in the Affidavit (in sq. mt.) is 5145. The institution is conducting degree courses i.e. B.A. 60x3=1680, B.Sc. 210x3=630, B.Com. 80x3=240, M.A. 120x2=240 M.Sc. 40x2=80. The sufficiency of land and built-up area for the above courses with of multidisciplinary courses and intake for B.Ed. 4 units 200x2=400, B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit) course cannot be ascertained. ii. The name of applicant institution is Choudhary M.S. Memorial T. T. College and name of multidisciplinary institution is Choudhary M.S. Memorial Mahavidyalay. There is a mismatch in the name of the institution. iii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. iv. The uploaded building plan is not proper. The institution is required to upload 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 area and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes. v. In the uploaded photo, the name board of college is not visible on the facade of the college building. vi. The uploaded teaching staff list is not proper and in the prescribed format and not signed by university Registrar. The institution has not uploaded the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body Registrar and not in the prescribed format of NCTE. vii. The website of the institution (www.cmsmtcollege.com) is not operational. The institution has not maintained and updated requisite information in compliance to Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. viii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. The Multipurpose Hall does not meet NCTE norms, as it lacks a seating capacity of 200 and has an extremely inadequate number of chairs. ix. Bank statement uploaded by the institution, which shows that the institution is not disbursing salary as per Central/State Govt. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether it is paying salary to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms. x. The uploaded Mutation is not in the prescribed format and is not proper. The institution has not uploaded Mutation

Certificate Jamadandi mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey issued by Competent Authority of State Government. xi. The facilities in the computer lab is poor, the institute provides stools for students to sit in the computer lab. ICT related facilities are not proper in the uploaded geotagged photographs. xii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college equate playgrounds and sports facility.

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Shri Rajveer Singh, Secretary of Choudhary M.S. Memorial T.T. College, Khasra No. 109, 110, 637, 638, 1119/54, Taranagar, Sahawa Road, Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The institution is running multidisciplinary programmes along with teacher education programmes in the same campus and same premises and also both courses run by same society. The institution confirms that adequate land and built-up area of 8230 sq. meters is available, which is sufficient for conducting all the above multidisciplinary programmes and teacher education programmes as per the norms prescribed by the National Council for Teacher Education under the NCTE Regulations, 2014. All required infrastructure facilities such as classrooms, laboratories, library, multipurpose hall, faculty rooms, ICT facilities and other amenities are available in the same campus and used commonly by all courses. 2. Teacher Education courses and Multidisciplinary courses are running in the same campus. Name of the institution is as per nature of the courses. Copy of certificate for all courses running in the same campus and same premises issued by Sub-Registrar Taranagar, Distt.-Churu (Raj.) and copy of affiliation orders of a courses are attached. Choudhary M.S. Memorial T.T. College, Sahawa Road, Taranagar and Ch. M.S. Memorial College, Sahawa Road, Taranagar are managed by the same society, "Choudhary M.S. Memorial Public School Sansthan, Sadulpur." Both the institutions are affiliated with Maharaja Ganga Singh University Bikaner. It is further submitted that "Ch." is the abbreviated for of "Choudhary" used by the University, and the University has also issued a name clarification letter in this regard is attached. 3. That the library and reading room is well furnished and equipped Copy of geotagged photograph of LIBRARY reading room is attached. 4. The institution respectfully submits that the building plan of the institution campus has been duly approved by the competent authority of the State Government. The separate demarcated built-up area for teacher education programmes and multidisciplinary programmes has been shown in the building plan as per the norms of the National Council for Teacher Education under NCTE Regulations is attached. 5. That the name board of college is visible on the facade of the college building. Copy of geotagged photographs of front view of college building is attached. 6. That copy of list of teaching staff for B.A. B.Ed. /B.Sc. B.Ed., B.Ed. and D.El.Ed. courses in prescribed format of NCTE duly approved by affiliating body

are attached. 7. That the name of website of this institution is "www.choudharymsmtcollege.com". The website of this institution is updated and maintained as per provisions of the NCTE Act and Regulations. Copy of home page of website of this institution is attached. 8. That the Multipurpose Hall is well furnished. Copy of geotagged photograph of the Multipurpose Hall is attached. 9. That this institution is paying salary/remuneration to its teaching staff as per pay scale prescribed by the State Govt. Copy of letter issued by Bank of Baroda regarding payment of salary to teaching staff and copy of Bank Statement of last six months indicating the transaction of salary/remuneration to Teaching Staff are attached. 10. That copy of Mutation Certificate issued by Sub-Registrar, Taranagar, Distt.-Churu (Raj.) is attached. 11. That the computer and ICT lab is well furnished and equipped with new generation of computer and furniture with networking. Copy of geotagged photograph of computer and ICT lab. is attached. 12. That the Playground is well furnished and maintained for outdoor games. Copy of geotagged photograph of Playground is attached. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic, administrative and regulatory requirements stood fulfilled and that requisite documents furnished before the Appellate Authority were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that sufficient land area of 9432 sq. mtrs. and built-up area of 8230 sq. mtrs., including earmarked area for teacher education programmes, were available for multidisciplinary and teacher education courses. The institution explained that the merger/integration with the multidisciplinary institution under the same management had been completed and State Government approval had been furnished to address the issue relating to nomenclature. It was further indicated that geotagged photographs of library/reading room, multipurpose hall, ICT facilities, playground and façade name board, approved Building Plan, Mutation Certificate, teaching staff list in prescribed NCTE format, updated website, and salary records evidencing payment through banking channels as per Government norms had been submitted.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 24.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Choudhary M.S. Memorial T.T. College, Sahawa Road, Taranagar, Churu, Rajasthan, managed by Choudhary M.S. Memorial Public School Sansthan, Sadulpur, in appeal relating to deficiencies concerning multidisciplinary status, land and built-up area, institutional identity, infrastructure, faculty, website compliance, salary payment, and land records for transition under the applicable NCTE norms. The appellant institution submitted that teacher education programmes and multidisciplinary programmes are being conducted in the same campus and premises under the management of the same society, and that an adequate land and built-up area of 8230 sq. metres is available for conduct of all programmes in accordance with the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was further submitted that requisite infrastructure facilities, including classrooms, laboratories, library, multipurpose hall, faculty rooms, ICT facilities and other amenities, are available and commonly utilized within the campus. The appellant further submitted that Choudhary M.S. Memorial T.T. College and Ch. M.S. Memorial College, situated at Sahawa Road, Taranagar, are managed by the same society and affiliated to Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner. It was clarified that "Ch." is an abbreviation of "Choudhary" as used by the affiliating university, and a clarification letter issued by the University in this regard had been submitted. The institution also submitted a certificate issued by the Sub-Registrar, Taranagar, Churu, along with affiliation orders, to establish that all courses are being conducted in the same campus and premises. The appellant institution further submitted that the library and reading room, computer and ICT laboratory, multipurpose hall and playground are adequately furnished and maintained, and geotagged photographs of the same had been furnished. It was also submitted that the building plan, duly approved by the competent State authority, had been provided, indicating separately demarcated built-up areas for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes in accordance with NCTE norms. The appellant also submitted that the name board of the institution is displayed on the façade of the college building and geotagged photographs thereof had been furnished. Further, teaching staff lists for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed., B.Ed. and D.El.Ed. programmes, duly approved by the affiliating body and in the prescribed NCTE format, had been submitted. With regard to

regulatory compliance, the appellant submitted that the institutional website, namely "www.choudharymsmttcollege.com", has been updated and maintained in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act and Regulations, and that the institution is disbursing salary/remuneration to teaching staff in accordance with the pay scales prescribed by the State Government, supported by bank certification and salary transaction statements for the preceding six months. The appellant further submitted that the mutation certificate issued by the Sub-Registrar, Taranagar, Churu had also been furnished.

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural and regulatory requirements stood fulfilled and requisite documents submitted were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that sufficient land and built-up area earmarked for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes were available and that merger/integration with the multidisciplinary institution under the same management had been completed with approval of the State Government. The institution indicated that approved Building Plan, Mutation Certificate, updated website, teaching staff list in prescribed NCTE format and salary records evidencing payment through banking channels had been furnished. It was further explained that geotagged photographs relating to library, multipurpose hall, ICT facilities, playground and façade name board had been submitted in support of infrastructural compliance.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on

record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same

time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 24.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 24.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Choudhary M.S. Memorial T.T. College, Khasra No. 109, 110, 637, 638, 1119/54, Taranagar, Sahawa Road, Taranagar, District-Churu, Rajasthan-331304.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **The 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 अपीलीय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-157/E-407736/2026 /7th Meeting, 2026
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Shri Raghunath Bishnoi Memorial College, Khasra No. 2699/990, 1048, 986/2, Raniwara, District - Jalore, Rajasthan-343040.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Mr. Rohit Bishnoi, Director
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shri Raghunath Bishnoi Memorial College, Khasra No. 2699/990, 1048, 986/2, Raniwara, District - Jalore, Rajasthan-343040** dated 28.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509172764/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1618** dated **13.04.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. As per the uploaded CLU two Khasra No. 2699/990 and 1048 for educational use whereas the Khasra No. 986/2 is not use for educational purpose. ii. The institution has mentioned land area 10115 sq.mts. Whereas the provided land area uses for educational purpose 7610 sq.mts. The land area is mismatched. iii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. iv. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. v. Committee noted that, College Khasra Numbers/plot numbers and other things are not mentioned in the Uploaded building safety certificate no. EE/SCR/2025-26/4549 issued on dated 19/03/2025. The institution is required to upload Building Safety Certificate in adherence of safety guidelines as prescribed by National/State Disaster Management Authority issued by Competent Government Authority. vi. The website WWW.SRBCOLLEGE.EDU.IN of institution is required to update and maintain in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14) (i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. vii. The institution is not running multidisciplinary programme. As per letter uploaded by the institution i.e., JNV/AF/2026/1985 dated 18/02/2026, the institution shall start Multidisciplinary programme from 2026-2027. viii. The institute does not run multidisciplinary programmes. According to the letter uploaded by the institute, i.e., JNV/AF/2026/1985 dated 18/02/2026, it is mentioned in the letter that the institute will start the multidisciplinary program from 2026-2027. ix. The institution is required to upload Mutation (Jamabandi) Certificate mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Authority of State Government. x. A flex board with the name of the college is seen to be put up temporarily. This board can be removed at any time. xi. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether the institution is paying salaries to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms. xii. Built Up area mentioned in the Affidavit (in sq. m) are 7408. In the conversion order No /Rev./2017/339 dated 17/3/2017 it mentioned 4260 sq. mt. The land area is mismatched in BCC and CLU. xiii. Committee noted that the institution is required to upload latest Building

Completion Certificate (BCC) in the prescribed format of NCTE (17 points) for mentioning all Khasra or plot issued by the Competent Government Authority for all the courses being conducted in the premises. xiv. The building plan is not proper. 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.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Mr. Rohit Bishnoi, Director of Shri Raghunath Bishnoi Memorial College, Khasra No. 2699/990, 1048, 986/2, Raniwara, District - Jalore, Rajasthan-343040 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “i. As per the uploaded Change of Land Use (CLU) document, Khasra Nos 2699/990 and 1048 are already approved for educational use. Further, Khasra No. 986/2 have also been converted for educational purposes vide Order No. PCCL/2025-26/117164 dated 23-04-2026. Accordingly, the entire land of the institution now stands duly covered for educational use. ii. The total land area of the institution is 10,115 sq. m, which includes all Khasra numbers owned by the institution. Out of this, 7,610 sq. mt. of land (Khasra Nos. 2699/990 and 1048) was initially approved for educational use under the CLU The remaining land Khasra No. 986/2, has now also been converted for educational use vide Order No. PCCL/2025-26/117164 dated 23-04-2026. Hence, there is no discrepancy in the land area the earlier difference was due to pending CLU classification. iii. It is respectfully submitted that the Multipurpose Hall of the institution is fully constructed in accordance with the prescribed NCTE norms in terms of size, space, and utility. At present, the hall is fully furnished with adequate number of chairs, tables, and other necessary fixtures as per the required standards The earlier geotagged photographs may not have reflected the complete arrangement however, the institution confirms that all required furniture has now been properly installed and arranged. The Multipurpose Hall is being effectively utilized for academic, co-curricular, and institutional activities in compliance with NCTE guidelines. geotagged photographs clearly showing the fully furnished hall. iv. It is respectfully submitted that the Library Reading Room of the institution has adequate space as per the prescribed NCTE norms. At present, the reading room is fully equipped with sufficient seating capacity, including tables and chairs, in accordance with the required standards. The earlier geotagged photographs may not have reflected the complete seating arrangement- however, the institution confirms that adequate seating facilities have now been properly arranged to meet

NCTE norms. The library reading room is being effectively utilized by students and staff for academic purposes geotagged photographs showing sufficient seating capacity. v. It is respectfully submitted that the Building Safety Certificate bearing No. EE/SCR/2025-26/4549 dated 19/03/2026 has been duly issued by the competent Government authority and already contains all required details. The certificate clearly mentions: -Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers of the institution - Name and address of the institution - Complete building details and safety compliance Further, the said certificate has been issued in accordance with the safety guidelines prescribed by the National/State Disaster Management Authority, and the building has been certified as safe for educational use. Therefore, the institution confirms that the uploaded Building Safety Certificate is complete in all respects and fully compliant with the prescribed norms. vi. It is respectfully submitted that the institution's website w.srbcollege.edu.in is fully functional, updated, and properly maintained in compliance with the provisions of Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14), and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. All mandatory disclosures, including details of courses, faculty, infrastructure, financial information, and other required particulars, have been duly uploaded and are accessible on the website as per NCTE norms. The institution ensures regular updating and proper maintenance of the website to keep all information accurate and current. vii. It is respectfully submitted that the institution is already running multidisciplinary programmes on the campus. The same is being conducted in accordance with Order No. UNVU/AM/2025/1739 dated 06-09-2025 issued by Jai Narain Vyas University The earlier letter No. JNV/AF/2026/1985 dated 18/02/2026 pertained to further expansion and strengthening of multidisciplinary programmes from the academic session 2026-2027 and does not indicate the absence of such programmes. The B.A programme has been running in the institution since the academic session 2006-07. The B.Sc. and M.A. programmes have been conducted since the academic session 2018-19. Further, the B.Ed., B.A.-B.Ed., and B.Sc.-B.Ed. programmes have also been running since the academic session 2018-19. Accordingly, the institution is a multidisciplinary college offering a diverse range of academic programmes across different streams at present, the institution is conducting multidisciplinary programmes with the requisite infrastructure, qualified faculty, and necessary facilities, in compliance with applicable norms. Relevant details and supporting documents in support of running multidisciplinary programmes are uploading for verification. viii. It is respectfully submitted that the institution is already running multidisciplinary programmes on the campus. The same is being conducted in accordance with Order No. UNVU/AM./2025/1739 dated 06-09-2025 issued by Jai Narain Vyas University. The earlier letter No. JNV/AF/2026/1985 dated 18/02/2026 pertained to further expansion and strengthening of multidisciplinary programmes from the academic session 2026-2027 and does not indicate the absence of such programmes. The B.A. programme has been running in the institution since the academic

session 2006-07. The B.Sc. and M.A. programmes have been conducted since the academic session 2018-19. Further, the B.Ed., B.A.-B.Ed., and B.Sc.-B.Ed. programmes have also been running since the academic session 2018-19. Accordingly, the institution is a multidisciplinary college offering a diverse range of academic programmes across different streams. At present, the institution is conducting multidisciplinary programmes with the requisite infrastructure, qualified faculty, and necessary facilities, in compliance with applicable norms. Relevant details and supporting documents in support of running multidisciplinary programmes are uploading for verification. ix. It is respectfully submitted that the Mutation (Jamabandi) Certificate issued by the competent authority of the State Government is already available with the institution and includes all Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers of the land. The said document has been duly maintained and forms part of the institutional records. The same has been uploaded for proper verification, clearly reflecting all required land details. x. It is respectfully submitted that the institution has permanently installed name boards on the college building at its prominent locations. The earlier flex board observed during inspection was only temporary however, the college now has proper permanent signage affixed on the building, ensuring clear and continuous identification of the institution. xi. It is respectfully submitted that the institution is paying salaries to all teaching staff strictly as per State Government norms, and the same is duly reflected in the bank statements uploaded by the institution. xii. The figure 4260 sq. m mentioned in the conversion order pertains only to a specific Khasra/initial stage of land conversion. The total built-up area of 7408 sq. m represents the actual constructed area of the institution building (multi-storey structure). Hence, there is no discrepancy, but a difference in reference points. xiii. The institution has uploaded the latest Building Completion Certificate in the prescribed NCTE 17-point format, clearly mentioning all Khasra numbers, plot details, and courses conducted, duly issued by the competent authority. xiv. It is respectfully submitted that the Building Plan, duly approved by the competent authority of the State already available and has been uploaded by the institution. The uploaded plan clearly indicates all required details, including: -Name of the Institution -Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers-Total land Area -Total Built-up Area – Course -wise demarcation of built-up area – Separate allocation for Teacher Education and Multidisciplinary Programmes. The institution confirms that the submitted building plan is complete in all respects and in compliance with NCTE norms and guidelines.”

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic and regulatory requirements stood fulfilled and that documents submitted before

the Appellate Authority were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the institution possessed requisite land of 10,115 sq. mtrs. with earmarked land and built-up area for B.Ed. and ITEP programmes, supported by conversion/CLU orders, Khasra change certificate and mutation records. The institution indicated that geotagged photographs of the multipurpose hall, library/reading room and permanent name boards, along with Building Safety Certificate, Building Completion Certificate and approved Building Plan had been furnished. It was further explained that the institutional website was functional and updated as per NCTE Regulations, 2014, the institution fulfilled multidisciplinary requirements, valid Fire Safety Certificate had been obtained, and salary disbursement through banking channels as per prescribed norms had been evidenced through bank statements.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 13.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution in appeal against the deficiencies communicated regarding Change of Land Use (CLU), land area and khasra details, infrastructure facilities, building safety/completion, website compliance, multidisciplinary status, salary payment to faculty, signage, and approved building plan for transition/recognition under the applicable NCTE norms. The appellant institution submitted that Khasra Nos. 2699/990 and 1048 had already been approved for educational use through the uploaded CLU, and that Khasra No. 986/2 had subsequently been converted for educational purposes vide Order No. PCCL/2025-26/117164 dated 23.04.2026, thereby covering the entire institutional land for educational use. It was further submitted that the total land area of the institution is 10,115 sq. metres, including all khasra numbers owned by the institution, and that the earlier discrepancy arose due to pending CLU classification of Khasra No. 986/2, which now stands regularized. Regarding land and built-up area, the appellant submitted that the figure of 4260 sq. metres referred only to a specific khasra/initial stage of land conversion, whereas the total built-up area of 7408 sq. metres represented the actual constructed multi-storey institutional infrastructure. It was

further submitted that the Mutation (Jamabandi) Certificate issued by the competent State authority, containing all khasra/plot details, had been uploaded for verification. The appellant institution further submitted that the Multipurpose Hall, Library Reading Room, Computer/ICT facilities and other infrastructure are available and compliant with prescribed NCTE norms. It was stated that earlier geotagged photographs may not have reflected complete arrangements; however, the requisite furniture, seating capacity and facilities have since been properly installed and updated geotagged photographs have been furnished. The appellant further submitted that the Building Safety Certificate bearing No. EE/SCR/2025-26/4549 dated 19.03.2026, issued by the competent Government authority, contains all requisite details including khasra numbers, institutional particulars and safety compliance, certifying the building as safe for educational purposes. It was also submitted that the latest Building Completion Certificate, in the prescribed NCTE 17-point format, and the State Government-approved Building Plan, indicating institution name, khasra details, total land area, total built-up area and separate demarcation of space for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes, had been uploaded. With regard to website compliance, the appellant submitted that the institutional website, namely "www.srbcollege.edu.in", is functional, updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and includes all mandatory disclosures. The appellant institution also submitted that it is already functioning as a multidisciplinary institution, conducting programmes in B.A. (since 2006–07), B.Sc. and M.A. (since 2018–19), and B.Ed., B.A.-B.Ed. and B.Sc.-B.Ed. (since 2018–19). It was stated that the multidisciplinary programmes are being conducted in accordance with Order No. UNVU/AM/2025/1739 dated 06.09.2025 issued by Jai Narain Vyas University, and that the subsequent university communication dated 18.02.2026 related only to further expansion/strengthening of programmes from the academic session 2026–27. Relevant supporting documents were stated to have been furnished. The appellant further submitted that permanent name boards have been installed on the college building at prominent locations and that the earlier flex board was temporary in nature. It was also submitted that salaries to teaching staff are being paid strictly in accordance with State Government norms, as reflected in the bank statements uploaded by the institution.

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural and regulatory requirements stood fulfilled and that documents submitted were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that requisite land and built-up area

earmarked for B.Ed. and ITEP programmes, along with CLU/Conversion Orders, Khasra change certificate and mutation records had been furnished. The institution indicated that Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate, Building Safety Certificate, geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities, functional website and valid Fire Safety Certificate had been submitted. It was further explained that multidisciplinary status, salary disbursement through banking channels and related compliance documents had also been placed on record.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable

statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 13.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure)-Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of

the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 13.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Shri Raghunath Bishnoi Memorial College, Khasra No. 2699/990, 1048, 986/2, Raniwara, District - Jalore, Rajasthan-343040.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The 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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-158/E-407739/2026 /7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615627-

Shri Krishan Co-Education College, Village-Harsoli Mundawar Road, Kotkasim, Dist.- Alwar, Rajasthan- 333308.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G- 7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Shri Praveen Kumar, Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shri Krishana Co-Education College, Village-Harsoli Mundawar Road, Kotkasim, Dist.- Alwar, Rajasthan-333308** dated 01.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509192915/2025/REJC/1991** dated **02.03.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “i. The institution has not uploaded the 'Fresh certificate of merger' issued by the Registrar of Societies as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. ii. A geotagged photograph shows Some part of college is under repair. iii. The institution has uploaded the Change of Land Use Certificate having Khasra No.4363/3359/2 whereas the institution in its online application has mentioned its address as 4632/3359/2. The Khasra Nos. do not match as per online application and as per Land Use Certificate uploaded by the institution. iv. The uploaded Certificate of Land Use (CLU) is not in the prescribed format in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) of the Rajasthan Urban Ares (Permission and Allotment of Use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes) Rules, 2012, nor mentions all Khasra/Plot/Survey numbers issued by the competent government authority. v. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. vi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the multi-purpose hall is not as per NCTE norms. The furniture in the multi-purpose hall is inadequate. vii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. viii. The name of applicant College is not reflected in the uploaded geotagged photo. ix. The uploaded geotagged photographs show that the computer lab, library and other labs are not in good condition. x. Institution has uploaded this Khasra No. 4363/3359/2 in the building plan. The institute has mentioned its address as 4632/3359/2 in its online application. As per the online application and the building plan uploaded by the institute, the Khasara numbers do not match. xi. The institution has not uploaded the building plan which mentions the names of all the courses run in the same premises of the institute, Khasra/Plot/Survey number and total land area and total built up area reserved for each course run in the locality and demarcated land and built-up area for teacher education programs including multi-disciplinary programmes. xii. The institute has not uploaded the demarcated land area and built-up area for the existing course/college/school and the proposed ITEP course, duly approved by the competent authority of the State Govt. xiii. KHASRA NO 4632/3359/2 LAND MUTATION CERTIFICATE BY GOVT COMPETENT AUTHORITY is uploáded by the institution. The institution in its online application has

mentioned its address as 4632/3359/2. The Khasra Nos. do not match as per online application and as per Mutation certificate uploaded by the institution. xiv. Even till the time of this scrutiny, the website of institution WWW.SK.C.IN/ has NOT been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. The institution is required to update the website as per NCTE regulations. xv. In the application form the institution has mentioned the land area as 8350 sqm, whereas the land documents are uploaded for only 2500 sqm of land this built-up area is not sufficient as per NCTE norms to run the all teacher education programmes. xvi. The institution has not uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. xvii. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. xviii. College Khasra Numbers/plot numbers and other things are not mentioned in the Uploaded building safety certificate No 1968 Dated 07/01/2026. The institution is required to upload Building Safety Certificate in adherence of safety guidelines prescribed by National/State Disaster Management Authority issued by Competent Government Authority. xix. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. xx. The institution has not uploaded the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body in the prescribed format of NCTE and teaching staff should be as per NCTE norms. xxi. The uploaded BCC is not proper. The institution has not uploaded latest and proper 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."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Shri Praveen Kumar, Principal of Shri Krishana Co-Education College, Village-Harsoli Mundawar Road, Kotkasim, Dist.- Alwar, Rajasthan-333308 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "i संस्थान ने बहुविषयक उच्च शिक्षा संस्थानों में परिवर्तित होने के लिए राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा प्रौद्योगिकी (NCTE) के दिशानिर्देशों के खंड 4.2.2 के तहत आवश्यक 'सोसायटी रजिस्ट्रार द्वारा जारी विलय का नया प्रमाण पत्र' अपलोड नहीं किया है। स्पष्टीकरण - आपके द्वारा लगाया गया अक्षेप की संस्था के बहुविषयक उच्च शिक्षा संस्थानों में परिवर्तित होने के लिए राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा प्रशिक्षण परिषद (NCTE) के

खंड 4.2.2 के तहत आवश्यक सोसायटी रजिस्टार द्वारा जारी विलय का नया प्रमाण पत्र अपलोड नहीं किया है। यह खंड 4.2.2 हमारे संस्थान पर लागू नहीं होता है क्योंकि दोनों महाविद्यालय एक ही सोसाइटी तथा एक ही नाम से संचालित है तथा दोनों ही एक ही परिसर में स्थित है। इसके संबंधित प्रमाण पत्र संबंधित विश्वविद्यालय एवं समक्ष प्राधिकारी प्राप्त कर लिया गया दोनों प्रमाण पत्र संलग्न है। ii. एक जियोटैग की गई तस्वीर से पता चलता है कि कॉलेज का कुछ हिस्सा मरम्मत के अधीन है। स्पष्टीकरण - कॉलेज का सम्पूर्ण भवन पूर्ण रूप से निर्मित एवं सुसज्जित है। कॉलेज के सम्पूर्ण जियोटैग फोटोग्राफ संलग्न है। iii. संस्थान ने खसरा संख्या 4363/3359/2 वाला भूमि उपयोग परिवर्तन प्रमाण पत्र अपलोड किया है, जबकि संस्थान ने अपने ऑनलाइन आवेदन में अपना पता 4632/3359/2 बताया है। खसरा संख्याएँ ऑनलाइन आवेदन और संस्थान द्वारा अपलोड किए गए भूमि उपयोग प्रमाण पत्र से मेल नहीं खाती हैं। स्पष्टीकरण - संस्थान कि भूमि खसरा नंबर 4363/3359/2 (पुराना नंबर) है तथा वर्तमान में जो खसरा नंबर 4632/3359 (नया नंबर) है। दोनों खसरे एक होने का सक्षम अधिकारी द्वारा जारी प्रमाण पत्र संलग्न है। iv. अपलोड किया गया भूमि उपयोग प्रमाण पत्र (CLU) राजस्थान शहरी क्षेत्र (कृषि भूमि के गैर-कृषि प्रयोजनों के लिए उपयोग की अनुमति और आवंटन) नियम, 2012 के नियम 7(1) के प्रपत्र-11 में निर्धारित प्रारूप में नहीं है, और न ही इसमें सक्षम सरकारी प्राधिकरण द्वारा जारी सभी खसरा/प्लॉट/सर्वेक्षण संख्याएँ उल्लिखित हैं। स्पष्टीकरण - भूमि उपयोग प्रमाण पत्र (CLU) राजस्थान शहरी क्षेत्र (कृषि भूमि के गैर-कृषि प्रयोजनों के लिए उपयोग की अनुमति और आवंटन) नियम, 2012 के नियम 7(1) के प्रपत्र-11 में निर्धारित प्रारूप अर्थात् परिशिष्ट-13 प्राप्त कर लिया गया है जिसमें चाही गई समस्त जानकारी प्रदर्शित है। v. अपलोड की गई जियोटैग वाली तस्वीरों से पता चलता है कि कॉलेज में पर्याप्त खेल के मैदान और खेल सुविधाएं नहीं हैं। स्पष्टीकरण - कॉलेज में पर्याप्त खेल के मैदान और खेल सुविधाएं हैं। खेल के मैदान और खेल सुविधाएं से संबंधित जियोटैग फोटो संलग्न है। vi. अपलोड की गई जियोटैग वाली तस्वीरों से पता चलता है कि बहुउद्देशीय हॉल एनसीटीई मानकों के अनुसार नहीं है। स्पष्टीकरण- महाविद्यालय का बहुउद्देशीय हॉल एनसीटीई मानकों के अनुसार है। बहुउद्देशीय हॉल में सभी सुविधाओं से युक्त पर्याप्त फर्नीचर एवं स्थान है। बहुउद्देशीय हॉल कि जियोटैग फोटोग्राफ संलग्न है। vii. अपलोड की गई जियोटैग वाली तस्वीरों से पता चलता है कि पुस्तकालय के वाचनालय की बैठने की क्षमता एनसीटीई मानकों के अनुसार पर्याप्त नहीं है। स्पष्टीकरण- महाविद्यालय के पुस्तकालय के वाचनालय पर्याप्त सुविधाओं से सुसज्जित। पुस्तकालय के वाचनालय की बैठने की क्षमता एनसीटीई मानकों के अनुसार पर्याप्त है। वाचनालय से संबंधित

जियोटैग फोटो संलग्न है। viii. अपलोड की गई जियोटैग वाली तस्वीर में आवेदक कॉलेज का नाम नहीं दिख रहा है। **स्पष्टीकरण-** आवेदक कॉलेज के नाम वाली जियोटैग फोटोग्राफ संलग्न है। सभफोटोग्राफ मे आवेदक कॉलेज (SHRI KRISHAN CO-EDU COLLEGE HARSAULI) का नाम स्प रूप से प्रदर्शित हो रहा है। ix. अपलोड की गई जियोटैग वाली तस्वीरों से पता चलता है कि कंप्यूटर लैब पुस्तकालय और अन्य प्रयोगशालाएँ अच्छी स्थिति में नहीं हैं। **स्पष्टीकरण -** महाविद्यालय कि कम्प्युटर लैब, पुस्तकालय और अन्य सभप्रयोगशालाएँ अच्छी स्थिति में एवं सभी सुविधाओं से सुसज्जित है। कम्प्युटर लैब पुस्तकाल और अन्य सभी प्रयोगशालाएँ से संबन्धित जियोटैग कि फोटोग्राफ संलग्न है। x. संस्थान ने भवन योजना में खसरा संख्या 4363/3359/2 अपलोड की है। संस्थान ने अपने ऑनलाइन आवेदन में अपना पता 4632/3359/2 बताया है। ऑनलाइन आवेदन और संस्थान द्वारा अपलोड की गई भवन योजना के अनुसार, खसरा संख्याएँ मेल नहीं खाती हैं। **स्पष्टीकरण-** संस्थान कि भूमि खसरा नंबर 4363/3359/2 (पुराना नंबर) है तथा वर्तमान में जो खसरा नंबर 4632/3359 (नया नंबर) है। दोनों खसरे एक होने का सक्षम अधिकारी द्वार जारी प्रमाण पत्र संलग्न है। xi. संस्थान ने भवन योजना अपलोड नहीं की है जिसमें संस्थान के परिसर में संचालित सभी पाठ्यक्रमों के नाम, खसरा/प्लॉट/सर्वेक्षण संख्या और प्रत्येक पाठ्यक्रम के लिए आरक्षित कुल भूमि क्षेत्र और कुल निर्मित क्षेत्र तथा बहु-विषयक कार्यक्रमों सहित शिक्षक शिक्षा कार्यक्रमों के लिए सीमांकित भूमि और निर्मित क्षेत्र का उल्लेख हो। **स्पष्टीकरण -** संस्थान ने नवीनतम भवन योजना बनवा ली है जिसमें संस्थान के परिसर में संचालित सभी पाठ्यक्रमों के नाम, खसरा/प्लॉट/सर्वेक्षण संख्या और प्रत्येक पाठ्यक्रम के लिए आरक्षित कुल भूमि क्षेत्र और कुल निर्मित क्षेत्र तथा बहु-विषयक कार्यक्रमों सहित शिक्षक शिक्षा कार्यक्रमों के लिए सीमांकित भूमि और निर्मित क्षेत्र का उल्लेख हो। नवीनतम भवन योजना (Blue-Print) संलग्न है। xii. संस्थान ने राज्य सरकार के सक्षम प्राधिकारी द्वारा विधिवत अनुमोदित मौजूदा पाठ्यक्रम/कॉलेज/स्कूल और प्रस्तावित ITEP पाठ्यक्रम के लिए सीमांकित भूमि क्षेत्र और निर्मित क्षेत्र अपलोड नहीं किया है। **स्पष्टीकरण -** विधिवत अनुमोदित सभी पाठ्यक्रमों के निर्मित क्षेत्र का नवीनतम भवन योजना (Blue-Print) संलग्न है। xiii. संस्था द्वारा सरकारी सक्षम प्राधिकारी द्वारा जारी खसरा संख्या 4632/3359/2 भूमि उत्परिवर्तन प्रमाण पत्र अपलोड किया गया है। संस्था ने अपने ऑनलाइन आवेदन में अपना पता 4632/3359/2 बताया है। खसरा संख्याएँ ऑनलाइन आवेदन और संस्था द्वारा अपलोड किए गए उत्परिवर्तन प्रमाण पत्र के अनुसार मेल नहीं खाती हैं। **स्पष्टीकरण-** संस्थान कि भूमि पूर्व खसरा नंबर 4363/3359/2 (पुराना नंबर) है तथा वर्तमान मे जो खसरा नंबर 4632/3359 (नया नंबर) है। दोनों खसरे एक

होने का सक्षम अधिकारी द्वारा जारी प्रमाण पत्र संलग्न है। xiv. इस जाँच के समय तक भी, संस्था की वेबसाइट WWW.SK.C.IN/ को समय-समय पर संशोधित NCTE विनियम, 2014 के खंड 7 (14) (i), 8 (6), 8 (14) और 10 (3) के प्रावधानों के अनुपालन में अद्यतन और अनुरक्षित नहीं किया गया है। संस्था को NCTE विनियमों के अनुसार वेबसाइट को अद्यतन करना आवश्यक है। **स्पष्टीकरण** - संस्था की वेबसाइट WWW.SK.C.IN/ को समय-समय पर संशोधित अद्यतन और अनुरक्षित किया जा रहा है। संस्था की वेबसाइट WWW.SK.C.IN/ को ऑनलाइन check किया जा सकता है। xv. आवेदन पत्र में संस्था ने भूमि क्षेत्र 8350 वर्ग मीटर बताया है, जबकि भूमि संबंधी दस्तावेज केवल 2500 वर्ग मीटर भूमि के लिए अपलोड किए गए हैं। यह निर्मित क्षेत्र एनसीटीई के मानदंडों के अनुसार सभी शिक्षक शिक्षा कार्यक्रमों को चलाने के लिए पर्याप्त नहीं है। **स्पष्टीकरण** - वर्तमान में संस्था के कुल भूमि क्षेत्र 10625 वर्ग मीटर है। जिसमें खसरा नंबर 4632/3359 (नया नंबर) का कुल क्षेत्रफल 2500 वर्ग मीटर तथा खसरा नंबर 344 एवं खसरा नंबर 345 का कुल क्षेत्रफल 8125 वर्ग मीटर है। इस प्रकार संस्था कि शैक्षणिक प्रयोजनार्थ कुल भूमि क्षेत्र 10625 वर्ग मीटर है। यह क्षेत्र एनसीटीई के मानदंडों के अनुसार सभी शिक्षक शिक्षा कार्यक्रमों को चलाने के लिए पर्याप्त है। कुल भूमि क्षेत्र से संबन्धित दस्तावेज संलग्न है। xvi. संस्थान ने राजस्थान सरकार के अग्निशमन विभाग द्वारा जारी अग्नि सुरक्षा प्रमाणपत्र अपलोड नहीं किया है, जिसे राजस्थान सरकार के अग्निशमन विभाग के आधिकारिक पोर्टल https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx पर सत्यापित किया जा सकता है। **स्पष्टीकरण** - संस्थान ने राजस्थान सरकार के अग्निशमन विभाग द्वारा जारी नवीनतम अग्नि सुरक्षा प्रमाणपत्र अपलोड किया है, जिसे राजस्थान सरकार के अग्निशमन विभाग के आधिकारिक पोर्टल https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx पर सत्यापित किया जा सकता है। नवीनतम अग्नि सुरक्षा प्रमाणपत्र संलग्न है। xvii. संस्थान ने राजस्थान सरकार द्वारा जारी वह प्रमाणपत्र अपलोड नहीं किया है जो क्षेत्र में शिक्षक शिक्षा कार्यक्रम की आवश्यकता को प्रमाणित करता हो, जैसा कि बहुविषयक उच्च शिक्षा संस्थानों में परिवर्तित होने के लिए राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा प्रौद्योगिकी (NCTE) के दिशानिर्देशों के खंड 4.2.2 के तहत आवश्यक है। **स्पष्टीकरण**-संस्थान ने राज्य सरकार द्वारा जारी प्रमाण पत्र के लिए आवेदन किया हुआ जो प्रक्रियाधिन है। NOC कि प्रक्रिया राज्य सरकार में विभाग के पास लंबित है। प्राप्त होते ही पेश कर दिया जाएगा है। **स्पष्टीकरण** - आपके द्वारा लगाया गया आपेक्ष की संस्थान ने राजस्थान सरकार द्वारा जारी वह प्रमाण पत्र अपलोड नहीं किया है जो क्षेत्र में शिक्षक शिक्षा कार्यक्रम की आवश्यकता को प्रमाणित करता हो जैसे कि बहुविषयक उच्च शिक्षा संस्थानों में परिवर्तित होने के लिए राष्ट्रीय

शिक्षा प्रशिक्षण परिषद (NCTE) के दिशा निर्देशों के खंड 4.2.2 के तहत आवश्यक है लेकिन संस्थान पर खंड 4.2.2 लागू नहीं होता है क्योंकि दोनों कॉलेज एक ही सोसाइटी द्वारा संचालित होते हैं। फिर भी राज्य सरकार की NOC के लिए आवेदन किया गया है जो की प्रक्रियाधीन है प्रमाण पत्र जारी होते ही आपके समक्ष पेश कर दिया जाएगा। xviii. अपलोड किए गए भवन सुरक्षा प्रमाणपत्र संख्या 1968 दिनांक 07/01/2026 में कॉलेज खसरा संख्या/प्लॉट संख्या और अन्य जानकारी का उल्लेख नहीं है। संस्थान को सक्षम सरकारी प्राधिकरण द्वारा जारी राष्ट्रीय/राज्य आपदा प्रबंधन प्राधिकरण के सुरक्षा दिशानिर्देशों के अनुपालन में भवन सुरक्षा प्रमाणपत्र अपलोड करना आवश्यक है। **स्पष्टीकरण-** संस्थान द्वारा नवीनतम भवन सुरक्षा प्रमाण पत्र प्राप्त कर लिया गया आपके द्वारा चाहा गया नवीनतम भवन सुरक्षा प्रमाण पत्र संलग्न है। xix. संस्थान द्वारा अपलोड किए गए बैंक स्टेटमेंट से यह सुनिश्चित नहीं किया जा सकता वेतन केंद्र/राज्य सरकार के वेतनमान के अनुसार दिया जा रहा है। **स्पष्टीकरण-** संस्थान द्वारा अंतिम छः माह कर्मचारियों के वेतन का सम्पूर्ण बैंक स्टेटमेंट संल कर दिया है संस्थान द्वारा सभी कर्मचारियों को वेतनमान केंद्र/राज्य सरकार के वेतनमान एव नियुक्ति प्रक्रिया के दौरान कर्मचारियों कि सहमति के अनुसार दिया जा रहा है। xx. संस्थान ने एनसीटीई के निर्धारित प्रारूप में संबद्ध निकाय द्वारा विधिवत अनुमोदित और प्रतिहस्ताक्षरित शिक्षण स्टाफ की सूची अपलोड नहीं की है, जबकि शिक्षण स्टाफ एनसीटी मानदंडों के अनुसार होना चाहिए। **स्पष्टीकरण -** संस्थान ने एनसीटीई के निर्धारित प्रारूप में संबद्ध निकाय द्वारा विधिवत अनुमोदित और प्रतिहस्ताक्षरित शिक्षण स्टाफ की सूची तैयार कर ली गई है। संबद्ध निकाय द्वारा विधिवत अनुमोदित और प्रतिहस्ताक्षरित शिक्षण स्टाफ की सूची संलग्न है। xxi. अपलोड किया गया बिल्डिंग कंप्लीशन सर्टिफिकेट (बीसीसी) उचित नहीं है। संस्थान ने परिसर में संचालित सभी पाठ्यक्रमों के लिए सक्षम सरकारी प्राधिकरण द्वारा जारी एनसीटीई (17 बिंदु) के निर्धारित प्रारूप में नवीनतम और उचित बिल्डिंग कंप्लीशन सर्टिफिकेट (बीसीसी) अपलोड नहीं किया है। **स्पष्टीकरण -** संस्थान द्वारा नवीनतम बिल्डिंग कंप्लीशन सर्टिफिकेट (बीबीसी) बना लिया गया है। संस्थान ने परिसर में संचालित सभी पाठ्यक्रमों के लिए सक्षम सरकारी प्राधिकरण द्वारा जारी एनसीटीई (17 बिंदु) के निर्धारित प्रारूप में नवीनतम और उचित बिल्डिंग कंप्लीशन सर्टिफिकेट (बीसीसी) संलग्न है। The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted/uploaded before the Appellate Authority

were genuine, valid and capable of verification by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that Requirement/Recommendation Certificate from the State Government under Clause 4.2.1 and approvals relating to multidisciplinary integration/merger arrangement had been obtained from the competent authorities. The institution further submitted that valid Fire Safety Certificate, land ownership and CLU documents, Mutation Certificate, Khasra verification records, approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate had been furnished. It was also indicated that the institutional website had been updated in compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014, geotagged photographs of infrastructure facilities had been uploaded, salary payment through banking channels had been demonstrated and the teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body had been submitted in prescribed NCTE format.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 25.09.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 02.03.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Shri Krishan Co-Edu College, Harsauli, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies communicated regarding merger certificate under the NCTE transition guidelines, land records/CLU, khasra discrepancies, infrastructure facilities, building plan and completion certificate, website compliance, fire and building safety certification, staffing, salary payment, and requirement justification for transition to a multidisciplinary institution. The appellant institution submitted that the requirement of a fresh merger certificate issued by the Registrar of Societies under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transition to Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions was not applicable, as both colleges are being run by the same society, under the same name and within the same campus, and that supporting certifications from the affiliating university and competent authorities had been obtained and furnished. Regarding deficiencies relating to land records and khasra particulars, the appellant submitted that the institutional land originally comprised Khasra No. 4363/3359/2 (old number), which presently stands recorded as Khasra No.

4632/3359 (new number), and a certificate issued by the competent authority confirming both khasra numbers as relating to the same land had been submitted. It was further submitted that a revised Change of Land Use (CLU) Certificate in the prescribed format under Rule 7(1), Form-11 of the Rajasthan Urban Area (Permission for Use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 had been obtained and furnished. The appellant also submitted that the institution possesses a total land area of 10,625 sq. metres, comprising Khasra No. 4632/3359 (2500 sq. metres) and Khasra Nos. 344 and 345 (8125 sq. metres), which was stated to be adequate for conduct of all teacher education programmes in accordance with NCTE norms. The appellant institution further submitted that the building plan (blueprint) had been updated and furnished, indicating names of all courses conducted, khasra/plot details, total land area, total built-up area and earmarked built-up space for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes. It was also submitted that a latest Building Completion Certificate (BCC) in the prescribed NCTE 17-point format and a latest Building Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority had been obtained and uploaded. With regard to infrastructure-related deficiencies, the appellant submitted that the college building is fully constructed and furnished, and that adequate sports facilities, multipurpose hall, library reading room, computer laboratory, library and other laboratories are available in conformity with NCTE norms. It was stated that updated geotagged photographs evidencing the same had been furnished. The appellant further submitted that the institutional name board displaying "SHRI KRISHAN CO-EDU COLLEGE HARSAULI" is prominently displayed on the building and supporting geotagged photographs had been submitted. The appellant institution also submitted that the institutional website, namely "www.sk.c.in", is updated and maintained in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and remains accessible online. Regarding fire safety, the appellant submitted that the latest Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority of the Government of Rajasthan had been uploaded and is verifiable through the State Government portal. The appellant further submitted that an application seeking State Government requirement/NOC certificate for teacher education programme under the relevant NCTE transition guidelines had already been submitted and was under process before the State authorities. It was also submitted that the institution had furnished the teaching staff list in the prescribed NCTE format, duly approved and countersigned by the affiliating body, and that salaries to employees are being paid in accordance with applicable Central/State Government pay scales and mutually agreed service conditions, supported by bank statements for the preceding six months. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and applicable Guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents furnished before the Appellate

Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that requisite approvals relating to multidisciplinary integration, land/CLU, Fire Safety Certificate, Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate and revenue records had been furnished. The institution further indicated that the website had been updated in compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014, geotagged infrastructure photographs had been uploaded, salary payment through banking channels had been evidenced and the teaching staff list in prescribed format had been submitted.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE

Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 02.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE

Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 02.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Shri Krishana Co-Education College, Village-Harsoli Mundawar Road, Kotkasim, Dist.- Alwar, Rajasthan-333308.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **The 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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-161/E-408160/2026/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615626 -

Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 1787, Village - Bissau, Street/Road-Jhunjhunu Road, Taluka/Mandal-Bissau, District-Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan-331027.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector -- 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Dr. Sanjay Kumar Sharma, Secretary
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 1787, Village - Bissau, Street/Road-Jhunjhunu Road, Taluka/Mandal-Bissau, District-Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan-331027** dated 01.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509303508/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/560** dated 07.04.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. Till this time of verification, the website of the institution has not been compliance as per NCTE Regulations, 2014 of para 7(14)(1), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) as amended from time to time. ii. The uploaded document is irrelevant/not proper. The proposal for collaboration between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. iii. The institution has not uploaded latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by Competent Authority of State Government indicating that the land is free from all encumbrances issued by Competent Government Authority. iv. TEI has uploaded fire safety certificate in the name of "SHRI GOVIND SHIKSHAN PRASHIKSHAN MAHAVIDYALAYA SAMITI" valid up to 13-05-2027 with approved plot area 2348 sq.mts. In land details, land area mentioned 13600 sq.mts. Both land area mismatch. v. The application institution applied online for Collaboration with reference to Multidisciplinary programme and institution upload the letter of Merger. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. vi. The uploaded document is irrelevant. The proposal for collaboration between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. The institution is required to upload the approved letter regarding the same. vii. The uploaded NEC is old. The institution has not uploaded latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by Competent Authority of State Government indicating that the land is free from all encumbrances issued by Competent Government Authority. viii. The name of applicant College is not reflected in the geotagged photo uploaded. ix. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. x. Computer labs and ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. xi. The institution has not uploaded university approved teaching staff-list in the prescribed format of NCTE and as per NCTE norms. xii. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the

institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. xiii. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. Uploaded CLU is not in specific format. xiv. 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. xv. Institution is running various teacher education programme/courses in the same campus/premises i.e., Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) degree 2 units, Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed.) 1 unit. The sufficiency of land and built-up area for the above courses with of and intake for B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), cave courses wit ascertained. Note: - Institution mentioned that applicant institution and collaboration institution both are run in same premises. they are running B.A. $120 \times 3 = 360$ and B.Sc. $60 \times 3 = 180$. in the Land Details Built Up area mentioned in the Affidavit (in sq. m) 5009, This built-up area is not sufficient to run the above courses.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Dr. Sanjay Kumar Sharma, Secretary of Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 1787, Village - Bissau, Street/Road-Jhunjhunu Road, Taluka/Mandal-Bissau, District-Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan-331027 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “1. In reference to Point No. 1, The institution submits that, in response to the deficiencies communicated in the 449th meeting (Part-II) of WRC, it had already updated its website accordingly. However, as this point has been reiterated under the deficiencies once again, the institution has further updated its website (Website -sgspm.co.in) to ensure full compliance. For the purpose of evidence, relevant screenshots of the updated website are being submitted herewith. 2. In reference to Point No. 2, the submission of the institution is as follows: The institution states that it had earlier applied for collaboration under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE guidelines. However, since both institutions-Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya and Shri Balika Mahavidyalaya-are being operated under the same society, the institution passed a formal resolution in this regard. Thereafter, after obtaining approval from the concerned university, Deendayal Upadhyay University, Sikar, for transforming into a multidisciplinary institution, the institution proceeded accordingly. Consequently, in place of collaboration, a Memorandum of Merger was executed and duly

approved by the University vide letter/order no. SGSPM/1975 dated 06/04/2026. 3. In reference to Point No. 3, the institution submits that, in response to the deficiency raised, it has attached the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate issued by the State Government through the competent authority, Tehsildar, Bisau, District Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan, vide order no. 2026/179 dated 17/04/2026. 4. In reference to Point No. 4, the institution submits as follows: The institution states that the plot area on which the building has been constructed was duly mentioned in the Fire Safety Certificate on the first page under the heading "Plot Area." However, the same appears to have been interpreted by the WRC as the total land area. It is further submitted that, as per the norms of the Fire Safety Department, only the area of the land on which the building is constructed is required to be mentioned. For evidentiary purposes, the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the office of the Fire Safety Department, Bisau, under the jurisdiction of Nagar Palika Bisau, has been Attached. The said certificate bears reference no. 48368 dated 14/05/2025. 5. In reference to Point No. 5, the institution submits as follows: At the time of the online application, the institution had entered into a collaboration with another institution SHRI GOVIND BALIKA MAHAVIDYALAYA, which was being operated by a different society. Subsequently, Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya Samiti, with due approval from the State Government and the concerned University, merged the said society and institution into its own society. Accordingly, the institution, through a duly passed resolution, decided to proceed with a Memorandum of Merger in place of the earlier collaboration arrangement. As a result, both colleges have now been brought under the same society and integrated accordingly. For evidentiary purposes, the institution has ATTACHED complete details of the process along with supporting documents, including: (i) Resolution of Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya Samiti (Proposal No. 2), (ii) NOC issued by the Government of Rajasthan, and (iii) Approval letter issued by the concerned University (Deendayal Upadhyay University). 6. In reference to Point No. 6, the institution submits as follows: The institution states that, in response to the deficiency raised, it has ATTACHED the approval letter issued by the University regarding the merger. The said approval letter, bearing reference no. 38828-29 dated 06/04/2026, has been duly obtained from the University and Attached by the institution as evidence. 7. In reference to Point No. 7, the institution submits as follows:- The institution states that the Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) submitted earlier was considered outdated by the WRC. Accordingly, the institution has obtained the latest NEC issued by the office of the Tehsildar, Bisau, bearing reference no. 2026/179 dated 17/04/2026, and the same has been duly Attached by the institution as evidence. 8. In reference to the deficiency pointed out by the WRC, the institution submits that it has re-attached geo-tagged photographs of the applicant college. The earlier photographs did not clearly display the name of the college on the signboard therefore, fresh geo-tagged photographs clearly showing the college name have now been Attached as evidence. 9. In

reference to Point No. 9 and the deficiency raised by the WRC, the institution submits as follows: The institution states that the library has an area of 1080 square feet and provides seating arrangements for approximately 50 to 60 students. Further, the institution has re-attached geo-tagged photographs clearly depicting the seating arrangement of the library as evidence. 10. In reference to Point No. 10 and the deficiency raised by the WRC, the institution submits as follows:- The institution states that it has arranged and updated the facilities in the Computer Lab and ICT Lab. Further, geo-tagged photographs clearly depicting the available facilities in the said labs have been taken and Attached as evidence. 11. In reference to Point No. 11, the institution submits as follows: The institution states that it has obtained approval of its teaching staff list from Deendayal Upadhyay University, Sikar. The said list has been duly approved by the Registrar of the University and has been Attached by the institution as evidence. 12. With reference to Point No. 12, it is submitted on behalf of the Institution that the salary of the teaching staff is determined in accordance with the policy/guidelines issued by the Government of Rajasthan for private institutions, wherein the same is based on the tuition fee received from students, while ensuring compliance with the applicable pay scale norms prescribed by the State Government. It is further submitted that the Institution is disbursing salaries to the teaching staff in accordance with the prescribed pay scale norms. In support thereof, the Institution has Attached the salary statements of the teaching staff, duly certified and authenticated with the seal of the concerned bank. 13. In reference to Point No. 13 and the deficiency raised by the WRC, the institution submits as follows: The institution states that it possesses a total land area of 13,600 square meters under Khasra No. 1787. Out of this, 5,457.81 square meters falls under Patta No. 47 & 48 is 2,506.78 square meters is recorded, and patta number 53 total land area is 2976 square metre, and patta number 107 total land area is 1755 square metre. The total land calculation $(2,506.78 + 2,976 + 1,755)$ 7,237.78 square meters. After deducting this from the total land of 13,600 square meters, the remaining land measures 6,362.22 square meters. Further, under Khasra No. 1914, the total land area is 10,000 square meters. Out of the remaining 6,362.22 square meters, the institution has earmarked this land as additional land for its degree course. For evidentiary purposes, the institution has Attached the Land and Building Certificate issued by the competent authority, duly certifying the land in possession of the educational institution. 14. In reference to the relevant deficiency of point number 14, the institution submits as follows: The institution states that its building plan has been duly approved by the competent authority of the State Government, i.e., the PWD Department Bissau district Jhunjhunu. The approved plan clearly mentions the Khasra number 1787 and plot numbers 47,48, 53 & 107, and also reflects the total land area of 13,600 square meters. Further, the built-up area earmarked for the Teacher Training Programme has been specifically indicated as BLOCK A. In addition, separate land and built-up area have also been distinctly shown for the multidisciplinary

programme. For evidentiary purposes, the institution has Attached the approved building plan, wherein all the above-mentioned details are clearly specified as prescribed. 15. In reference to this point no 15. institution has total land area. 13600 sq.mts. and built-up area 6168 sq.mts. which is sufficient for multi-disciplinary courses as well as integrated course. In 2015-16 when institution first apply for integrated course, now institution is running only BA, B.Sc., B.A.B.Ed. & B.Sc.B.Ed. with sufficient infrastructure and Lab facilities. Furthermore, the institution wishes to state that the land-related documents, as specified in the Government of Rajasthan Policy 2021-22 dated 11/02/2021 circular a concerning college, are also being attached. As per state govt. norms Institution have More than 8 classrooms of area more than 600 sq. ft. and more than 20 classrooms, area greater than 500 sq.ft. along with this Sufficient number of teaching rooms, staff rooms, common rooms, toilet blocks are there. As being multidisciplinary Institution there are 6 Labs which highly equipped do with advanced instruments and research facilities. Above infrastructure Institution is also registered as research centre in Botany and Chemistry in University of Dindayal Upadhyay Sikar. A Library (1080 sq.ft.) with internet facility & sufficient number of books. Institution has one multipurpose hall 3294 sq.ft.), 3 smart room, playground Canteen, Music Room & Sports facility for Students. To caters Students, we have barrier free Premises with Ramps, & CWSN Toilets. With a green Premises we have Botanical Garden, Rainwater Harvesting & Solar System also." The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic and regulatory requirements stood fulfilled and that documents furnished before the Appellate Authority were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the institutional website had been updated and made functional in compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014. The institution indicated that merger/integration between the teacher education institution and multidisciplinary institution under the same society had been approved by the affiliating body and State Government. It was further explained that latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate, valid Fire Safety Certificate, Requirement NOC from the State Government, Land Use Certificate, approved Building Plan and land ownership documents had been furnished. The institution affirmed that geotagged photographs relating to the college building, library/reading room and computer lab/ICT resources, teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body and salary records evidencing payment through banking channels had also been submitted.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 05.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 07.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies communicated by the WRC vide order dated 07.04.2026 relating to website compliance, multidisciplinary integration/merger arrangement, Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), Fire Safety Certificate, requirement justification, geo-tagged photographs, infrastructure, teaching staff approval, salary payment, land documents, building plan and adequacy of land and built-up area. The appellant institution submitted that the institutional website, namely www.sgspm.co.in, had been updated in compliance with the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and relevant screenshots evidencing mandatory disclosures had been furnished. It was further submitted that the institution, which had initially applied under the collaboration category, subsequently adopted a merger arrangement as both Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya and Shri Govind Balika Mahavidyalaya are now operated under the same society, namely Shri Govind Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya Samiti, after approval of the State Government and Deendayal Upadhyay University, Sikar. It was submitted that a Memorandum of Merger, society resolution, State Government approval dated 10.02.2026, and University approval dated 06.04.2026 had been furnished. The appellant further submitted that the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by the Tehsildar, Bisau, District Jhunjhunu, vide Certificate No. 179 dated 17.04.2026, had been submitted. With regard to the Fire Safety Certificate, it was submitted that the certificate issued by the competent authority bearing Reference No. 48368 dated 14.05.2025, valid up to 13.05.2027, had been furnished, and clarification was provided that the plot area reflected therein pertained only to the built-up portion as per Fire Department norms. The appellant institution further submitted that the requirement/NOC regarding justification of teacher education programme in the area had been obtained from the Department of College Education, Government of Rajasthan, vide Order No. 20430474 dated 10.02.2026, in terms of the applicable NCTE Guidelines. It was also

submitted that updated geo-tagged photographs of the college building displaying the signboard, library, reading room, computer/ICT laboratory and institutional facilities had been furnished. The institution claimed that the library (1080 sq. ft.), computer/ICT labs, classrooms, laboratories, multipurpose hall, sports facilities and other instructional infrastructure are available in conformity with prescribed norms. The appellant further submitted that the teaching staff list, duly approved/countersigned by the affiliating university in the prescribed NCTE format, had been furnished, along with salary statements and bank records evidencing payment of salary to teaching staff in accordance with applicable State Government norms. Regarding land and infrastructure, the appellant institution submitted that it possesses a total land area of 13,600 sq. metres under Khasra Nos. 1787 and 1914, supported by patta documents and Land Use/CLU Certificates dated 27.04.2026 issued by Nagarpalika Bisau. It was further submitted that the approved building plan, issued by the PWD Office, Bissau, Jhunjhunu, clearly reflects khasra particulars, courses conducted, earmarked built-up area for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes, and that the institution has a total built-up area of 6168 sq. metres, stated to be adequate for multidisciplinary and integrated teacher education programmes. The appellant institution also submitted that it possesses adequate classrooms, laboratories, smart rooms, multipurpose hall, library, sports facilities, barrier-free access and research infrastructure, including recognition as a research centre in Botany and Chemistry by Deendayal Upadhyay University, Sikar. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural and regulatory requirements stood fulfilled and that documents submitted were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the institutional website had been updated, merger/integration approval from the affiliating body and State Government had been obtained, and requisite Non-Encumbrance Certificate, Fire Safety Certificate and Requirement NOC from the State Government had been furnished. The institution indicated that Land Use Certificate, approved Building Plan, land ownership records, geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities, teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body and salary records through banking channels had also been submitted.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is-founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE

(Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional

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Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 07.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 07.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.--

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. The 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.



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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-162/E-408163/2026/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615623 -

Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Sansthan, Survey no. 7 BHD, Village - Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sh. Dr. Suresh Kumar, Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Sansthan, Survey no. 7 BHD, Village - Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501** dated 01.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no.F. No. **NCTE/WRC/2627202509162534/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1715** dated 02.03.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The institution has stated that it is running the Liberal Arts Courses and has attached the affiliation order from the University in name of Shri Shyam mahila Shikshan Sansthan which is different from the name granted recognition by NCTE i.e., Shri Shyam Shikshak Prashikshan Sansthn. ii. Even till the time of this scrutiny, the website of institution <https://ssspabhadra.org/> has NOT been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(1), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. iii. As per the land details Column mentioned by the institution land area is 15680 sq. mts, whereas mentioned land area in the Fire NOC portal is 2200 sq. mts. The land area is mismatch. The institution has not uploaded the proper Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL <https://isgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/trackapplication.aspx>. iv. The institution itself has applied under category of Merger and now it is stating that it is a multi-disciplinary institution The same institution has also submitted the application for ITEP course on the same in the name of SHRI SHYAM MAHILA MAHAVIDYALYA (2627202509162533), which has been decided for Inspection. Moreover, the institution has shown the Merger with the institution on the basis of which the WRC has decided the inspection of the earlier institution i.e., SHRI SHYAM MAHILA MAHAVIDYALYA (2627202509162533) The institution has not uploaded documentary evidence that both institutions proposed for Merger are affiliated with the same university, as required under Clause 4.2(ii) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. The proposal for 'merger' between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. v. The NEC uploaded is issued in Feb 2021. The institution has not uploaded the latest NEC issued by the Competent Authority vi. The institution has not uploaded the building plan which mentions the names of all the courses run in the same premises of the institute, Khasra/Plot/Survey number and total land area and total built up area reserved for each course run in the locality and demarcated land and built up area for teacher education programs including multi-disciplinary programmes vii. It cannot be

ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. viii. The institution has not uploaded the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body in the prescribed format of NCTE and teaching staff should be as per NCTE norms ix. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. x. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the multi-purpose hall is not as per NCTE norms. The furniture in the multi-purpose hall is inadequate. xi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms xii. Computer labs and ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. xiii. The institution has stated that it is running the Liberal Arts Courses and has attached the affiliation order from the University in name of Shri Shyam mahila Shikshan Sansthan which is different from the name granted recognition by NCTE i.e. Shri Shyam Shikshak Prashikshan Sansthn. The institution itself has applied under category of Merger and now it is stating that it is a multi-disciplinary institution The same institution has also submitted the application for ITEP course on the same in the name of SHRI SHYAM MAHILA MAHAVIDYALYA (2627202509162533), which has been decided for Inspection. Moreover, the institution has shown the Merger with the institution on the basis of which the WRC has decided the inspection of the earlier institution i.e. SHRI SHYAM MAHILA MAHAVIDYALYA (2627202509162533) The institution has not uploaded documentary evidence that both institutions proposed for Merger are affiliated with the same university, as required under Clause 4.2(ii) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. The proposal for 'merger' between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. xiv. As per given geographic Location, name of applicant institution is not showing in google map. xv. The institution has stated that it is Shiksnan sansthan which is different from the name granted recognition by NCTE i.e., Shri Shyam Shikshak Prashikshan Sansthan. The institution itself has applied under category of Merger and now it is stating that it is a multi-disciplinary institution The same institution has also submitted the application for ITEP course on the same in the name of SHRI SHYAM MAHILA MAHAVIDYALYA (2627202509162533), which has been decided for Inspection. Moreover, the institution has shown the Merger with the institution on the basis of which the WRC has decided the inspection of the earlier institution i.e., SHRI SHYAM MAHILA MAHAVIDYALYA (2627202509162533). The institution has not uploaded documentary evidence that both institutions proposed for Merger are affiliated with the same university, as required under Clause 4.2(ii) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. The proposal for 'merger' between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines

for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. xvi. As per the land details Column, institution has mentioned Khasra No.7 BHD land area is 15680 sq.mts. whereas in the uploaded CLU, land area is 2245 sq.mts. The land area is mismatch. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. xvii. College Khasra Numbers/plot numbers and other things are not mentioned in the Uploaded building safety certificate S. no. 20441661 issued on dated 10/02/2026. xviii. The same institution has also submitted the application for ITEP course on the same in the name of SHRI SHYAM MAHILA MAHAVIDYALYA (2627202509162533), which has been decided for Inspection.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Dr. Suresh Kumar, Principal from Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Sansthan, Survey no. 7 BHD, Village - Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “1. Copy of Fresh Certificate of Merger issued by the Registrar of Societies, Hanumangarh and affiliation order of MGSU, Bikaner with reply this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-3] 2. [Copy of Website Home Page is annexed and website is operational details is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-4]. 3. [Copy of latest Fire NOC issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan in this reply Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-5] 4. Copy of proposal for "Merger" between the institutions approved by affiliating University is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-6] 5. [Copy of latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) is issued by office of Sub-Registrar & Tehsildar is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-7] 6. [Copy of Building Plan 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 demarcated land and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes is reply this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-8] 7. [Copy of Bank Statement is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-9] 8. [Copy of Teaching Staff List countersigned by the Registrar of affiliating body is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-10] 9. [Copy of geo tagged photographs of adequate playgrounds and sports facility is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-11] 10. Copy of geo tagged photographs of Multipurpose Hall with adequate furniture is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-12] 11. Copy of

geo tagged photographs of library reading room with sufficient capacity and furniture is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-13] 12. Copy of visible geo tagged photographs of Computer labs and ICT related facilities is annexed with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-14] 13. [Copy of No Objection Certificate from affiliating University Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner) for Merger of Institute Teacher Education Institute with multi-disciplinary institute is reply to this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-15] 14. Copy of Google map that showing college location with name is uploaded in this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-16] 15. [Hence declaration is Shri Shyam Mahila Mahavidyalaya is run by Shri Shyam Pathshala Samiti and Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Sansthan is run by Shri Shyam Sewa Samiti, Copy of No Objection Certificate from affiliating University (Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner) for Merger of Institute Teacher Education Institute with multi-disciplinary institute is reply this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-17] 16. [Copy of latest Land Use Certificate of Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purpose issued by Competent Government Authority reply to this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-18] 17. [Copy of Building Safety Certificate with mentioning the Khasras Numbers/plot numbers in this reply with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-19] 18. [Hence clarification for the Application No 2627202509162533 for Shri Shyam Mahila Mahavidyalaya and this file for other college namely Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Sansthan with application No. 2627202509162534 Copy of Recognition Order of NCTE in this reply with this Appeal Memorandum annexed as Annexure A-20].” The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of verification by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that approval relating to merger/collaboration with the multidisciplinary institution had been obtained from the State Government, affiliating university and Registrar of Societies. The institution further indicated that Fire Safety Certificate, Non-Encumbrance Certificate, CLU/Land Use Certificate, Building Plan, Building Safety Certificate and NOC from the affiliating body had been furnished. It was also submitted that salary payment through banking channels, duly countersigned teaching staff list, updated website, geotagged photographs relating to playground, multipurpose hall, library/reading room, ICT facilities and location details had been uploaded.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 02.03.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution in appeal against the deficiencies relating to merger arrangement, website functionality, fire safety, Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), land use, building plan and safety, teaching staff approval, salary payment, infrastructure facilities and multidisciplinary integration under the applicable NCTE norms. The appellant institution submitted that a fresh Certificate of Merger issued by the Registrar of Societies, Hanumangarh, along with the affiliation order of Maharaja Ganga Singh University (MGSU), Bikaner, had been furnished. It was further submitted that the institutional website had been made operational and updated, and the homepage/details thereof had been provided. The appellant further submitted that the latest Fire Safety NOC issued by the Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan, the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by the Sub-Registrar/Tehsildar, and the latest Land Use/CLU Certificate permitting use of agricultural land for non-agricultural/educational purposes had been furnished. It was also submitted that a Building Safety Certificate containing khasra/plot particulars had been obtained and placed on record. The appellant institution submitted that the proposal for merger between the Teacher Education Institution and the multidisciplinary institution had been approved by the affiliating university, namely MGSU, Bikaner, and that the requisite No Objection Certificate (NOC) of the University for merger had also been furnished. It was clarified that Shri Shyam Mahila Mahavidyalaya and Shri Shyam Shikshak Prashikshan Sansthan are operated by separate societies, namely Shri Shyam Pathshala Samiti and Shri Shyam Sewa Samiti, respectively, and supporting documents in relation to merger approval had been submitted. The appellant further submitted that the approved Building Plan, indicating the name of the institution, khasra/plot/survey numbers, total land area, total built-up area and earmarked infrastructure for each course including teacher education

and multidisciplinary programmes, had been furnished. The institution also submitted bank statements, teaching staff list countersigned by the Registrar of the affiliating body, and geo-tagged photographs of the playground, sports facilities, multipurpose hall, library reading room, computer laboratory and ICT facilities in support of compliance with infrastructure norms. The appellant institution also submitted a Google map showing the college location with institutional name and clarified that Application No. 2627202509162533 pertains to Shri Shyam Mahila Mahavidyalaya, whereas the present file pertains to Shri Shyam Shikshak Prashikshan Sansthan bearing Application No. 2627202509162534, and a copy of the relevant NCTE recognition order had been furnished. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of verification by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that approval relating to merger/collaboration with the multidisciplinary institution had been obtained from the State Government, affiliating university and Registrar of Societies. The institution further indicated that Fire Safety Certificate, Non-Encumbrance Certificate, CLU/Land Use Certificate, Building Plan, Building Safety Certificate and NOC from the affiliating body had been furnished. It was also submitted that salary payment through banking channels, duly countersigned teaching staff list, updated website, geotagged photographs relating to playground, multipurpose hall, library/reading room, ICT facilities and location details had been uploaded.

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IV. DECISION: -

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1. **The Principal, Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Sansthan, Survey no. 7 BHD, Village - Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501.**
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3. **The 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.**



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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-163/E-408147/2026/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615621 –

Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Mahavidyalaya, 10 Barani Hisar Road Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Mahavidyalaya, 10 Barani, Hisar Road, Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501** dated 29.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509162553/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/167** dated 02.03.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The institution has not uploaded the 'Fresh certificate of merger' issued by the Registrar of Societies as under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher educations. ii. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-ale 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. iii. The Institution has not uploaded the Building Plan mentioning the name of institution, Khasra/Plot/Survey mentioning the total land area and total built-up area earmarked for each course being run in the es and the demarcated land and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes. iv. College plot numbers i.e. 10 BARANI 4 and other information are not ned in the Uploaded building safety certificate no. RajKaj Re No. 18043775 issued on dated 29.09.2025. v. The institution has uploaded the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the Nagar Parishad, Hanumangarh dated 05.02.2025. The validity of the Fire Safety Certificate has expired on 04th Feb 2026. vi. The institution has uploaded the affiliation order from Maharaja Ganga Singh University in the name of Shri Sah Shiksha Mahavidyalaya, for liberal course and the institution recognised by NCTE is SHRI SHIKSHAK PRASHIKSHAN MAHAVIDYALAYA. The name of institution mentioned in the affiliation order and the name applied for Transition into ITEP are different. vii. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. viii. The institution is required to upload the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned affiliating body in the prescribed format of NCTE and teaching staff should be as per NCTE norms. ix. The institution has not uploaded the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by office of Sub-r & Tehsildar, Bhadra, Distt-Hanumangarh dated 11.02.2025. x. The proposal for 'merger' between institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. xi. With regard to n certificate of land, institution has uploaded 3 digital Jamabandi orders dated 14.02.2025 in respect at vill.10 Barani having different khata nos., khasra nos. in respect of "Shri Shyam

Pathshala Samiti, Dist. Hanumangarh" along with a copy of land title certificate vide No.LR/91 dated 11.02.2025 by Tahasildar, Bhadra, Hanumangarh to Commissioner, College Education, Rajasthan certifying that ad area 9360 sq.mts. located at Khasra no. Chak 10 Barani Murbba No.52 in the name of Shri Shyam Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, 10 Barani, Hisar Road, Bhadra, Dist. Hanumangarh (Raj.). Copy of not endorsed to the institution/society as per application. As per digital Jamabandi/Khatauni, land name of society, whereas as per Land Title Certificate, land is in the name of institution. Therein, Tahsildar has also certified that (1) The institution has own building on own land in same campus and rented building are in same Tehsil. Both the statements appears to be contradictory. The institution is required to clarify the same and upload evidence regarding the same. xii. The institution "HTTPS://WWW.SSTTCB.ORG/" is not operational at the time of scrutiny. The institution is to update and maintain its website in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) 3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. xiii. The institution has not uploaded Der Building Plan 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. xiv. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan ng the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Claus 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. xv. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. xvi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. Furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Mahavidyalaya, 10 Barani, Hisar Road, Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th/16th May, 2026. The appellant submitted that **POINT NO. 1 (Merger Certificate / Multidisciplinary Status** That with respect to the observation regarding non-submission of a fresh merger certificate issued by the Registrar of Societies under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines, it is respectfully submitted that the said observation does not survive in view of the factual and legal position governing the appellant institution has done MoM /MoC with Shri Shyam Sah Siksha Mahavidyalaya situated at a distance of approximately 2 kilometers. The merger/collaboration has already been approved by Registrar Societies of Rajasthan, Hanumangarh. Government of Rajasthan vide order No 146/26 dated 21-04-2026, and Maharaja Ganga Singh University Bikaner vide Order

No.F.07() MGSUB/Acad.-12026/1288 dated 27-04-2026 (copy enclosed). Therefore, the appellant institution specifically undertakes and affirms that the institution fulfills the requirement of a Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institution as contemplated under the applicable NCTE framework and remains fully compliant with Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines.

POINT NO. 2 (Land Use Certificate / CLU) That the institution has uploaded the requisite Land Use Certificate (CLU) issued by the Competent Government Authority under applicable State laws/rules governing conversion of land for educational/non-agricultural purposes. That the CLU clearly pertains to the land utilized for Teacher Education Programme and multidisciplinary educational activities. That the institution respectfully submits and undertakes that the land use remains fully legal, valid and compliant with statutory educational purposes.

POINT NO. 3 (Building Plan mentioning all Courses, Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers and Earmarked Area) That with respect to the observation regarding non-submission of Building Plan mentioning all courses being conducted, Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers, total land area and earmarked built-up area for each programme, it is respectfully submitted that the institution has placed the requisite Building Plan duly approved by the Competent Authority. That the Building Plan clearly reflects and identifies the land particulars, including Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers, total land area, total built-up area and the earmarked area reserved for Teacher Education Programmes and multidisciplinary programmes being conducted by the institution. A copy of approved Building Plan is attached. That the institution specifically undertakes and affirms that the infrastructural facilities reflected in the Building Plan are physically available, functional and compliant with the norms and standards prescribed under the applicable NCTE Regulations and Guidelines. That the institution respectfully submits that the deficiency stands fully complied with and no ambiguity survives regarding infrastructural earmarking and land utilization

POINT NO. 4 (Building Safety Certificate - BSC) That the institution has uploaded the latest Building Safety Certificate (BSC) in the prescribed format NCTE issued by the Competent Government Authority. Building Safety Certificate mentioning the plot no 10 Barani is issued by Executive Engineer Public Works Department Nohar vide order no. 18043775 dated 29-09-202

POINT NO. 5 (Fire Safety Certificate) That the institution has uploaded a valid and subsisting Fire Safety Certificate / Fire NOC issued by the competent Fire Safety Department of the State Government. That the said certificate is verifiable through the official Government portal and remains valid as on date. That the institution further undertakes to maintain fire safety measures, emergency exits, fire extinguishing systems and safety protocols in compliance with applicable law and statutory safety requirements. That the institution respectfully submits that it fully complies with fire safety norms and standards prescribed by the competent authority. A copy is attached

POINT NO. 6 (NOC from Affiliating Body) That the institution

has uploaded a valid and subsisting documents of NOC from MGSU Bikaner vide order no. F.07()/MGSUB/Acad.1/2026/1288 dated 27-04-2026. That the institution respectfully submits that it fully complies with NOC from affiliating body in prescribed by the competent authority. A copy is attached. **POINT NO. 7 (Salary Payment through Bank and Government Pay Scale)** That with respect to the observation regarding ascertain ability of salary payment, it is respectfully submitted that the institution has uploaded salary sheets, salary registers and bank statements demonstrating payment of salary to teaching and non-teaching staff through banking channels. That salaries are being paid strictly in accordance with the Central Government/State Government pay scales and applicable norms, as prescribed. That the institution undertakes continued compliance with financial and salary obligations under applicable statutory requirements. **POINT NO. 8 (Teaching Staff List in Prescribed NCTE Format)** That the institution has uploaded the teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body/university/competent authority in the prescribed NCTE format. That the faculty appointed by the institution fulfills the eligibility criteria and qualifications prescribed under the NCTE Regulations, 2014 and amendments issued from time to time. That the institution undertakes continued compliance with faculty norms, staffing pattern and qualification requirements prescribed by NCTE. **POINT NO. 9 (Non-Encumbrance Certificate)** That the institution has obtained the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by the Tehsildar vide: 13 dated 23-04-2026 That the said certificate clearly establishes that the land is free from encumbrances and available for exclusive educational purposes. That the institution undertakes that the land remains legally valid, undisputed, free from encumbrances and fulfills the statutory requirements prescribed under the NCTE framework. **POINT NO. 10 (Proposal for Merger by Affiliating Body)** That the institution has uploaded a valid and subsisting documents of NOC from MGSU Bikaner vide order no. F.07()/MGSUB/Acad.1/2026/1288 dated 27-04-2026. That the institution respectfully submits that it fully complies with NOC from affiliating body in prescribed by the competent authority. A copy is attached. **POINT NO. 11 (Mutation Certificate)** That the institution has uploaded the Mutation Certificate duly issued by the competent Revenue Authority of the State Government mentioning all relevant Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers. That the said document establishes legal possession and lawful status of land utilized for educational purposes. A copy of Mutation Certificate is attached. That the institution undertakes that the land utilized for Teacher Education Programmes and multidisciplinary education remains legally valid and compliant with the NCTE norms. **POINT NO. 12 (Website Compliance under NCTE Regulations, 2014)** That with regard to the observation relating to functionality and updating of institutional website under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, it is respectfully submitted that the institutional website is fully functional, active and updated. That the institution has uploaded all mandatory disclosures, faculty particulars, recognition details, approved intake,

infrastructure particulars, fee structure, academic information and other disclosures mandated under the NCTE Regulations. That the institution undertakes to continuously maintain, update and operate the website in strict compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 and amendments issued from time to time. That the institution respectfully submits that the said deficiency stands fully complied with. **POINT NO. 13 (Building Plan mentioning all Courses, Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers and Earmarked Area)** That with respect to the observation regarding non-submission of Building Plan mentioning all courses being conducted, Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers, total land area and earmarked built-up area for each programme, it is respectfully submitted that the institution has placed the requisite Building Plan duly approved by the Competent Authority. That the Building Plan clearly reflects and identifies the land particulars, including Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers, total land area, total built-up area and the earmarked area reserved for Teacher Education Programmes and multidisciplinary programmes being conducted by the institution. A copy of approved Building Plan is attached. That the institution specifically undertakes and affirms that the infrastructural facilities reflected in the Building Plan are physically available, functional and compliant with the norms and standards prescribed under the applicable NCTE Regulations and Guidelines. That the institution respectfully submits that the deficiency stands fully complied with and no ambiguity survives regarding infrastructural earmarking and land utilization. **POINT NO. 14 (Requirement Satisfied / Recommendation Certificate issued by Government of State)** That with regard to the observation pertaining to non-submission of certificate issued by the State Government justifying the requirement of Teacher Education Programme in the area under Clause 4.2.1 of the NCTE Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions, it is respectfully submitted and affirmed that the appellant institution has duly fulfilled and complied with the said requirement. That the institution has obtained the Recommendation/Requirement Satisfaction Certificate duly issued by the Government of Rajasthan, justifying the requirement and necessity of Teacher Education Programme in the concerned area. That a copy of Recommendation Certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for teacher education programme in the area in compliance with Clause 4.2.1 of the NCTE Guidelines for transformation into multidisciplinary higher education institutions, vide: Order No.F.24()ITEP/B. Ed./P.I./CCE/2026 dated 06-05-2026 is attached. Therefore, the statutory requirement contemplated under Clause 4.2.1 stands fully satisfied. **POINT NO. 15 (Reading Room Seating Capacity)** That the institution has uploaded geotagged photographs of the Library/Reading Room clearly establishing sufficiency of seating capacity. That the Reading Room facilities are adequate and proportionate to the approved intake and programmes conducted by the institution. That the institution undertakes and affirms that the library and reading facilities remain fully compliant with NCTE norms and standards **POINT NO. 16 (Multipurpose Hall and Geotagged**

Photographs) That with regard to the observation concerning adequacy of Multipurpose Hall, it is respectfully submitted that the institution has uploaded geotagged photographs clearly demonstrating the existence, adequacy and functionality of the Multipurpose Hall. That adequate furniture, seating arrangements and facilities exist in the Multipurpose Hall in accordance with applicable NCTE norms. That the institution specifically undertakes and affirms that the Multipurpose Hall fulfills the infrastructural standards prescribed by NCTE and remains available for academic and institutional purposes. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of verification by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the institution had furnished approval relating to merger/collaboration with the multidisciplinary institution along with approvals of the State Government, affiliating university and Registrar of Societies. The institution further submitted that CLU/Land Use Certificate, Building Plan, Building Safety Certificate, Fire Safety Certificate, Mutation and Non-Encumbrance Certificate had been obtained from the competent authorities. It was also indicated that NOC from the affiliating body, recommendation certificate issued by the State Government, salary records evidencing payment through banking channels, duly countersigned teaching staff list, updated website and geotagged photographs of the library/reading room and multipurpose hall had been submitted.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 02.03.2026.

The instant matter placed before the Appeal Committee in the present Meeting. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and applicable Guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that documents submitted before the

Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable by the competent authorities. It was stated therein that approvals relating to merger/collaboration with the multidisciplinary institution, CLU/Land Use Certificate, Building Plan, Building Safety Certificate, Fire Safety Certificate, Mutation and Non-Encumbrance Certificate had been furnished. The institution further indicated that NOC from the affiliating body, recommendation certificate issued by the State Government, salary records through banking channels, duly countersigned teaching staff list, updated website and geotagged infrastructure photographs had been submitted.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE

Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 02.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE

Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 02.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Shri Shyam Shikshak Parshikshan Mahavidyalaya, 10 Barani, Hisar Road, Bhadra, District-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335501.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The 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.



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एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-165/E-408416/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026

APPLWRC202615640 -

Sorabh College of Teacher Training, Khasra No. 1682, 1838/1682, Gudasi Road, District-Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan-322001	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G- 7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sh. Pavan Kumar Sharma, Administrative Officer
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Sorabh College of Teacher Training, Khasra No. 1682, 1838/1682, Gudasi Road, District-Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan-322001** dated 05.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509162626/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/76** dated 09.04.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "1. The name of applicant institution is Sorabh College of Teacher Training, and the name of multidisciplinary college is Sorabh College of Education. Both college names mismatch. 2. The institution has not uploaded Not-for-profit Certificate issued by the Govt. Competent Authority instead has uploaded certificate from Chartered Accountant. 3. The institution has uploaded Form No 10 AC. The institution has not uploaded the Exemption Certificate (Form 12A) issued by the Income Tax Department or issued by government competent authority. 4. The uploaded CLU for commercial and educational purpose. 5. In the Land Details Built Up area mentioned in the Affidavit (in sq. m) is 6754. The institution is conducting degree courses i.e., B.A. $120 \times 3 = 360$, B.Sc. $60 \times 3 = 180$. The sufficiency of land and built-up area for the above courses with of multidisciplinary courses and intake for B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), Middle (1 unit) B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), Middle (1 unit) Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) degree 2 units, Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed.) 2 units course cannot be ascertained. 6. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. Upload the documents/evidence regarding the same. 7. The website of the institution is not properly functional as per NCTE norms. The website is required to be functional and updated in compliance to Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. Upload the documents/evidence regarding the same. 8. The institution has not uploaded the building plan which mentions the names of all the courses run in the same premises of the institute, Khasra/Plot/Survey number and total land area and total built up area reserved for each course run in the locality and demarcated land and built up area for teacher education programs including multi-disciplinary programmes. 9. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. 10. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. Furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. 11. Committee noted that computer lab is available. ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. 12. The Committee noticed that the old building safety certificate has been re-uploaded."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Pavan Kumar Sharma, Administrative Officer of Sorabh College of Teacher Training, Khasra No. 1682, 1838/1682, Gudasi Road, District-Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan-322001 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The institution respectfully submits that Sorabh College of Teacher Training has been duly Merger with Sorabh College of Education in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, Rules, and Regulations, as amended from time to time. In this regard, the No Objection Certificate (NOC) issued by the State Government and affiliating body, along with the Memorandum of Merger, has been duly uploaded on the portal for kind perusal and verification. 2. The institution has uploaded Not-for-profit Certificate issued by the Chartered Accountant and Govt. Competent Authority. 3. It is respectfully submitted that the Society is duly registered under the provisions of the Income Tax Act and is eligible for exemption under Section 12A/12AB of the Act. As per the prevailing system of the Income Tax Department, the registration/exemption certificate is issued in Form No. 10AC, which is the updated and valid certificate issued in place of the earlier Form 12A certificate. Accordingly, Form No. 10AC issued by the Income Tax Department. 4. The CLU has been uploaded. 5. It is submitted that the built-up area of 6754 sq. m. mentioned in the Affidavit pertains exclusively to the Teacher Education Programme. In addition, a separate built-up area of 2575 sq. m. is available for B.A. & B.Sc. multidisciplinary courses. The detailed Building Plan indicating the same has been duly enclosed for verification. 6. It is submitted that the Bank Statement of the institution has been duly enclosed for kind perusal. 7. It is submitted that the institutional website has been made fully functional and updated in compliance with Clause 7(14) (i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014. Relevant supporting documents/evidence, including updated website details and screenshots, have been duly uploaded on the portal for kind perusal. 8. It is submitted that the detailed Building Plan indicating the names of all courses conducted in the same premises, along with Khasra/Plot/Survey numbers, total land area, and course-wise demarcated built-up area including teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes, has been enclosed. 9. It is submitted that the seating capacity of the Library Reading Room as per NCTE norms. geotagged photographs clearly showing the adequate seating arrangement have been duly uploaded on the portal for kind perusal. 10. It is submitted that the Multipurpose Hall is as per NCTE norms and adequate furniture has been provided. geotagged photographs have been enclosed. 11. It is submitted that ICT facilities are available in the institution. geotagged photographs clearly showing ICT-related facilities in the computer lab have been duly uploaded on the portal for kind perusal. 12. Building Safety Certificate has been enclosed."

The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all statutory, infrastructural, academic and regulatory requirements stood fulfilled and that documents submitted were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that Sorabh College of Teacher Training had been merged with Sorabh College of Education and requisite approvals/NOCs issued by the State Government and the University of Kota, along with Memorandum of Merger, had been furnished. The institution indicated that Not-for-Profit Certificates, Form 10AC under the Income Tax Act, CLU, bank statements and updated website compliant with NCTE Regulations, 2014 had been submitted. It was further explained that detailed Building Plan, Building Safety Certificates, geotagged photographs of library, multipurpose hall and ICT facilities, along with clarification regarding built-up area earmarked for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes, had been furnished.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 03.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 09.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Sorabh College of Teacher Training, in appeal against the deficiencies relating to merger arrangement, not-for-profit status, income tax exemption, CLU, land and built-up area, website compliance, infrastructure facilities, ICT, and building safety under the applicable NCTE norms. The appellant institution submitted that Sorabh College of Teacher Training had been duly merged with Sorabh College of Education, and the Memorandum of Merger, along with the No Objection Certificate (NOC) issued by the State Government and affiliating body, had been uploaded for verification. It was further submitted that the institution had furnished the Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by the Chartered Accountant and competent Government authority and clarified that the Society is

registered under the Income Tax Act and possesses exemption under Section 12A/12AB, evidenced through Form No. 10AC issued by the Income Tax Department in lieu of the earlier Form 12A certificate. The appellant further submitted that the Change of Land Use (CLU) certificate had been uploaded. With regard to infrastructure, it was submitted that the built-up area of 6754 sq. metres pertains exclusively to the teacher education programme, while an additional 2575 sq. metres is available for B.A. and B.Sc. multidisciplinary programmes, and that the detailed building plan indicating course-wise demarcation had been furnished. The appellant institution also submitted that bank statements evidencing institutional financial transactions had been enclosed and that the institutional website had been made functional and updated in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, supported by screenshots and website details uploaded on the portal. It was further submitted that the approved building plan, containing details of all courses conducted in the same premises, khasra/plot/survey particulars, total land area and course-wise earmarked built-up area for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes, had been furnished. The appellant institution also submitted that the Library Reading Room, Multipurpose Hall, and ICT/Computer Lab facilities are available in conformity with NCTE norms, supported by updated geo-tagged photographs evidencing seating arrangements, furniture and ICT infrastructure. The institution further submitted that the Building Safety Certificate had also been enclosed. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that requisite compliances and supporting documents had been submitted and were genuine and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that merger of Sorabh College of Teacher Training with Sorabh College of Education had been approved by the State Government and University of Kota and relevant NOCs/Memorandum of Merger had been furnished. The institution indicated that Not-for-Profit Certificates, Form 10AC, CLU, bank statements and updated website compliant with NCTE Regulations, 2014 had been submitted. It was further explained that Building Plan, Building Safety Certificates and geotagged photographs relating to library, multipurpose hall and ICT facilities had been furnished along with clarification regarding earmarked built-up area.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE

(Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional

Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 09.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 09.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Sorabh College of Teacher Training, Khasra No. 1682, 1838/1682, Gudasi Road, District-Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan-322001.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.**
3. **The 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.**



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

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/

APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT

89-166/E-408414/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026

APPLWRC202615642 ✓

Siddharth College of Education, Khasra No. 655, Village-Bilwa, Tonk Road, Sanganer, Jaipur, Rajasthan- 302022	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G- 7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Dr. Lokendra Singh, Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Siddharth College of Education, Khasra No. 655, Village-Bilwa, Tonk Road, Sanganer, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302022** dated 06.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509283409/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/86** dated 07.04.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "1. The institution has not uploaded the Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. The institution has not uploaded the Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. 3. The institution is not a Multi-disciplinary institution as it is not running the course in the field of liberal arts or humanities or social sciences or mathematics. commerce or mathematics. 4. Committee check the website of institution i.e. [https:// www. Scedjaipur.in/](https://www.Scedjaipur.in/). The website of institution <https://www.scedjaipur.in/> has NOT been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time still this date. 5. As per the Fire Safety Certificate uploaded on the website of the Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan, the status of fire safety certificate has been mentioned as Not issued. At URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/tracks_application.aspx."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Dr. Lokendra Singh, Principal of Siddharth College of Education, Khasra No. 655, Village-Bilwa, Tonk Road, Sanganer, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302022 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The institution has uploaded the Rajasthan Gazette Notification non-regarding the permission for use of agricultural land for agricultural purposes and allotment. The said permission has been granted under Section 25 Sub- Section (1) of the Rajasthan Urban Areas Act, 1982, and in accordance with the Master Development Plan

2011 (Jaipur Region). Accordingly, the Jaipur Development Authority (JDA), Jaipur, through the State Land Use Conversion Committee, has permitted the change of land use (CLU). 2. It is submitted that the institution was earlier named "Gaurav College of Education" and has been renamed as "Siddharth College of Education" vide Order No. 0136 dated 13.03.2026 issued by the College Education Department, Government of Rajasthan and University of Rajasthan. Copy of order enclosed. 3. The institution is a multidisciplinary institution and is running courses in the fields of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce, and mathematics. Copy of the relevant order is enclosed. 4. It is submitted that the institution's website <https://www.scedjaipur.in/> has been updated and is being maintained in compliance with the provisions of National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) Regulations, 2014 (Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3)). Necessary corrections/updates have been carried out and the latest information has been uploaded on the website. 5. It is submitted that the Fire Safety Certificate has been duly verified on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan, and a copy of the same is enclosed herewith for kind perusal." The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), applicable Norms & Standards and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all requisite documents and compliances had been submitted/uploaded and were genuine, valid and verifiable. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the Change of Land Use (CLU) permission had been granted by Jaipur Development Authority under the Rajasthan Urban Areas Act, 1982. The institution indicated that the name of the institution had been changed from "Gaurav College of Education" to "Siddharth College of Education" vide order dated 13.03.2026 issued by the Department of College Education, Government of Rajasthan. It was further submitted that the institution is functioning as a multidisciplinary institution offering courses in liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce and mathematics, and that the institutional website had been updated in compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014. The institution further explained that the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority had been verified through the official portal of the Government of Rajasthan.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 03.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 07.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Siddharth College of Education, Jaipur (formerly Gaurav College of Education), in appeal against the deficiencies communicated by the WRC vide communication dated 07.04.2026 relating to Change of Land Use (CLU), institutional identity/name, multidisciplinary status, website compliance and fire safety certification under the applicable NCTE framework. The appellant institution submitted that the Rajasthan Gazette Notification/permission for use of agricultural land for non-agricultural purposes and allotment had been furnished, and that the Change of Land Use (CLU) had been permitted by the Jaipur Development Authority (JDA), Jaipur, through the State Land Use Conversion Committee, under Section 25(1) of the Rajasthan Urban Areas Act, 1982, in accordance with the Master Development Plan, 2011 (Jaipur Region). The appellant further submitted that the institution, earlier known as "Gaurav College of Education", had been renamed as "Siddharth College of Education" vide Order No. 0136 dated 13.03.2026 issued by the College Education Department, Government of Rajasthan, and the relevant order had been furnished. With regard to multidisciplinary status, the appellant institution submitted that it is functioning as a multidisciplinary institution, conducting courses in the fields of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce and mathematics, and relevant supporting documents/orders had been enclosed. The appellant further submitted that the institutional website, namely <https://www.scedjaipur.in/>, had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and that necessary corrections and updated information had been uploaded. It was also submitted that the Fire Safety Certificate bearing No. 64774, issued by the competent authority of the Government of Rajasthan, had been verified through the official portal of the Fire Department and furnished before the Appellate Authority. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all requisite compliances and supporting documents had been submitted/uploaded and were genuine and verifiable. The institution submitted that Change of Land Use (CLU) permission had been granted by Jaipur Development Authority and that the institution had been renamed from "Gaurav College of Education" to "Siddharth College of Education" vide order dated 13.03.2026 issued by the Government of Rajasthan. It

was further indicated that the institution is functioning as a multidisciplinary institution and that the institutional website had been updated in compliance with NCTE Regulations, 2014. The institution also submitted that the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority had been verified through the official portal of the Government of Rajasthan.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and

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Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 07.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in

accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 07.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.**



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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.05.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-171/E-408635/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
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Parjanya B.Ed. College, Plot No. 1,3,4,5,6, Village - Paharpur, Street/Road - Hirak Road, Taluka/Mandal -Baliapur, District-Dhanbad, Jharkhand – 828201.	<u>Vs</u>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF ORDER

The appeal of **Parjanya B.Ed. College, Plot No. 1,3,4,5,6, Village - Paharpur, Street/Road - Hirak Road, Taluka/Mandal -Baliapur, District-Dhanbad, Jharkhand – 828201** dated 07.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per the order no. **F.No.ER-394.20/ERCAPP1124/B.Ed./JH/2025/(73038-73044)** dated **20.04.2026** of the Eastern Regional Committee, issued recognition for conducting B.Ed. programme on the grounds that "1. The institution has appointed teaching faculty Le one principal and 10 lecturers approved by the Registrar, B.B.M Koyalanchal University Dhanbad, Jharkhand dated 16.12.2025 which is not sufficient for two units as per NCTE Regulations amended from time to time. In view of the above, the Committee decided to reduce the intake from two units to one unit from the academic session 2026-2027."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of **Parjanya B.Ed. College, Plot No. 1,3,4,5,6, Village - Paharpur, Street/Road - Hirak Road, Taluka/Mandal -Baliapur, District-Dhanbad, Jharkhand – 828201** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "The institution has appointed the remaining teaching faculty. Presently, the institution has one Principal and fifteen faculty members, the details of whom have been provided in the prescribed format duly approved by the Registrar, Binod Bihari Mahto Koyalanchal University, Dhanbad. The prescribed format duly approved by the University is being submitted along with affidavit for your kind consideration. It is therefore respectfully prayed that recognition for 2 Units (100 Seats) may kindly be restored as existed prior to the order passed by ERC." The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit on Rs.100/- stamp paper duly affirmed before the Executive Magistrate, Dhanbad, affirming compliance with the deficiencies communicated by the ERC. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that the intake of the B.Ed. programme had been reduced from two basic units (100 seats) to one unit (50 seats) pursuant to order dated 20.04.2026. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that a duly qualified Principal, namely Dr. Sajal Banerjee, and requisite teaching faculty had been appointed in accordance with NCTE norms and the complete faculty list had been submitted in the prescribed format. The institution explained that five Assistant Professors, though working in the institution, could not be reflected in the earlier submission due to inadvertent administrative/clerical oversight and that the omission had subsequently been rectified. It was further indicated that updated teaching staff details duly approved by Binod Bihari Mahto Koyalanchal University, Dhanbad

had been furnished. The institution affirmed that appointments of teaching staff had been made in accordance with the NCTE Act, 1993 and Regulations framed thereunder and that requisite norms relating to infrastructure, instructional facilities and staffing for two basic units were available.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for B.Ed. programme of two-year duration vide order no. ERC/7151.6.13/NCTE/ B.Ed./2013/16589 date. 02.03.2013, from the academic session 2018-19 followed by Revised order no. F. No. ERC/NCTE/ERCAPP1124/B.Ed. (Revised order) 2015/31956 date 23.05.2015 with intake of 100 two basic units from the academic session 2015-2016 as per NCTE Regulation. Thereafter, an order vide dt. 20.04.2026 was issued to the institution for B.Ed. programme for reduced the intake from 100 to 50 (one basic unit) from the academic session 2026-2027.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Parjanya B.Ed. College, Paharpur, Baliapur, Dhanbad, Jharkhand, in appeal against the ERC order dated 20.04.2026 whereby the intake capacity of the B.Ed. programme was reduced from two basic units (100 seats) to one basic unit (50 seats) on account of deficiencies relating to teaching faculty and staffing norms. The appellant institution submitted that the deficiencies pointed out by the ERC had since been rectified and that the institution has appointed the required teaching faculty, including a duly qualified Principal, Dr. Sajal Banerjee, in accordance with the NCTE norms and Regulations. It was further submitted that the institution presently has one Principal and fifteen faculty members, and the complete faculty list, in the prescribed format and duly approved by the Registrar, Binod Bihari Mahto Koyalanchal University, Dhanbad, had been furnished along with an affidavit. The appellant institution further submitted that five Assistant Professors, though already working in the institution, could not be reflected in the earlier submission due to inadvertent administrative/clerical oversight and that the omission had since been rectified by submitting complete and updated faculty details duly approved by the affiliating university. The institution submitted an affidavit on Rs.100/- stamp paper affirmed before the Executive Magistrate, Dhanbad, stating that deficiencies communicated by the ERC had been complied

with. The institution submitted that a duly qualified Principal and requisite teaching faculty had been appointed in accordance with NCTE norms and that the complete teaching staff list in prescribed format, duly approved by Binod Bihari Mahto Koyalanchal University, Dhanbad, had been furnished. It was further submitted that omission of five Assistant Professors in the earlier submission occurred due to inadvertent administrative/clerical oversight and the same had subsequently been rectified. The institution also submitted that requisite infrastructure, instructional facilities and faculty for two basic units of the B.Ed. programme were available and salary and appointment related compliances had been made in accordance with applicable norms.

The Appeal Committee carefully considered the Appeal Report, the impugned order dated 20.04.2026, the submissions made by the appellant institution, the material available on record, and the applicable statutory framework under the provisions of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee noted that, at the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, 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 impugned order. The Committee further observed that a complaint exists in the matter; however, the impugned order does not record or deal with the substance of the allegations contained therein. The Committee also noted that the material subsequently placed on record by the appellant institution has not been subjected to verification and examination by the competent Regional Committee. Accordingly, the Committee considered it necessary that the staff/faculty particulars be comprehensively verified from the affiliating University to ascertain whether the institution fulfils the prescribed Norms and Standards under the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The Committee further observed that, under the statutory scheme of the NCTE Act, 1993 read with the applicable Regulations, compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through duly verified and authenticated records. Consequently, the material now placed on record necessitates factual verification and regulatory scrutiny by the competent Regional Committee before any conclusive determination regarding compliance can be arrived at. The Appeal Committee also took note of the law laid down by *the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in Rambha College of Education v. NCTE [W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016]*, wherein subsequent material brought on record during appellate proceedings was held not liable to be disregarded merely because the same was not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing the impugned order, and that, where warranted, the matter may be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee observed that consideration of such material at the appellate

stage does not ipso facto establish compliance and the same necessarily requires strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Appeal Committee 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."

In view of the above-mentioned order, the Committee concluded to keep the impugned order in abeyance until and unless the ERC take an appropriate decision in the matter.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, and the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee, in exercise of appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, decided to remand the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC) for limited factual verification and regulatory reassessment, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the claims of the appellant institution. Accordingly, the impugned order dated 20.04.2026 shall remain kept in abeyance until the ERC takes an appropriate decision in the matter after due examination of the submissions made by the appellant institution vis-à-vis the verified substance of the complaint and comprehensive verification of the staff/faculty particulars from the affiliating University, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the Rules framed thereunder, and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The ERC is directed to re-examine the matter afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted by the appellant institution, afford reasonable opportunity to the institution, and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order in accordance with law and the directions contained hereinabove. The concerned Regional Committee, being the custodian of records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and connected records before passing any consequential order. Till such decision is taken by the ERC, the appellant institution shall not admit any student. It is expressly clarified that the present remand is confined solely to factual verification and

regulatory reassessment and shall not be construed to create any presumption, equity or vested right in favour of the appellant institution. Failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with law. The appellant institution shall forward all documents relied upon in the present appeal to the ERC within fifteen (15) days from receipt of this order. The ERC shall ensure expeditious and time-bound disposal of the matter after following due process under the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, Rules and Regulations and in terms of the directions contained hereinabove.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, concluded to remand the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC) for limited factual verification and regulatory reassessment. Accordingly, the impugned order dated 20.04.2026 shall remain kept in abeyance until the ERC takes an appropriate decision after examination of the submissions of the appellant institution vis-à-vis the verified substance of the complaint and verification of staff/faculty particulars from the affiliating University, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, Rules and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

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, Parjanya B.Ed. College, Plot No. 1,3,4,5,6, Village - Paharpur, Street/Road - Hirak Road, Taluka/Mandal -Baliapur, District-Dhanbad, Jharkhand – 828201.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The 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, 3rd Floor, Yojana Bhawan, Nepal House, Doranda, Ranchi, Jharkhand – 834002.



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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-173/E-408693/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615628 -

Baby Happy Modern Women T. T College, Plot No. 06, Village - Hanumangarh Junction, Abohar Bypass Road, PO. - Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335512.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector - 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Mr. Vikram Singh, Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Baby Happy Modern Women T. T College, Plot No. 06, Village - Hanumangarh Junction, Abohar By Pass Road, PO.-Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335512** dated 02.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509303507/ RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1666** dated 06.03.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that " i. Certified copy registered land documents (lease deed) dated 27.10.2010 along with schedule of the property having Plot no.06 is uploaded without land related affidavit as per details filled in the online application portal. Land is on lease basis for 99 years with Govt. whereas mode of possession mentioned in application as ownership basis. Same document is uploaded for another transition application bearing no.2627202509303506 in the name of institution "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" applied by the same society. ii. In google map as per given geographic Location, name of the institution shows "Baby Happy Modern (PG) College" which does not match with transition application. iii. The college name board is not visible in the geotagged photographs. iv. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. v. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. Furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. vi. Computer labs and ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. vii. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. viii. Uploaded CLU is not proper. The institution has not upload the Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Arese (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. ix. The institution has uploaded the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body. But this teaching staff list is not in the prescribed format of NCTE as per NCTE norms. x. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. xi. Address of the Institution is filled on the portal. Another transition application bearing number 2627202509303506 in the name of institution "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" submitted by the same society (Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti, Hanumangarh Jn. District Hanumangarh) having same plot number and identical address of institution at Plot

No.06, Hanumangarh Junction, Bypass Road, Hanumangarh, Hanumangarh Junction, Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335512. xii. Copy of mutation certificate of land issued vide letter dated 17.04.2025 by Tahasildar, Hanumangarh is uploaded. Same document is uploaded for another transition application bearing no.2627202509303506 in the name of institution "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" applied by the same society. xiii. Building plan uploaded is approved by Commissioner, Nagar Parishad, Hanumangarh and JEN (without date), The earmarked total land area and total built up area for running all teacher education programmes is not reflected in the Building Plan. The institution has not uploaded the building plan which mentions the names of all the courses run in the same premises of the institute, Khasra/Plot/Survey number and total land area and total built up area reserved for each course run in the locality and demarcated land and built up area for teacher education programs including multi-disciplinary programmes. xiv. The institution has uploaded Form No 10 AC. The institution has not uploaded the Exemption Certificate (Form 12A) issued by the Income Tax Department. xv. The website of institution has NOT been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. xvi. The institution has not uploaded the Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by government competent authority. xvii. The fire certificate Plot Area (Square Meter..... only 69. Institution uploaded the fire certificate NOC of 69 Area (Square Meter).

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Mr. Vikram Singh, Principal of Baby Happy Modern Women T. T College, Plot No. 06, Village - Hanumangarh Junction, Abohar Bypass Road, PO. - Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335512 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "i. The society i.e., Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti, is running both the institutions- "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" and "Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College" under its aegis. The sponsoring society/ Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti owns 20,067 square meters of land, which stands duly converted for educational purposes as per the prevailing laws. The said land area has been demarcated into two separate portions. The Institution has adequate land and built-up area and is fully capable of earmarking and maintaining separate, exclusive, and identifiable land area and infrastructure for each college, in compliance with NCTE Norms and Regulations framed thereunder. It is pertinent to mention that "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" and "Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College" is situated on its own demarcated area of land separately, fulfilling all the NCTE norms for building and infrastructure. ii. The name shown on Google Maps as "Baby Happy Modern (PG) College" is incorrect and does

not reflect the actual name of the institution. The correct name is "Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College", as per official records and documents submitted. Necessary action is being taken by the sponsoring body to update the same on Google Maps. iii. The absence of the college name board in the uploaded geotagged photographs is unintentional and does not reflect its actual presence on campus. The institution would like to clarify that a properly displayed and clearly visible name board is installed at the main entrance of the college as per NCTE norms. iv. The provision of necessary furniture and space in the library reading room has been accordingly increased, and it is now adequate as per the prescribed NCTE norms and standards. v. The geotagged photographs submitted earlier may not fully reflect the current status of the Multipurpose Hall. The institution confirms that the Multipurpose Hall is maintained in accordance with NCTE norms, with adequate furniture provided for all academic and co-curricular activities. vii. The institution confirms that fully functional and well-equipped computer labs and ICT resources are available as per NCTE norms. viii. The institution has already submitted the application to the Government of Rajasthan for issuance of the required certificate under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transformation into a Multidisciplinary Institution. The process is currently under consideration by the competent authority. The institution undertakes to supply the same as soon as it is approved by the competent authority. ix. This land has been allotted to the institution by the Municipal Council Hanumangarh for educational purposes only. That there is no need to change the land use separately as land has been allotted for the education purpose. x. The institution respectfully submits that the teaching staff list has been prepared strictly as per the NCTE format, duly downloaded from the official NCTE website, and got approved from the affiliating University. xi. The institution is complying with all the norms standards prescribed by NCTE in regard to the payment of employees. xii. The society i.e. Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti, is running both the institutions- "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" and "Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College" under its aegis. The sponsoring society/ Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti owns 20,067 square meters of land, which stands duly converted for educational purposes as per the prevailing laws. The said land area has been demarcated into two separate portions. The Institution has adequate land and built-up area and is fully capable of earmarking and maintaining separate, exclusive, and identifiable land area and infrastructure for each college, in compliance with NCTE Norms and Regulations framed thereunder. It is pertinent to mention that "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" and "Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College" is situated on its own demarcated area of land separately, fulfilling all the NCTE norms for building and infrastructure. xiii. The society i.e., Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti, is running both the institutions- "Baby Happy Modern Degree College" and "Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College" under its aegis. That the mutation certificate dated 17.04.2025 issued by the Tahasildar, Hanumangarh relates to land owned by the same society. Both institutions

are run by the same society, and the land ownership details are common. Therefore, the same mutation certificate has been uploaded for the transition application No. 2627202509303506 in the name of "Baby Happy Modern Degree College." The document is valid and applicable for both institutions. xiv. The Building Plan has been duly approved by the Commissioner, Nagar Parishad, Hanumangarh. The approval includes the signature along with date i.e., 28.01.2026. It is further submitted that the approved building plan clearly pertains to the entire institutional campus, which is earmarked for running the teacher education programme along with other approved courses in the same premises. The total land area and built-up area are duly reflected in the approved plan. xv. The Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti is duly registered under Section 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961. As per the prevailing provisions, the registration under Section 12A is issued in Form 10AC, which clearly certifies the exemption status of the society. It is further submitted that as per Point No. 06 of Form 10AC, the society is registered under Section 12A for the Assessment Years 2022-23 to 2026-27. xvi. The website of the Institute has been updated in compliance with Section 7(14), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. Its URL is <https://bhmttcollege.com/>. xvii. The society is duly registered under Section 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and operates on a not-for-profit basis. As per Point No. 06 of Form 10AC issued by the Commissioner of Income Tax, the registration is valid for the Assessment Years 2022-23 to 2026-27. xviii. A new updated and revised Fire NOC has now been issued by the competent authority. The revised certificate reflects the corrected and current details of the premises, and the same may be considered for further processing. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time). In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the sponsoring society possessed duly demarcated land with separate earmarked infrastructure for the teacher education institution and multidisciplinary institution, and that the land stood allotted/converted for educational purposes. The institution further indicated that geo-tagged photographs relating to the college name board, library, multipurpose hall and ICT facilities had been uploaded, and that the institutional website had been updated in compliance with the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was also explained that the teaching staff list in prescribed format, salary payment records through banking channels, recommendation certificate issued by the State Government, approved building plan, mutation certificate, revised Fire Safety Certificate and supporting documents regarding institutional address, Google map location and land use had been furnished in support of compliance with the deficiencies pointed out.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 06.03.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College, Hanumangarh, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies relating to land and built-up area, institutional identification, infrastructure, requirement justification under Clause 4.3(i), land use, teaching staff, salary payment, mutation certificate, building plan, not-for-profit status, website compliance and fire safety certification under the applicable NCTE norms and Guidelines for transformation into a multidisciplinary institution. The appellant institution submitted that the sponsoring society, namely Baby Happy Modern Shiksha Samiti, is operating both Baby Happy Modern Degree College and Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College and owns 20,067 sq. metres of land, duly earmarked and demarcated into separate portions for the respective institutions. It was submitted that both institutions are situated on distinct demarcated land and possess adequate land and built-up area in conformity with NCTE norms for infrastructure and instructional facilities. The appellant further submitted that the name reflected on Google Maps as "Baby Happy Modern (PG) College" is incorrect and steps are being taken for correction to reflect the actual institutional name, namely Baby Happy Modern Women T.T. College. It was also submitted that a permanent and visible name board is installed at the main entrance of the institution and updated geo-tagged photographs had been furnished. With regard to infrastructure, the appellant institution submitted that the Library Reading Room, Multipurpose Hall, and Computer/ICT facilities have been upgraded and are available in accordance with NCTE norms, supported by geo-tagged photographs evidencing adequate seating, furniture and facilities. The appellant further submitted that an application has already been made before the Government of Rajasthan for issuance of the requirement certificate under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transformation into a Multidisciplinary Institution, and the matter is under consideration by the competent authority. It was also submitted that the land had been allotted by the Municipal Council, Hanumangarh

exclusively for educational purposes and, therefore, separate land-use conversion was not required. The appellant institution further submitted that the teaching staff list, prepared in the prescribed NCTE format and duly approved by the affiliating university, had been furnished and that salaries to employees are being paid in compliance with the prescribed NCTE/State norms. Regarding land records and statutory approvals, the appellant submitted that the mutation certificate dated 17.04.2025 issued by the Tehsildar, Hanumangarh, pertains to land owned by the sponsoring society and is common to both institutions managed by the same society. It was further submitted that the Building Plan, duly approved by the Commissioner, Nagar Parishad, Hanumangarh on 28.01.2026, reflects the total land area and built-up area earmarked for teacher education and other approved courses in the premises. The appellant institution also submitted that the sponsoring society is registered under Section 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961, evidenced through Form 10AC, and operates on a not-for-profit basis, with validity for the assessment years 2022–23 to 2026–27. It was further submitted that the institutional website, namely <https://bhmttcollege.com/>, had been updated in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and that a revised Fire Safety Certificate/NOC issued by the competent authority reflecting updated premises details had also been furnished. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time). Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that separate earmarked land and infrastructure were available for the teacher education institution and multidisciplinary institution under the sponsoring society. The institution indicated that geo-tagged photographs relating to the name board, library, multipurpose hall and ICT facilities, along with updated website details, had been furnished in compliance with the deficiencies pointed out. It was further submitted that the teaching staff list in prescribed format, salary payment records through banking channels, recommendation certificate issued by the State Government, approved building plan, mutation certificate and revised Fire Safety Certificate had been submitted. The institution also explained matters relating to institutional address, Google map location, land use and applicability of common land records under the same sponsoring society.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read

with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognized that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognized

that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasizes that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 06.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 06.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Baby Happy Modern Women T. T College, Plot No. 06, Village - Hanumangarh Junction, Abohar Bypass Road, PO. - Hanumangarh, Rajasthan-335512.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The 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.



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

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-174/E-408690/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615651 -

Om Shiv Sansthan T T College, Khasra No. 4167/2036, 1932, 1933, 3954/929, Village Mangalwad, Dungle Road, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan-312024.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G- 7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Om Shiv Sansthan T T College, Khasra No. 4167/2036, 1932, 1933, 3954/929, Village Mangalwad, Dunga Road, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan-312024** dated 01.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509223048/RAJASTHAN/REJC/570** dated 11.03.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that " i. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. ii. The institution has not uploaded a certificate to the effect that the proposal for collaboration between the institutions has been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. iii. The institution has not uploaded documentary evidence confirming that 'OM SHIV SANSTHAN T. T. COLLEGE' and 'Om Shiv Sansthan College' are situated within the radius of 10 Kilometers, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. iv. The uploaded certificate is not proper. The institution has not upload the Exemption Certificate (Form 12A) issued by the Income Tax Department or issued by government competent authority. v. The Institution has not uploaded the proper latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by Competent Authority of State Government indicating that the land is free from all encumbrances issued by Competent Government Authority. vi. The institution has not uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL <https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track-application.aspx>. vii. The institution has not uploaded the building plan which mentions the names of all the courses run in the same premises of the institute, Khasra/Plot/Survey number and total land area and total built up area reserved for each course run in the locality and demarcated land and built up area for teacher education programs including multi-disciplinary programmes. viii. Certified copy registered land documents is uploaded without land related affidavit as per details filled in the online application portal. The Khasra No.4167/2036 is not mentioned in the land document. The institution is not uploaded all Khasra numbers of land documents issued by government competent authority. ix. The website has not functional and updated in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14) (i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) as of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. x. A geotagged photograph shows part of

the building left unrepaired xi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. xii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. xiii. Computer labs and ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. xiv. A board with the name of the college is seen to be put up temporarily. This board can be removed at any time. xv. The uploaded list of teaching staff duly countersigned by its affiliating body is not in the prescribed format of NCTE and not as per NCTE regulation 2014 and amendment time by time. xvi. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of Om Shiv Sansthan T T College, Khasra No. 4167/2036, 1932, 1933, 3954/929, Village Mangalwad, Dungla Road, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan-312024 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "i. The institution has uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan (Aayuktalaya College Shiksha Rajasthan Jaipur) justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines vide letter dated 13.02.2026 for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. (Annexure-1) ii. The institution uploaded a certificate to the effect that the proposal for collaboration between the institutions has been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions (Annexure-2) iii. The institution uploaded documentary evidence confirming that OM SHIV SANSTHAN T. T. COLLEGE and Om Shiv Sansthan College are situated within the radius of 10 Kilometers issued by Tehsildar Office on 19.01.2026, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. (Annexure-3) iv. The institution upload the Exemption Certificate issued by Income Tax Department (Annexure-4) v. The institution uploaded proper Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by competent authority i.e. Office of Tehsildar on 23.03.2026 indicating that the land is free from all encumbrances (Annexure-5) vi. The institution uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Municipal Council, Chittorgarh verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx (Annexure-6) vii. The institution has uploaded building plan along with Building completion certificate approved by the Kanistha Abhiyanta, PWD Upkhand-I, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan and Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat Mangalwad district Chittorgarh With earmarked of land and built-up area. The details are as

under: Earmarked land for Multidisciplinary programme (Area 10000 Sq.Mtrs) & teacher education programme (ITEP) (4018 Sq. Mtrs) total Land Area 14018 Sq. Mtrs. Earmarked built up area for Multidisciplinary programme (Area 5000 Sq.Mtrs) & teacher education programme (ITEP) (3000 Sq.Mtrs) total Land Area 8000 Sq.Mtrs. (Annexure-7) viii. Certified copy of registered land documents of all the khasra Nos uploaded alongwith affidavit. The Khasra No.4167/2036 is not mentioned in the land document because khasra No. 4167/2036 is the part of Khasra no. 2036. after mutation the aforesaid part is Khasra No. 4167/2036. (Annexure-8) ix. The institution has submitted updated and maintained information about in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time. (Annexure-9) x. Geotagged Photograph uploaded and the part of building was repaired. (Annexure-10) xi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall along with adequate furniture. (Annexure-11) xii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading furniture as per NCTE norms (Annexure-12) xiii. Geotagged photographs of Computer labs and ICT related facilities are uploaded (Annexure-13) xiv. Name of the College is permanent paint on the outside balcony wall. photograph is uploaded. (Annexure-14) xv. List of teaching staff duly countersigned by its affiliating body in the prescribed format of NCTE uploaded. (Annexure-15) xvi. The institution has submitted the bank statement issued by wherein the salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. (Annexure-16). The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the observations/deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee and the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014, and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has complied with the requirements relating to transformation into a multidisciplinary institution and furnished supporting documents, including certificate of requirement for teacher education programme issued by the Government of Rajasthan, approval of collaboration by the affiliating university, and documentary evidence regarding distance/radius criteria between collaborating institutions. The institution further submitted that it has uploaded the exemption certificate under Form 12A, latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), Fire Safety Certificate, approved building plan, building completion certificate, land-related affidavit, khasra documents and updated institutional website in compliance with the applicable Regulations. The institution also submitted geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities, including repair of building, multipurpose hall, library, ICT/computer laboratory facilities and permanent display of institutional signage. The institution further submitted that the list of teaching staff duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed format and salary-related bank statements evidencing payment as per applicable pay scales have also been furnished. The institution undertook that all documents submitted are genuine, valid and verifiable and that

the institution fulfils the applicable statutory, infrastructural, academic and regulatory requirements.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 11.03.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely OM Shiv Sansthan T.T. College, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies relating to requirement justification under Clause 4.3(i), approval of collaboration, distance criteria, exemption/not-for-profit status, Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), fire safety, land/building infrastructure, website compliance, geo-tagged infrastructure, teaching staff and salary payment under the applicable NCTE norms and Guidelines for transformation into a multidisciplinary institution. The appellant institution submitted that the requirement certificate issued by the Aayuktalaya, College Shiksha Rajasthan, Jaipur, vide letter dated 13.02.2026, justifying the requirement of teacher education programme in the area under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines, had been furnished. It was further submitted that the proposal for collaboration between OM Shiv Sansthan T.T. College and Om Shiv Sansthan College had been approved by the affiliating university in terms of Clause 4.3(a) of the applicable Guidelines, and documentary proof in this regard had been furnished. The appellant further submitted that documentary evidence issued by the Tehsildar Office dated 19.01.2026 had been furnished establishing that both institutions are situated within a 10-kilometre radius, in compliance with the applicable NCTE Guidelines. It was also submitted that the Income Tax Exemption Certificate had been uploaded. The appellant institution submitted that the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by the Office of the Tehsildar on 23.03.2026, certifying the land to be free from encumbrances, had been furnished. It was further submitted that the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the Municipal Council, Chittorgarh, verifiable through the official portal of the Government of Rajasthan Fire Department, had been uploaded. With regard to infrastructure,

the appellant institution submitted that the building plan and Building Completion Certificate, approved by the Kanistha Abhiyanta, PWD Upkhand-I, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan and the Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat Mangalwad, had been furnished indicating earmarked land and built-up area for multidisciplinary and teacher education programmes, namely 10,000 sq. metres for multidisciplinary programmes and 4,018 sq. metres for ITEP (total land area 14,018 sq. metres), with 5,000 sq. metres built-up area for multidisciplinary programmes and 3,000 sq. metres for ITEP. The appellant further submitted that certified copies of registered land documents had been furnished and clarified that Khasra No. 4167/2036 emerged upon mutation from Khasra No. 2036 and therefore forms part of the same land holding. It was also submitted that the institutional website had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The appellant institution further submitted that geo-tagged photographs evidencing the repaired building, Multipurpose Hall with adequate furniture, Library Reading Room with prescribed seating capacity, Computer/ICT facilities, and the permanent display of the college name on the building had been furnished. It was also submitted that the teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed NCTE format and bank statements evidencing payment of salary in accordance with Central/State Government pay scales had been uploaded. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the observations/deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee and the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014, and the MDI Guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished documents relating to requirement certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan, affiliating university approval for collaboration, and proof regarding the prescribed distance/radius criteria between collaborating institutions. The institution further submitted Form 12A exemption certificate, Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), Fire Safety Certificate, approved building plan, building completion certificate, land-related documents/affidavit and updated website compliance. It was also submitted that geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities, including multipurpose hall, library, ICT/computer laboratory and institutional signage, have been uploaded. The institution further submitted a duly countersigned faculty list in the prescribed format and salary-related bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education - Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read

with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised

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Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 11.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 11.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.-

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. **The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.**



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Bhartiya Teachers Training College, Khasra No. 304/164, 305/164, Village - Chandpura, Bajaj Gram Sanwali Sikar, Jaipur -Bikaner Bypass, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sh. Hetram, Vice President
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Bhartiya Teachers Training College, Khasra No. 304/164, 305/164, Village - Chandpura, Bajaj Gram Sanwali Sikar, Jaipur -Bikaner Bypass, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021** dated 09.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/ 2627202509243196/ RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1858** dated **04.05.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The name of the institution mentioned in the affiliation order for multi-disciplinary course uploaded by the institution is 'Bhartiya Teachers Training College' whereas the name of applicant institution is 'Bharti College'. The names of institution mismatch. The institution is not running multi-disciplinary courses in the field of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce or mathematics as per Regulation No. NCTE Regl011/80/2018-MS(Regulation)-HQ dated 26.10.2021 as amended from time to time and 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. ii. The institution uploaded fire safety certificate on the fire NOC portal is not in the name of the institution or Parent Body. The approved plot area in the Fire safety certificate is mentioned 2517 sq.mts. whereas the land area in the land details column is mentioned 11100 sq.mts. Both land area mismatch. The institution is required to upload requisite Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. iii. The institution has uploaded the BCC wherein the total built-up area has been mentioned as 2690.70 sq. mt. and the year of completion of the building has been mentioned as 2015. The same is not acceptable keeping in view that during reply to SCN on 26.11.2020, the institution submitted the BCC wherein the total built-up area has been mentioned as 4020 sq. mt. and the year of completion of the building has been mentioned as 2008. Further, there is a difference in the floor-wise built-up area also. In the BCC submitted in the original Application, the ground floor mentioned as 1540 sq. mt., Mist floor is 1540 sq. mt. & Second floor is 1540 sq. mt. whereas the present BCC uploaded makes a mention as ground floor is 896.90 sq. mt., first floor is 896.90 sq. mt. & Second floor is 896.90 sq. mt. 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. iv. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) in respect Khasra/Plot/Survey No. 305/164 issued by Competent Government Authority. v. The institution has not update and maintain the website "www.btcsikar.in" in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i),8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. vi. A flex board with the name of the college is seen to be put up temporarily. This board can be removed at any time. vii. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether the institution is paying salaries to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms. viii. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. ix. ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photograph. x. NCTE (WRC) noted that in the Land Details Built Up area mentioned in the Affidavit (in sq m) is 2690.70. The institution is running multidisciplinary and teacher education programme/courses in the same campus/premises i.e. B.A. 60x3180, B.Sc.60x3180. The sufficiency of land and built-up area for the above courses with of multidisciplinary courses and intake for Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) degree 2units, B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), course cannot be ascertained. xi. The uploaded building plan is not proper. 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. But 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 programme. xii. The institution has uploaded the list of teaching staff duly countersigned by its affiliating body but not in bed format of NCTE and not as per NCTE norms. xiii. Committee noted that, the geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms, furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. xiv. The institution uploaded fire safety certificate on the fire NOC portal is not in the name of the institution or Parent Body. Th approved plot area in the Fire safety certificate is mentioned 2517 sq. mts. whereas the land area in the land details column is mentioned 11100 sq. mts. Both land area mismatch. The institution is required to upload requisite Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL [https:// lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/ track_application.aspx](https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx)."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Hetram, Vice President of Bhartiya Teachers Training College, Khasra No. 304/164, 305/164, Village - Chandpura, Bajaj Gram Sanwali Sikar, Jaipur -Bikaner Bypass, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "i. Memorandum of merger issued by the Commissioner college education Rajasthan Govt. Jaipur vide letter ref No. 21825881 dated 27.04.2026 (b) Memorandum of merger issued by affiliating body_i.e., PDUSU, Sikar. wide letter no.39131 dated 20.04.2026 (c) Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati University, Sikar has issued a No Objection Certificate (NOC) to Bhartiya Teachers Training College, Chandpura, Sikar and Bharti College, Sikar, both run by BPS SHIKSHAN SANSTHAN, for operating as a multidisciplinary institution vide letter no. 38030 dated 24/02/2026, which is enclosed herewith." 2. A affidavit of 100 non-judicial stamp paper is attached. The Fire Safety Certificate uploaded on the Fire NOC portal was issued in the name of parent body BPS Shikshan Sansthan. The plot area mentioned as 2517 sq. mts. was a typographical error, whereas the actual approved land area is 11100 sq. mts. We have already applied to the Nagar Parishad, Sikar for correction of this error, and a copy of the application no. LF1720260001322, dated 07-04-2026 is attached herewith for your kind reference. We assure you that the corrected Certificate, duly issued by the Fire Safety Department, Nagar Parishad, Sikar, Rajasthan will be uploaded immediately upon receipt." 3. In the year 2008, the Bharatiya Teachers Training College operated by the BPS Shikshan Sansthan was granted recognition by the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) for a B.Ed. program with an intake capacity of 100 seats, for this purpose, a built-up area of ??1,500 square meters was stipulated as a requirement under the NCTE Regulations, 2008. Subsequently. In 2015, the Institute submitted applications for B.A.-B.Ed. and B.Sc.-B.Ed. programs, for which a built-up area of 2,500 square meters was required in accordance with the standards set forth in Appendix-13 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. With a view to addressing future requirements, accommodating the growing student body, and fostering the development of academic infrastructure, the Society has over time and utilizing the designated Building Fund constructed new classrooms, laboratories, a library, and other essential infrastructural facilities. Currently, the Institute possesses a total built-up area of ??4,620 square meters, which fully complies with the standards and requirements prescribed by the Council. The Institutes building has been constructed in strict accordance with the details outlined in the submitted Building Completion Certificate. 4. A latest Land Use Certificate (CLU) Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) in respect Khasra/Plot/Survey No. 305/164 issued by Competent Government Authority is attached. 5. The Institutes website (www.bttesikar.in) is

being update time to time as per to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 and will be update time to time as per NCTE guidelines. An affidavit of 2100 non-judicial stamp paper is attached. 6. A permanent board with the name of the college is placed in right manner. Geotagged Photo is attached. 7. The bank statements of all teaching staff have been duly attached for verification. The salary transactions have been highlighted in yellow for each month to clearly demonstrate that payments are being made as per the Central/State Government pay scale norms. Further, our society, BPS Shikshan Sansthan, hereby submits the proposal that after 13 February 2026, all salary transaction payments shall continue to be made strictly as per the Central/State Government pay scale norms. The relevant bank statements are attached for your kind information and verification. We request your kind acceptance of this submission for compliance purposes. 8. The Institute have adequate furniture for library reading room. Geotagged Photos are attached. 9. The institute have a computer lab. Geotagged Photos are attached. 10. The Institution is running multidisciplinary and teacher education programmes in the same campus however, all required infrastructure facilities, including adequate classrooms, laboratories, library, multipurpose hall, and other essential amenities, are available as per the norms prescribed under NCTE Regulations, 2014 and amendments made from time to time. All course approved building plan and an affidavit of? 100 non-judicial stamp paper is attached for your kind reference. 11. The Building Plan approved by the Assistant Town Planner, UIT, Sikar (Government of Rajasthan). The teacher education programmes earmarked with the Blue colour & multi-disciplinary programmes demarcated with Red colour also. The khasra No 304/164 and 305/164, Total land area with total built up area for each course on the building plan. 12. Our institution has sufficient teaching staff as per NCTE Regulation 2014 and subsequent amendments from time to time. The affiliating university, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati University, Sikar, Rajasthan, has duly issued the Teaching Staff Approval List in its prescribed format. The latest approved list of teaching staff as per NCTE Regulation 2014 is attached herewith for your kind reference. 13. The Institute have adequate furniture in the multipurpose hall. Geotagged Photos are attached. 14. A affidavit of?100 non-judicial stamp paper is attached. The Fire Safety Certificate uploaded on the Fire NOC portal was issued in the name of parent body BPS Shikshan Sansthan. The plot area mentioned as 2517 sq. mts. was a typographical error, whereas the actual approved land area is 11100 sq. mts. We have already applied to the Nagar Parishad, Sikar for correction of this error, and a copy of application no. LF1720260001322, dated 07-04-2026 is attached herewith for your kind reference. We assure you that the corrected Certificate, duly issued by the Fire Safety Department, Nagar Parishad, Sikar, Rajasthan, will be uploaded immediately upon receipt.

- The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee and the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act,

1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014, applicable Norms & Standards and MDI Guidelines, wherever applicable. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement NOC Certificate issued by the State Government, approval of merger arrangement by the affiliating university and State Government, and documents relating to multidisciplinary integration. The institution further submitted the latest Fire Safety Certificate, land documents including sale deed, Patta, CLU orders, mutation certificate and Khasra Milan Report, along with approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate issued by the competent authority. It was also submitted that the institutional website has been updated in compliance with the applicable Regulations and geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities have been uploaded. The institution further submitted salary bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels and a teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed format.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 04.05.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Bhartiya Teachers Training College, Chandpura, Sikar, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies relating to merger approval, fire safety certification, land use, built-up area, website compliance, salary payment, infrastructure facilities, building plan and teaching staff under the applicable NCTE Regulations, 2014 and Guidelines for transformation into Multidisciplinary Institutions. The appellant institution submitted that the Memorandum of Merger had been approved by the Commissioner, College Education, Rajasthan, Jaipur vide letter dated 27.04.2026, and by the affiliating body, namely Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati University (PDUSU), Sikar vide letter dated 20.04.2026. It was further submitted that the affiliating university had also issued a No Objection Certificate dated 24.02.2026 permitting Bhartiya Teachers Training College and Bharti College, Sikar, both run by BPS Shikshan Sansthan, to function as a multidisciplinary institution. With regard to Fire Safety Certificate, the appellant institution

submitted that the certificate uploaded on the Fire NOC portal had been issued in the name of the parent body, namely BPS Shikshan Sansthan, and that the mention of 2517 sq. metres as plot area was a typographical error, whereas the correct land area is 11,100 sq. metres. It was submitted that an application for correction had already been made before Nagar Parishad, Sikar vide application dated 07.04.2026, and a corrected certificate issued by the competent authority would be furnished upon receipt. The appellant institution further submitted that the institution had initially been granted NCTE recognition in 2008 for B.Ed. (100 seats) and subsequently applied for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programmes in 2015. It was stated that, in compliance with applicable norms, additional classrooms, laboratories, library and infrastructure had been developed over time and that the institution presently possesses a total built-up area of 4,620 sq. metres, in conformity with the prescribed NCTE requirements and reflected in the Building Completion Certificate. The appellant further submitted that the latest Change of Land Use (CLU) Certificate, issued in Form-11 under Rule 7(1) of the Rajasthan Land Use Rules, 2012, for Khasra No. 305/164, had been furnished. It was also submitted that the institutional website, namely www.bttesikar.in, had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, supported by an affidavit. The appellant institution submitted that a permanent name board of the institution had been installed and geo-tagged photographs furnished. It was further submitted that salary payments to teaching staff are being made through banking channels in accordance with Central/State Government pay scale norms, supported by bank statements and an undertaking by the sponsoring society for continued compliance. With regard to infrastructure, the appellant institution submitted that the Library Reading Room, Computer Lab/ICT facilities, and Multipurpose Hall are adequately furnished and compliant with NCTE norms, supported by geo-tagged photographs. It was also submitted that both multidisciplinary and teacher education programmes are being conducted in the same campus with adequate infrastructure facilities, including classrooms, laboratories, library and multipurpose hall. The appellant further submitted that the Building Plan, approved by the Assistant Town Planner, UIT, Sikar, clearly demarcates the areas earmarked for teacher education programmes and multidisciplinary programmes, indicating Khasra Nos. 304/164 and 305/164, total land area and course-wise built-up area. It was also submitted that the institution possesses adequate teaching staff as per NCTE Regulations, 2014, duly approved by Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati University, Sikar, and the approved staff list had been furnished. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee and applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014, applicable Norms & Standards and MDI Guidelines, wherever applicable. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished

the Requirement NOC Certificate issued by the State Government, approval of merger arrangement by the affiliating university and State Government, and documents relating to multidisciplinary integration. The institution further submitted Fire Safety Certificate, CLU orders, land-related documents including Sale Deed, Patta, Mutation Certificate and Khasra Milan Report, along with approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate issued by the competent authority. It was also submitted that the institutional website has been updated in compliance with the applicable Regulations and geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities have been uploaded. The institution further submitted salary bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels and a teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed format.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area

and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognized that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognized that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasizes that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 04.05.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from

the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 04.05.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Bhartiya Teachers Training College, Khasra No. 304/164, 305/164, Village - Chandpura, Bajaj Gram Sanwali Sikar, Jaipur -Bikaner Bypass, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.

4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

**एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-176/E-408699/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615658 -**

Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 303/164, 306/164, Village - Chandpura, Bikaner Bypass Road, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 303/164, 306/164, Village - Chandpura, Bikaner Bypass Road, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021** dated 11.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509223053/ RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1948** dated 04.05.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “.

The name of applicant institution is 'Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya' and name of multidisciplinary Institution is 'Bhartiya Mahila P.G. Mahavidyalaya. Hence, there is a mismatch with respect to the name of the college. The institution is not running multi-disciplinary courses in the field of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce or mathematics as per Regulation No. NCTE Regl011/80/2018- MS(Regulation)-HQ dated 26.10.2021 as amended from time to time and 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. ii. Copy of building plan certified by Sahayak Abhiyanta is uploaded showing Khasra No.303/164,306/164 Total land area 11100 sq.mts. and earmarking built up area in the name of BHARTIYA BALIKA SHIKSHAK PRASHIKSHAN MAHAVIDYALAYA, BIKANER BY PASS ROAD, CHANDPURA, SIKAR Block-A (G.F.+F.F.+S.F.) B.Ed. and B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. (Built up area 3000 sq.mts.) and B.A., M.A. (built up area 1500 sq.mts.) and in the name of BHARTIYA MAHILA PG MAHAVIDYALAYA, CHANDPURA, SIKAR RAJ. Block-B (G.F.+F.F.) M.SC., B.SC. (built up area 2214.97 sq.mts. Khasra nos. mentioned in the building plan is not reflected in the recognition order for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. course. iii. The institution is conducting degree courses i.e. B.A. intake of multidisciplinary courses and 100 intakes for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. and 200 intake for B.Ed. course cannot be ascertained, since the institution has mentioned the total built-up area 4500 sq.mts. iv. The website of the institution is not functional. The functional website of institution has not been created, maintained and updated in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. v. As per given geographic location, name of institution "Bhartiya Institute of Engineering &..." is shown on the google map. As per transition application geographic location coordinates with latitude 27.5711109 and longitude 75.1437159 pertains to the institution, whereas different latitude 75.14382487591412 and different longitude 27.571001100291976 are mentioned in its reply to point of SCN and no explanation submitted

in reply of point of Final Show Cause Notice post Preliminary Scrutiny. vi. Committee noted that the geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. vii. Committee noted that the geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. viii. The Institution has not uploaded the list of teaching staff per NCTE norms for all courses of teacher education duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body in the prescribed format of NCTE. ix. Committee noted that, College Khasra Numbers/plot numbers and other details are not mentioned in the uploaded building safety certificate no.1906 issued on dated 03.10.2025 is without office seal of certificate issuing authority. It has not mentioned therein that the certificate is issued in adherence of safety guidelines as prescribed by National/State Disaster Management Authority as required under NCTE Regulations, 2021. x. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms, furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. xi. The institution has not uploaded the proper 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.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Principal of Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 303/164, 306/164, Village - Chandpura, Bikaner Bypass Road, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “1. Memorandum of merger issued by the Commissioner college education Govt of Rajasthan, Jaipur. wide letter Rajkaj Ref No 21825881 dated 27-04-2026 (b) Memorandum of merger issued by affiliating body i.e, PDUSU, Sikar. (c) Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati University, Sikar has issued a No Objection Certificate (NOC) to Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, and Bhartiya Mahila P.G. Mahavidyalaya, both run by Bhartiya Balika Shiksha Avm Anusandhan Sansthan, for operating as a multidisciplinary institution vide letter no. 38033 dated 24/02/2026, which is enclosed herewith. 2. The recognition order is issued for the institution and the concerned course only, whereas the land and building particulars, including Khasra Nos. 303/164 and 306/164, total land area of 11100 sq. mts., and earmarked built-up area, are duly incorporated in the building plan certified by the A.En (Public Works Department, Rajasthan. Govt.) In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that there is no provision under the NCTE norms, Regulations, or prescribed format

of recognition orders to mention Khasra Numbers/details of land in the recognition order issued by NCTE in year 2017. The recognition order issued by NCTE in year 2017. The recognition order is course – specific and institution-specific and generally does not contain land particulars such as Khasra Numbers. 3. It is respectfully submitted that total land area is 11100 sq. mts. and total built -up area is as per approved plan. The built – up area has been properly demarcated for: Teacher Education Programmes (B.Ed., B.A.B.Ed., B.Sc.B.Ed.) Multidisciplinary courses (B.A., B.Sc., M.A., M.Sc.) A detailed chart showing course -wise allocation of built – up area is enclosed to remove any ambiguity. 4. The Institutes website(www.bhartiyacollege.in) is being update time to time as per to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 and will be update time to time as per NCTE guidelines. An affidavit of 100 non-judicial stamp paper is attached. 5. With reference to the discrepancy in the latitude and longitude, it is respectfully submitted that the variation is due to a minor change in the location from where the photographs were taken. The institution was established in the year 2005 and has been continuously operating on the same land and in the same building since its establishment. There has been no change in the actual location of the institution. We regret the earlier discrepancy and request you to kindly consider the above clarification. Supporting documents, including geo-tagged photographs are enclosed for your kind verification. 6. The institute have volleyball, kabbadi grounds with their sports equipment. Geotagged Photos are attached. 7. The library has been upgraded as per NCTE norms. Updated geo-tagged photographs showing adequate seating capacity are enclosed. 8. Our institution has sufficient teaching staff as per NCTE Regulation 2014 and subsequent amendments from time to time. The affiliating university, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati University, Sikar, Rajasthan, has duly issued the Teaching Staff Approval List in its prescribed format. The approved list of teaching staff is attached herewith for your kind reference. 9. Govt of Rajasthan Public works Department has been issued Building Safety Certificate dated 03-10-2025 with ref. no 1906. It has been issued by the competent government authority i.e. Executive Engineer, PWD-II, Sikar. The PWD office bearer has been forgot to put seal on this certificate now the department issue sealed & signed certificate with khasra number. 10. The Institute have adequate furniture in the multipurpose hall. Geotagged photos are attached. 11. The Building Plan duly approved by the competent authority Govt of Rajasthan, PWD, Sikar, indicating its khasra No. total built-up area is attached herewith clearly earmarked with (1) Red colour 1500 sq. meter built up area (Block – A) for Multi-disciplinary course (2) Blue Colour 2214.97 sq. mt. built up area (Block – B) (3) Magenta colour 3000 sq. meter built up area (Block – A) for 2 year B.Ed. & Integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed.” The appellat institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee and applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014, applicable Norms & Standards and MDI

Guidelines, wherever applicable. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement Satisfied NOC Certificate issued by the State Government, approval of merger arrangement by the affiliating university and State Government, and documents relating to multidisciplinary integration. The institution further submitted the latest Fire Safety Certificate, land-related documents including sale deed, patta, CLU/conversion orders, mutation certificate and Khasra Milan Report, along with approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate issued by the competent authority. It was also submitted that the institutional website has been updated in compliance with the applicable Regulations and geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities have been uploaded. The institution further submitted salary bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels and a teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed format.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 04.05.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Sikar, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies relating to merger approval, land/building particulars, website compliance, geo-location discrepancy, infrastructure facilities, teaching staff, building safety certificate and approved building plan under the applicable NCTE Regulations, 2014 and Guidelines for transformation into Multidisciplinary Institutions. The appellant institution submitted that the Memorandum of Merger had been approved by the Commissioner, College Education, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur vide Rajkaj Ref. No. 21825881 dated 27.04.2026, and by the affiliating body, namely Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati University (PDUSU), Sikar. It was further submitted that PDUSU, Sikar vide NOC dated 24.02.2026 had accorded approval to Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya and Bhartiya Mahila P.G. Mahavidyalaya, both managed by Bhartiya Balika Shiksha Avm Anusandhan Sansthan, for functioning as a

multidisciplinary institution. The appellant institution further submitted that the recognition order issued by NCTE in 2017 is institution/course specific and does not ordinarily contain land particulars such as Khasra numbers, whereas the details relating to Khasra Nos. 303/164 and 306/164, total land area of 11,100 sq. metres and earmarked built-up area are duly reflected in the approved Building Plan certified by the Assistant Engineer, Public Works Department, Rajasthan. It was further submitted that the institution possesses 11,100 sq. metres of land and requisite built-up area duly demarcated for teacher education programmes (B.Ed., B.A.B.Ed., B.Sc.B.Ed.) and multidisciplinary courses (B.A., B.Sc., M.A., M.Sc.), and that a detailed course-wise allocation chart had been furnished. The appellant institution submitted that the institutional website, namely www.bhartiyacollege.in, had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, supported by an affidavit. Regarding discrepancy in latitude and longitude, it was submitted that the variation occurred due to a minor difference in the point from where geo-tagged photographs were taken and that the institution has continued to function on the same land and premises since its establishment in 2005. The appellant further submitted that the institution has sports facilities, including volleyball and kabaddi grounds, and that the Library Reading Room has been upgraded with adequate seating capacity in accordance with NCTE norms, supported by geo-tagged photographs. It was also submitted that the institution possesses adequate teaching staff as per NCTE Regulations, 2014, duly approved by PDUSU, Sikar, and the approved teaching staff list had been furnished. The appellant institution further submitted that the Building Safety Certificate dated 03.10.2025 bearing Ref. No. 1906, issued by the Executive Engineer, PWD-II, Sikar, had subsequently been furnished with proper seal, signature and mention of Khasra numbers. It was also submitted that the Multipurpose Hall is adequately furnished and supported by geo-tagged photographs. The appellant further submitted that the Building Plan duly approved by PWD, Government of Rajasthan, Sikar, indicating Khasra numbers, total land area and course-wise earmarked built-up area, had been furnished, showing demarcation for multidisciplinary courses and teacher education programmes through separate colour-coded blocks. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement NOC Certificate issued by the State Government, approval of merger arrangement by the affiliating university and State Government, and documents relating to multidisciplinary integration. The institution further submitted the latest Fire Safety Certificate, CLU/conversion orders, land documents including sale deed, patta, mutation certificate and Khasra Milan Report, along with approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate. It was also submitted that the institutional website has been updated and geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities have been uploaded. The institution further

submitted salary bank statements and a teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed format.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to mandatory statutory requirements governing duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition

norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 04.05.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of requirement of appointment of duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters/deficiencies identified in the impugned order, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution

qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure & instructional facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 04.05.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Bhartiya Balika Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 303/164, 306/164, Village - Chandpura, Bikaner Bypass Road, Sikar, Rajasthan-332021.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-177/E-408709/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615611 -

S S Jain Subodh P G College, Khasra No. 462, Gandhi Nagar, Rambagh Circle, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302004.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **S S Jain Subodh P G College, Khasra No. 462, Gandhi Nagar, Rambagh Circle, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302004** dated 23.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2526202405253353/RAJASTHAN/2024/REJC/1585** dated 18.02.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The institution did not upload any reply of Show Cause Notice after VT dated 26.09.2025 and following deficiencies are still persisting: - Recommendation of the State Government is not presented and not uploaded. Given Website address is not correct. Particulars of Authorized Person/Representative: DR. ASHOK KUMAR SIDANA is not present during VT meeting. Details of Head/ Principal of the Institution: PROF. K. B. SHARMA is not present during VT meeting. Affiliating Body NOC is not presented and not uploaded. Shri Swetambar Sthanikwasi Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti is the name of the trust in the shown documents during VT meeting but Institute using S. S. Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti as name of the trust everywhere. Trust Name is not matching. Shri Swetambar Sthanikwasi Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti is name of the Trust in the shown documents during VT meeting but using S. S. Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti as name of the trust everywhere. DETAILS OF NON-ENCUMBRANCE CERTIFICATE: Name is not matching in the Mutation Certificate. DETAILS OF LAND: Not accepted. Trust name is not presented and not uploaded. Building plans is not accepted. The loaded building plans is not updated as per the uses of the institute. And the shown area in the building plans is not according to the norms of the applied courses as institute is running many different courses in same building. The multipurpose hall and library-cum-reading room are not dedicated for the applied courses. These areas are shared by the other courses also. break – up of built – up area mentioned in the building plan for the Teacher Education Programmes: Not Accepted. The uploaded building plans is not updated as per the uses of the institute. And the shown area in the building plans is not according to the norms of the applied courses as institute is running many different courses in same building. The multipurpose hall and library-cum-reading room are shared with other courses. There is no separate succession register. All stock registers are with pedagogy books in the library. There is no separate sessional register. All stock registers are with the pedagogy books in the library. There is no authorized person available. There are no longer the principal. There is a new one. There is no authorized person available. There are no front webs is not exclusively for ITEP. The norm of the application is no Accepted. Dr. Ashok K Sidana is not present during VT meeting. The buildings seem in the front rise Built-Up Area (in sq m): Not Accepted.

Affidavit submitted by the institution: Not running under the same trust. Revision of the trust, and there are many institutes running under the same trust. The certificate is in the name of the trust, and there are many institutes and college, it is recommended and assessed to the institution, and they improve institution and structural facilities separately for all the applied courses. Building Safety Certificate and Fire Safety Certificate is not in the name of the institute.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of S S Jain Subodh P G College, Khasra No. 462, Gandhi Nagar, Rambagh Circle, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302004 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “I. Administrative & Legal Compliance Point 1, 21, 35 (State Government Recommendation/NOC): The Recommendation/NOC from the Government of Rajasthan has now been obtained and is being submitted/uploaded as part of this appeal. Point 4, 22, 35 (Affiliating Body NOC): The No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the affiliating University for the ITEP programme has been duly obtained and is enclosed. Point 5, 6, 11–13 (Trust Name Discrepancy): It is clarified that “Shri Swetambar Sthanikwasi Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti” and “S.S. Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti” refer to the same legal entity. A duly notarized affidavit confirming the same is attached. Point 2, 3, 14, 17, 29, 32 (Authorized Representative & Principal): During the VT meeting, Dr. Ashok Kumar Sidana and Prof. K.B. Sharma could not attend due to unavoidable exigencies. However, both the authorized representative and the Principal are now available and actively present at the institution. Point 1, 9, 25, 38 (Website Compliance): The institutional website has been updated as per NCTE norms, and all mandatory disclosures are now correctly displayed and accessible. II. Land and Infrastructure Point 7, 8, 14–16 (Land Mutation & CLU): The Mutation Certificate and Land Use Certificate (CLU) have been updated, and the discrepancy in the trust name has been rectified. Point 9, 16, 17 (Non-Encumbrance Certificate): A renewed Non-Encumbrance Certificate has been obtained from the competent authority and is enclosed. Point 10, 11, 13, 18–25, 30, 34, 37 (Building Plan & Usage): The building plan has been revised to reflect dedicated infrastructure for ITEP. Exclusive areas for the Multipurpose Hall and Library-cum-Reading Room have been earmarked for teacher education. The building façade clearly indicates the designated ITEP block. Point 12, 23, 26, 27, 36, 42 (Safety Certificates): Building Safety and Fire Safety Certificates have been re-issued specifically in the name of the institution. Point 12, 28 (Facilities for PwD): Dedicated facilities, including toilets for persons with disabilities, have been constructed as per prescribed norms. III. Instructional Facilities Point 18, 32 (Pedagogy Books): A comprehensive collection of pedagogy-related books for B.A. B.Ed., B.Sc. B.Ed., and B.Com. B.Ed. has been added. Point 18, 19, 33, 34 (Registers & Accession): Separate

accession and stock registers for ITEP have been maintained to ensure independent record-keeping. IV. Compliance Status Point 26, 40, 41: All infrastructural and instructional deficiencies have been duly rectified. The institution now possesses the complete infrastructure required for the proposed ITEP units. Conclusion and Request for Grant of Recognition S.S. Jain Subodh P.G. College, Jaipur is a prestigious institution with over 70 years of excellence in higher education. Established in 1954, the college has consistently upheld the highest academic standards. Some of our notable achievements include NAAC A++ Grade (4th Cycle) with CGPA 3.62 Consistent presence in NIRF Rankings (Rank 81 in 2024) Recognized as Model College by Government of Rajasthan College of Excellence Status by UGC Star College Status by DBT National recognitions in community contribution and inclusivity. The institution fully meets all eligibility norms prescribed for ITEP in terms of infrastructure, faculty, laboratories, and academic environment. Prayer In view of the above compliance and credentials, we humbly request the Hon'ble Authority to: Set aside the Refusal Order dated 18/02/2026 Grant recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) Approve one unit (50 students each) in the following programmes: B.A. B.Ed. B.Sc. B.Ed. B.Com. B.Ed. We assure our full commitment to maintaining the highest standards in teacher education and contributing to nation-building through quality educators. We kindly request that recognition be granted for the academic session 2026–27. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the observations/deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee through the impugned order dated 18.02.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has complied with the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. The institution further undertook that all requisite documents and compliances prescribed under the applicable NCTE framework have been submitted and that the institution fulfils the requirements for operating as a Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institution. It was also submitted that the documents furnished are genuine, valid, subsisting and verifiable from the concerned statutory authorities.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 31.05.2024. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 18.02.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely S.S. Jain Subodh P.G. College, Jaipur, Rajasthan, in appeal against the refusal order dated 18.02.2026 pertaining to grant of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). The appellant institution submitted that there had been a slight delay in filing the appeal owing to the time taken in obtaining approvals and signatures from the concerned Government authorities. It was submitted that the Recommendation/NOC of the Government of Rajasthan and the No Objection Certificate from the affiliating University for the proposed ITEP programme had since been obtained and furnished. The appellant further submitted that the discrepancy in the name of the sponsoring society, namely "Shri Swetambar Sthanikwasi Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti" and "S.S. Jain Subodh Shiksha Samiti", pertains to the same legal entity and a notarized affidavit clarifying the same had been furnished. It was also submitted that the authorized representative and Principal, who could not remain present during the VT proceedings due to unavoidable circumstances, are presently available and functioning in the institution. The appellant institution submitted that the institutional website had been updated and maintained in accordance with NCTE norms, and all mandatory disclosures had been made accessible. It was further submitted that the Mutation Certificate, Land Use Certificate (CLU) and Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) had been updated and discrepancies relating to the trust name had been rectified. With regard to infrastructure, the appellant submitted that the Building Plan had been revised to earmark exclusive infrastructure for ITEP, including separate areas for the Multipurpose Hall and Library-cum-Reading Room, and that the institutional building clearly identifies the designated ITEP block. It was also submitted that the Building Safety Certificate and Fire Safety Certificate had been re-issued specifically in the name of the institution and that facilities for Persons with Disabilities (PwD), including dedicated toilets, had been provided as per prescribed norms. The appellant institution further submitted that a comprehensive collection of pedagogy-related books for B.A.B.Ed., B.Sc.B.Ed. and B.Com.B.Ed. programmes had been added and separate accession and stock registers for ITEP had been maintained to ensure independent record-keeping. It was submitted that all instructional and infrastructural deficiencies had been rectified and that the institution presently possesses the requisite infrastructure for the proposed ITEP units. The appellant institution also submitted details regarding its academic standing, including NAAC A++ accreditation (4th Cycle), NIRF ranking, Model College status by the Government of Rajasthan, UGC College of Excellence status, and DBT Star College recognition, and stated

that the institution possesses the required academic environment, laboratories, faculty and infrastructure for conduct of the proposed B.A.B.Ed., B.Sc.B.Ed. and B.Com.B.Ed. programmes. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 18.02.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has complied with the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time), and the Guidelines for Transformation into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. The institution further submitted that requisite compliances/documents under the applicable NCTE framework have been furnished and affirmed compliance with the requirements relating to operation as a Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institution. It was also submitted that the documents furnished are genuine, valid and verifiable from the concerned statutory authorities.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such

examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 18.02.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable

documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 18.02.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, S S Jain Subodh P G College, Khasra No. 462, Gandhi Nagar, Rambagh Circle, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302004.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.**
3. **The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**

4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4,
Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-
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NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)
G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

**एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-178/E-408712/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615659 -**

<p>Asha Devi College, Plot No. 2366/2280/1477, Village - Sadulpur, Khemana Road, Churu District, Rajasthan-331023.</p> <p>APPELLANT</p>	<p><u>Vs</u></p>	<p>Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.</p> <p>RESPONDENT</p>
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<p>Representative of Appellant</p>	<p>Sh. Vijay Kumar Sarsawat, Assistant Professor</p>
<p>Respondent by</p>	<p>Regional Director, WRC</p>
<p>Date of Hearing</p>	<p>15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026</p>
<p>Date of Pronouncement</p>	<p>02.06.2026</p>

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Asha Devi College, Plot No. 2366/2280/1477, Village - Sadulpur, Khemana Road, Churu District, Rajasthan-331023** dated 04.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509223052/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1730** dated 24.04.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The Khasra Nos.2367 and 2368 are mentioned in Building Plan and BCC in addition to the Khasra No. mentioned by the institution in the online application which does not match. Further the institution has not uploaded the Certified copy of land document in respect of Khasra No. 2367 and 2368. ii. In the uploaded Fire NOC as per Fire NOC portal mentioned land area is 3338 sq.mts. whereas in the land detail area in online application portal, land area is 10000 sq.mts. The land area is mismatch. The institution is required to upload Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://sgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. iii. The institution website <http://ashadevicollege.com/> is not operational at the time of scrutiny The institution is required to update and maintained the website in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. iv. 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 area and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes. v. The geotagged photographs uploaded clearly show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. vi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. vii. Asha Devi International School, this school is operating at J9G6 M5V Sadulpur. viii. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether the institution is paying salaries to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Vijay Kumar Sarsawat, Assistant Professor of Asha Devi College, Plot No. 2366/2280/1477, Village - Sadulpur, Khemana Road, Churu District, Rajasthan-331023 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "All the documents submitted along with present appeal. The deficiencies pointed out by the Regional Committee have been rectified. Kindly accept the appeal and remand back the matter to WRC's to decide afresh and further WRC may be directed to issue order for transition to institution."

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit vide letter dated 18.05.2026 received on 20.05.2026 in response to the deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished land khasra verification certificate, certified land documents, approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate, along with Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority. The institution further submitted that the institutional website has been updated in compliance with the applicable Regulations and geotagged photographs relating to library, multipurpose hall and infrastructural facilities have been uploaded. It was also submitted that salary bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels and Google-map/geotagged photographs of the institution have been furnished. The institution further submitted that it is an existing Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) conducting undergraduate programmes and recognized 4-Year Integrated Teacher Education Programme(s), and that the present proposal pertains to transition of the existing programme into ITEP.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 03.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 24.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that all requisite documents had been submitted along with the present appeal and that the deficiencies pointed out by the concerned Regional

Committee had since been rectified. The appellant institution further submitted that the matter may be reconsidered afresh by the concerned Regional Committee in light of the compliance documents submitted for transition of the institution. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished land verification/khasra documents, approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate and Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority. The institution further submitted updated website compliance, geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities, and salary bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels. It was also submitted that the institution is an existing Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) conducting undergraduate programmes and recognised 4-Year Integrated Teacher Education Programme(s) and that the proposal relates to transition of the existing programme into ITEP.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory

authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 24.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant

institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 24.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Asha Devi College, Plot No. 2366/2280/1477, Village - Sadulpur, Khemana Road, Churu District, Rajasthan-331023.**

2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)
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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-179/E-408716/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
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Suyash College of Education, Khasra No. 469, Village - Rashmi, Dindoli Main Road, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan-312203.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Suyash College of Education, Khasra No. 469, Village - Rashmi, Dindoli Main Road, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan-312203** dated 04.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509202994/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1913** dated 10.03.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "As per the decision of WRC, Final Show Cause Notice (SCN) was issued to the institution vide letter No. F.No NCTE/WRC/2627220509202994/ RAJASTHAN/2025/SCN dated 03/02/2026 with a request to upload the deficient/requisite supporting documents within 07 days from the date of issue of the Final Show Cause Notice (SCN). Since the institution has not submitted any reply/representation/reply to the Final Show Cause Notice, hence, the deficiencies observed in the Final Show Cause Notice still persists. a. Since TEIs uploaded the soft copy of the affiliation order issued by the Commissioner Dept. of Higher Education. The institution is required to upload the approval as per Clause 4.2.1 of guidelines of NCTE. b. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan certifying the institution as teaching education institution and total land area as required under Clause 4.2.2 of NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. The institution is required to upload the same. c. The institution has not uploaded documentary evidence under Clause 4.2(ii) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. d. The institution has not uploaded the 'Fresh certificate of merger' issued by the Registrar of Societies. The institution is required to upload all such documents of merger of institutions, e TEI is required to upload all such documents of merger of institutions. g. The website www.suyash.ac.in of the institution is not functional. The website is required to be functional and updated in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. h. The Institution is required to upload the Authorization letter on stamp paper as per admissible government rate. i. The institution is required to upload the NOC of affiliating body vide letter no.7869 dated 30/06/2023 as mentioned in the portal. The institution is required to clarify the same why they uploaded the old NOC. j. The institution is required to upload the Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by government competent authority. k. In lieu of exemption certificate 12A, copy of acknowledgement receipt dated 02.03.2024 of Income Tax Form 10A submitting application for registration or provisional registration or intimation or approval or provisional approval is uploaded by the institution. The institution is required to upload the Exemption

Certificate (Form 12A) issued by the Income Tax Department or issued by government competent authority. l. In the column of Society/Trust/Company members information, the institution has filled information of Chairman/president/Secretary and treasurer with PAN & Aadhar no. only. It is required to mention all Society members with PAN & Aadhar No. The institution has not provided the details of students admitted to the ongoing programmes, and the required supporting documents have not been uploaded. The institution is required to upload year-wise the admitted students list in respect of all running programme(s) countersigned by Affiliating University. m. The institution claimed that both programmes run in same campus. The institution is conducting degree courses i.e. B.A. 80x3=240, B.Sc.60x3=180, BCA 40x3=120. The sufficiency of land area and built-up area for the above courses with of multidisciplinary courses and intake for B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), course cannot be ascertained. n. The institution is required to upload the Land related affidavit as per details filled in the online application portal. o. The institution is required to upload Mutation (Jamabandi) Certificate mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Authority of State Government. Competent Authority of State Government. p. The institution is required to upload Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority q. The institution is required to upload latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by Competent Authority of State Government indicating that the land is free from all encumbrances issued by Competent Government Authority. r. The institution is required to upload 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. s. The institution is required to upload the list of teaching staff of all Education Faculty Programmes duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body. The institution is required to upload the bank statement of last six months indicating the transaction of the salary/remuneration to its teaching staff. The institution is required to upload geotag photos with different angles of Lift, Ramp, Electricity, Safe Drinking Water and Accessible Toilet indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph. u. The institution is required to upload Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://sgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. The institution is required to upload Building Safety Certificate in adherence of safety guidelines as prescribed by National/State Disaster Management Authority issued by Competent Government

Authority. v. The institution is required to upload geotag photos with different angles of front view, rear view, multipurpose hall, library, lab 1, lab 2, lab 3 and playground indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph. w. The institution is required to submit the demarcated site plan duly approved by the competent authority of the state government earmarking the land & built-up area for ITEP course and other course/school being run in the premises. x. The institution is required to upload 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.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of Suyash College of Education, Khasra No. 469, Village - Rashmi, Dindoli Main Road, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan-312203 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “1. In response to point 1 the Institution states that the recognition for BA + B.Ed. and B.Sc. + B.Ed. was granted by NCTE in the name of Suyash College of Education, Rashmi(Chittorgarh, Raj.) and Degree College was running in the name of Suyash college, Rashmi(Chittorgarh, Raj.) in the same campus and under same society i.e. Ideas Combine Society. In this regard as per the guidelines of merger, the Institution Merger Certificate and NOC of Aayuktalay, College Education, Rajasthan, Jaipur dated 17 February 2026 and NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU), Udaipur dated 27 February 2026 are being attached with the appeal document. Enclosed: • NOC of Aayuktalay, College Education, Rajasthan, Jaipur • NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU). 2. In response to point 2 the Institution is attaching the Certificate issued by Government of Rajasthan, justifying the requirement of the Teacher Education Programme in the area as required under clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transition into multi-disciplinary higher education institution. In this response, Institution is also attaching the letter issued by Aayuktalay, College Education, Rajasthan, Jaipur dated 17 February 2026 and NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU), Udaipur dated 27 February 2026 along with the Appeal document. Enclosed: • NOC of Aayuktalay, College Education, Rajasthan, Jaipur • NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU). 3. In response to point 3, the institution states that both Suyash College of Education and Suyash College are running under the same society i.e. Ideas Combine Society and are affiliated to the same University, Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU), Udaipur, Raj. In this regard, institution has attached a Certificate issued by the affiliating University-MLSU dated 19 June 2025. Enclosed: • Certificate issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU). 4. In response to point 4, the institution

states that the Certificate of Merger issued by Registrar of Societies is not required because the same society i.e. Ideas Combine Society is running both colleges – Suyash College of Education and Suyash College. 5. In response to point 5, the institution has attached all documents regarding merger of institutions - Suyash College of Education and Suyash College i.e. NOC of Aayuktalay, college education, Jaipur, Rajasthan dated 17 February 2026 and NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU), Udaipur dated 27 February 2026, and Memorandum of merger issued by the Society. Enclosed : • NOC of Aayuktalay, college education, Jaipur, Rajasthan • NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU) • Memorandum of Merger issued by the Society. 6. In response to point 6, the institution has attached all documents regarding merger of institutions - Suyash College of Education and Suyash College i.e. NOC of Aayuktalay, college education, Jaipur, Rajasthan dated 17 February 2026 and NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU), Udaipur dated 27 February 2026, and Memorandum of merger issued by the Society. Enclosed : • NOC of Aayuktalay, college education, Jaipur, Rajasthan • NOC issued by affiliating University Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU) • Memorandum of Merger issued by the Society. 7. In response to point 7, the institution states that the category of institution is private, unaided, educational institution. In this regard, institution has attached a copy of the certificate issued by Registrar of the affiliating University- MLSU vide letter no. F/DC/AFFI/MLSU/2026/07 dated 9th Feb 2026. Enclosed: • Certificate issued by Registrar of the affiliating University. 8. In response to point 8, the institution states that the website of the institution is operational and compliance of all provisions under clauses 7(14)i, 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE regulations 2014 is done. Institution has also attached photographs of available facilities like laboratories, infrastructure, etc. Institution has also uploaded intake capacity of students, infrastructure details, audited balance sheets, staff details, library resources et cetera. Attached are the screenshots of all these facilities. Enclosed : • Screen shots of the website. 9. In response to point 9, the institution states that it has attached the authorization letter on the stamp paper of the value, as per admissible government rate. Enclosed : • Authorization letter on the stamp paper. 10. In response to point 10, the institution states that it is attaching the NOC for session 2025-26 issued by the affiliating University-MLSU through letter no. P/GOVT/APF1/MLSU/2025-26/2793 dated 20 Jan 26. Name of the institution is at point no. 31 on page 3 of this document. Enclosed : • NOC for session 2025-26 issued by the affiliating University. 11. In response to point 11, the institution states that it has attached the By Laws of the society approved by the Registrar of Societies, Udaipur, Raj. clearly stating at point no. 48 that society is a not-for-profit society. Enclosed : • By Laws of the society approved by the Registrar of Societies, Udaipur, Raj. 12. In response to point 12, the institution states that to obtain the exemption certificate society has to apply to Income Tax department through filling the form 10A online. After successful

verification of the submitted documents, the 12 A certificate is issued. The society has already applied through this process and soon the exemption certificate will be issued. Being not for profit is inherent in the Society Act and mentioned in the by law at point no 48 attached herewith along with the proof of submitting the form 10A and certificate in this regard from the CA. Enclosed : • Proof of applying for 12A certificate • Letter from the CA • By Laws of the society approved by the Registrar of Societies, Udaipur, Raj. 13. In response to point 13, the institution states that it has attached the list of all society members along with their Aadhaar Card Number and PAN card nos. Also, the copies of the Aadhaar Card and Pan Card of all members are also being attached herewith. Enclosed : • List of all society members along with their Aadhaar Card Number and PAN card no. • Copies of the Aadhaar Card and Pan Card of all members. 14. In response to point 14, the institution states that it has attached the year wise list of all the admitted students in respect of all running programs countersigned by the affiliating university MLSU. Enclosed : • Year wise list of all the admitted students in respect of all running programs countersigned by the affiliating university. 15. In response to point 15, the institution states that the total land area of the institution is 12950 sq. mts. and has built-up area of 5412.74 sq. mts. The demarcated land area for B.Sc-B.Ed. and BA/B.Ed. is 3439 sq. mts. and the built-up area is 2528 sq.mts. The remaining land area and built-up area is for other courses run by the institution. In this regard, institution is attaching building plan, building completion certificate and affidavit on Rs.100 stamp paper Enclosed : • Building plan • Building completion certificate • Affidavit on Rs.100 stamp paper. 16. In response to point 16, the institution states that it has attached the land related affidavit as per details filled in the online application portal. Enclosed : • Land related affidavit as per details filled in the online application portal. 17. In response to point 17, the institution states that it has attached the mutation certificate issued by the competent authority of the state government (Patwari). Enclosed : • Mutation certificate issued by the competent authority of the state government (Patwari). 18. In response to point 18, the institution states that it has attached the land use certificates as per following details: Order dated 18/6/2015 by District Collector, Chittorgarh for conversion of Khara no. 469 for educational purposes and Order Dated 14/7/2019 by SDM, Rashmi, Dist. Chittorgarh for conversion of Khara no. 467/1 for educational purposes. Enclosed : • Land use certificate Order dated 18/6/2015 by District Collector, Chittorgarh for conversion of Khara no. 469 for educational purposes • Land use certificate Order dated 14/7/2019 by SDM, Rashmi, Dist. Chittorgarh for conversion of Khara no. 467/1 for educational purposes. 19. In response to point 19, the institution states that it has attached the latest non-encumbrance certificate dated 6th Feb 2026 issued by competent authority of state government (Tehsildar) indicating that the land is free from all encumbrances. Enclosed : • Latest non-encumbrance certificate. 20. In response to point 20, the institution states that it has attached the building plan approved by Sachiv, Gram Panchayat and JEN, Panchayat

Samiti, Rashmi, mentioning the name of institution, Khasra, the total 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 multidisciplinary programmes. Enclosed : • Approved building plan. 21. In response to point 21, the institution states that it has attached all the list of teaching staff of all education faculty programmes duly approved and counter signed by the Registrar of the affiliating University-MLSU along with the bank statement of all 6 months indicating the transaction of the salary/remuneration to the teaching staff. Enclosed : • List of teaching staff • Bank Statements. 22. In response to point 22, the institution states that it has attached geo-tagged photos with different angles of lift, ramp, electricity, safe drinking water and accessible toilets indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph. Enclosed : • Geo-tagged photos. 23. In response to point 23, the institution states that it has attached the fire safety certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Chittorgarh, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://sgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx bearing application number LSG/CHITTORGARH/FIRENOC/2025-26/59743. Enclosed: • Fire safety certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Chittorgarh, Government of Rajasthan. 24. In response to point 24, the institution states that it has attached the building safety certificate in adherence of safety guidelines as prescribed by state disaster management authority issued by the PWD, Rashmi. Enclosed : • Building safety certificate. 25. In response to point 25, the institution states that it has attached geo-tagged photos with different angles of front view, rear view, multipurpose hall, library, lab 1, lab 2, lab 3 and playground indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph. Enclosed : • Geo-tagged photos. 26. In response to point 26, the institution states that it has attached the demarcated site plan duly approved by Sachiv, Gram Panchayat and JEN, Panchayat Samiti, Rashmi, ear marking the land and built up area for ITEP course and other courses being run in the premises. Enclosed : • Demarcated site plan. 27. In response to point 27, the institution states that it has attached the latest building completion certificate in the prescribed format of NCTE (17 points) issued by the competent Government Authority for all the courses being conducted in the premises. Enclosed: • Latest building completion certificate in the prescribed format of NCTE (17 points). The appellent institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 10.03.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the State Government and the affiliating university, documents relating to merger/multidisciplinary status, and category certificate issued by the affiliating university. The institution further submitted updated website compliance, authorization letter, NOC of affiliating university, society documents relating to not-for-profit status, list of society members

and year-wise student list. It was also submitted that land-related documents, including mutation certificate, CLU, NEC, approved Building Plan, Site Plan, Building Safety Certificate, Building Completion Certificate, and geotagged photographs have been furnished. The institution further submitted teaching staff list in prescribed format, salary payment through banking channels and Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 10.03.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Suyash College of Education, Rashmi, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan, in appeal against the deficiencies relating to merger approval, multidisciplinary status, institutional category, website compliance, land and infrastructure documents, statutory approvals, instructional facilities and faculty compliance under the applicable NCTE Regulations, 2014 and Guidelines for transition into Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institutions. The appellant institution submitted that Suyash College of Education and Suyash College, both situated in the same campus and managed by Ideas Combine Society, are affiliated to the same university, namely Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU), Udaipur. It was submitted that the NOC of Aayuktalaya, College Education, Rajasthan dated 17.02.2026, NOC issued by MLSU dated 27.02.2026, and the Memorandum of Merger issued by the Society had been furnished for transition into a multidisciplinary institution. The institution further submitted that a separate Certificate of Merger from the Registrar of Societies was not required as both institutions are operated by the same society. The appellant institution submitted that the Government of Rajasthan certificate justifying the requirement of the Teacher Education Programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines, had been furnished along with the aforesaid NOCs. It was also submitted that a certificate issued by MLSU dated 19.06.2025 confirming that both institutions are run under the same society and affiliated to the same university had been furnished. The appellant

further submitted that the institution is a private unaided educational institution, supported by certification issued by the Registrar of MLSU dated 09.02.2026. It was submitted that the institutional website had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and that screenshots evidencing mandatory disclosures, infrastructure, laboratories, intake, audited accounts, staff and library details had been furnished. The appellant institution submitted that the requisite authorization letter on stamp paper, affiliation/NOC for session 2025–26 issued by MLSU, and By-laws of the Society approved by the Registrar of Societies indicating the society to be not-for-profit had been furnished. It was further submitted that the society had already applied for 12A exemption before the Income Tax Department through Form 10A, and proof of application along with a certificate from the Chartered Accountant had been enclosed. The appellant institution further submitted that the list of society members with Aadhaar and PAN details, year-wise admitted student lists countersigned by MLSU, and complete land-related documents had been furnished. It was submitted that the institution possesses 12,950 sq. metres of land and 5,412.74 sq. metres built-up area, out of which 3,439 sq. metres land and 2,528 sq. metres built-up area stands earmarked for B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programmes, supported by the approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate and affidavit. The appellant further submitted that the land affidavit, mutation certificate issued by the competent authority, Land Use Certificates for Khasra Nos. 469 and 467/1 converted for educational purposes, and the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate dated 06.02.2026 had been furnished. It was also submitted that the approved Building Plan, certified by the Sachiv, Gram Panchayat and JEN, Panchayat Samiti, Rashmi, clearly indicates the institution name, Khasra details, total land area, built-up area and earmarked infrastructure for teacher education and multidisciplinary programmes. The appellant institution submitted that the teaching staff lists duly approved and countersigned by MLSU, together with bank statements evidencing payment of salary/remuneration, had been furnished. It was further submitted that geo-tagged photographs evidencing lift, ramp, electricity, safe drinking water, accessible toilets, front/rear view, multipurpose hall, library, laboratories and playground had been submitted. The appellant institution also submitted that the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the Fire Safety Department, Chittorgarh, Government of Rajasthan, verifiable through the official portal, and the Building Safety Certificate issued by PWD, Rashmi, had been furnished. It was further submitted that the demarcated site plan earmarking land and built-up area for ITEP and other courses, along with the latest Building Completion Certificate in the prescribed NCTE 17-point format, had been enclosed.

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit vide letter dated 18.05.2026 received on 20.05.2026 in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the

impugned order dated 10.03.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished Requirement/Recommendation Certificates, merger/multidisciplinary status documents, updated website compliance, affiliating university NOC, society-related documents and year-wise student list. The institution further submitted land-related documents, including CLU, NEC, mutation certificate, approved Building Plan, Site Plan, Building Safety Certificate and Building Completion Certificate, along with geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities. It was also submitted that the institution has furnished teaching staff list in prescribed format, salary payment through banking channels and Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to

offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 10.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine

the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 10.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Suyash College of Education, Khasra No. 469, Village - Rashmi, Dindoli Main Road, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan-312203.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.

4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



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89-181/E-408644/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
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Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 282, 707/282, Village - Ajgari, Kekri, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305404.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 282, 707/282, Village - Ajgari, Kekri, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305404** dated 09.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2026202510043687/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/383** dated **08.04.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The institution is required to upload the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. ii. The proposal for collaboration between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. The institution is required to upload the same. iii. The institution is uploaded fire safety is expired on 11.03.2026. The institution has not uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://sgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx iv. The Khasra No. is mismatch. The institution has not uploaded Affidavit on Rs.100/- stamp paper in prescribed format regarding land documents. The institution has not uploaded Certified Land document in respect of Khasra No. 282, 707/282. v. The website is required to be functional and updated in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations 2014 as amended from time to time. vi. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of **Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 282, 707/282, Village - Ajgari, Kekri, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305404** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The appellant Society Shri Mishri Lal Dubey Memorial Sansthan, Kekri, Ajmer was granted Recognition for conducting 4-year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. vide recognition Order dated 29.08.2026 as per terms of Appendix 13 of NCTE Regulation 2014 under the name "Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Kekri". 2. That the NCTE Regulation

2014 were amended whereby the Appendix 13 was omitted and NCTE Amended Regulation, 2022 were introduced. All the existing institution running 5-year integrated B.A. B.Ed. /B.Sc. B.Ed. were required to apply for transition to ITEP course. The petitioner institution also applied for transition and was allotted 2627202510043687 number. 3. The application of the appellant institution was rejected by WRC in its 455 Meeting on the following grounds: - i. The institution is required to uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a Teacher Education Programme in the area, as required under clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multi-disciplinary Institution's. ii. The proposal for collaboration between the institution has not been approved. By their Affiliating University, as required under clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary institution. The institution is required to uploaded the same. iii. The institution is uploaded fire safety is expired on 11.03.2026. The institution has not uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsqonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx iv. The Khasra No. is mismatch. The institution has not uploaded Affidavit on Rs.100/- stamp paper in prescribed format regarding land documents. The institution has not uploaded Certified Land document in respect of Khasra No. 282, 707/282. v. The website is required to be functional and updated in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations 2014 as amended from time to time. vi. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Government Authority. Rule 7(1) Competent. Hence, application is rejected on the grounds of not eligible for processing as mentioned through online transition application. 4. That aggrieved by decision of rejection by WRC the appellant submits present appeal under section 18 on following grounds: - (A) Because the refusal order is bad, arbitrary, perverse and illegal and thus same cannot be sustained in the eyes of law. (B) Because, the Rejection Order shows that apparently the rejection was made Primarily on the ground that the appellant institution has not procured the NOC from the state Government required in case of Merger for fulfilled the conditions of being multi-disciplinary. (C) Because, the institution applied with the State Government for grant of NOC. However, the state Government has not provided it earlier at the time of Submitting the reply to the Show cause notice. (D) Because now the institution fulfils all the deficiencies pointed out by the WRC which are as under:- i. Obtaining the NOC from State government was beyond the control of the institution therefore it could not get the NOC on time but now the institution has obtained The NOC in the name of Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Kekri has been obtained from State Government justifying the requirement of teacher training

education has been obtained which is attached herewith. ii. The proposal of Merger between Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Kekri run by Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Memorial Sansthan and Kekri College, Kekri run by Shri Arihant Shikshan Avam Sodh Society has been Duly approved by affiliating body Maharishi, Dayanand University, Ajmer vide order dated 4 April 2026. Both the Institutions are affiliated with the same University, the Letter from the University is attached herewith. iii. The latest renewed Fire safety certificate is attached herewith. iv. The appelland Society became the owner of the land vide 2 Different Sale deeds of Land measuring 11 Bigha 12 Biswa bearing Khasra no. 211 New Khasra no. 707/282 and 282 (said Land). The Said Land was Converted for Educational purpose vide conversion order no.60 dated 30 June 2011 Thereafter the Nagar Palika Kekri issued Patta for the above said Land for Educational Purpose in favour of the appelland institution vide patta no. 118/16-17 dated 23 February 2016. As the Khasra Milan report issued by the patwari clearly shows that Khasra no. 211, 211/1 was renumbered as 707/282 and 282. Affidavit mentioning the old Khasra no. and New Khasra no., copy of Certified copy Sale deed, copy of certified copy of Patta, Copy of Conversion Order, Copy of Jamabandi and Copy of Khasra Milan Report are attached herewith. v. The Website of the institution <http://mldmemorialsansthan> has been operational as per the requirement of NCTE regulation 2014 as amended from time to time, which can be verified at any time. vi. Conversion order attached herewith. Even though we already had submitted these documents with WRC however for sake of Convenience we are hereby attaching all the documents to fulfil the shortcomings pointed in Rejection order, for Your Kind Consideration. (E) Because of the judicial pronouncement of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court in the matter of Rambha College of Education vs NCTE (W.P (C) 3231/2016, judgement dated 23.02.2017 mandates the appeal committee to consider the subsequent documents submitted before it along with the appeal. (F) Because the appellate institute has removed all the deficiencies pointed by the WRC in its Refusal Order, therefore the refusal order should be set aside. (G) Because the appeal has to be filled within 60 days of the communication of the rejection order. If any delay, that may be condoned as there is no wilful delay on the part of appelland. PRAYER Therefore, it is humbly prayed and requested that the appelland authority may graciously be pleased to accept and allow instant appeal and the same may be considered and decided on merits. The decision of refusal may kindly be set aside and quashed. WRC may be directed to accept institution as multi-disciplinary institutions and process the application of appelland for transmission of 4 Year integrated course to ITEP course. Any other order or direction that may be fit and proper in the facts and circumstance of the case be passed in favour of appelland." The appelland institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time). In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted/uploaded before the Appellate

Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the institution had furnished the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement of teacher education programme in the concerned area. The institution further submitted that the proposal for multidisciplinary integration/merger arrangement had been approved by the affiliating university and the State Government, and supporting approvals had been enclosed. It was also indicated that a valid Fire Safety Certificate, land ownership and revenue documents, CLU/land use approvals, mutation particulars and Khasra verification records had been submitted. The institution explained that the institutional website had been updated and made functional in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 08.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that Shri Mishri Lal Dubey Memorial Sansthan, Kekri, Ajmer, running Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Kekri, had been granted recognition for conducting 4-year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programmes vide Recognition Order dated 29.08.2016 under Appendix-13 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was submitted that, consequent upon the NCTE Regulations, 2022 and requirement for transition to ITEP, the institution had applied through the Transition Portal. The appellant institution submitted that the application was rejected by the WRC on grounds relating to non-submission of State Government justification certificate under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for multidisciplinary institutions, non-approval of collaboration proposal by the affiliating university under Clause 4.3(a), expired Fire Safety Certificate, mismatch in Khasra details and non-submission of land affidavit/certified land documents, non-functional website, and non-submission of Land Use Certificate (CLU) in prescribed Form-11 under the Rajasthan Urban Areas Rules, 2012. The appellant institution further submitted that the

aforesaid deficiencies had subsequently been rectified. It was stated that the State Government NOC/justification certificate regarding requirement of teacher education programme in the area had now been obtained in the name of the institution. It was further submitted that the proposal for merger/collaboration between Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Kekri and Kekri College, Kekri, run by separate societies, had been approved by the affiliating body, Maharshi Dayanand Saraswati University, Ajmer vide order dated 04.04.2026, and both institutions are affiliated to the same University. The appellant institution submitted that the latest renewed Fire Safety Certificate had been obtained and furnished. Regarding land-related deficiencies, it was submitted that the institution is owner of land measuring 11 Bigha 12 Biswa, comprised in old Khasra No. 211, subsequently renumbered as Khasra Nos. 707/282 and 282, duly converted for educational purposes vide Conversion Order No. 60 dated 30.06.2011, and Patta No. 118/16-17 dated 23.02.2016 had been issued by Nagar Palika, Kekri for educational purposes. It was further submitted that the Khasra Milan Report, Jamabandi, certified sale deeds, Patta, conversion order, and affidavit correlating old and new Khasra numbers had been furnished. The appellant institution further submitted that the institutional website <http://mldmemorialsansthan> had been made functional and updated in compliance with the provisions of Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and that the requisite conversion order/CLU and other supporting documents had been furnished along with the appeal in support of compliance of the deficiencies pointed out by the WRC. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time). Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the State Government and approvals relating to multidisciplinary integration/merger arrangement from the affiliating university and competent authorities had been furnished. The institution further indicated submission of valid Fire Safety Certificate, land ownership and revenue records, CLU/land use approvals, mutation particulars and Khasra verification documents. It was also explained that the institutional website had been made functional and updated in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read

with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised

that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 08.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 08.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Shree Mishri Lal Dubey Mahila Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 282, 707/282, Village - Ajgari, Kekri, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305404.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-182/E-408645/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615650

Saraswati Teacher Training College, Khasra No. 210/161, 211/162, Village - Sardarshahar, Churu District, Rajasthan-331403.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sh. Omprakash Saini, Secretary
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND S OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Saraswati Teacher Training College, Khasra No. 210/161, 211/162, Village - Sardarshahar, Churu District, Rajasthan-331403** dated 08.05.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509203008/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/126** dated **06.03.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The institution has replied that "the institution's transition into ITEP course as it is Collaboration institution has uplodod to the affiliation order of liberal arts, science and commerce all programmes run by them with intake capacity as a Multi-Disciplinary Institution. "Documentary proof as mentioned in the SCN reply is uploaded by the institution. ii. 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 area and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes. iii. The institution has not uploaded either Memorandum of collaboration or merger the documents uploaded in response to query serial No. 7 of the Final Show Cause Notice The name of the institution Shakti Saraswati Mahavidyalaya. So, it is not in the name of applicant institution. iv. The institution has requested Committee to relax the time variant for uploading the documents in respect to NOC is to be issued by Government of Rajasthan. So, the Noc of the Government of Rajasthan has not uploaded. v. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. vi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate vii. Still the institution is awaiting for approval of collaboration as stated at the serial No. 12 reply to Final Show Cause Notice. viii. The institution has not update and maintain the website in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. ix. The institution has not uploaded latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by Competent Authority of State Government indicating that the land is free from all encumbrances issued by Competent Government Authority. x. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. xi. Bank statement has not been uploaded

by the institution, so it cannot be ascertained whether salary is being paid as per Central/State Govt.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Omprakash Saini, Secretary of Saraswati Teacher Training College, Khasra No. 210/161, 211/162, Village - Sardarshahar, Churu District, Rajasthan-331403 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "FACTS OF THE CASE: - 1. The appellant Society Saraswati Vidyalaya Shikshan Sansthan, Sardarshahar, District Churu was granted Recognition for conducting 4 y4-year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. vide recognition Order dated 9/02/18 as per terms of Appendix 13 of NCTE Regulation 2014 under the name "Saraswati Teacher Training College, Sardarshahar. 2. That the NCTE Regulations 2014 were amended whereby the Appendix 13 was omitted and NCTE Amended Regulations, 2022 were introduced. All the existing institution running 4-year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. were required to apply for transition to ITEP course. The Petitioner institution also applied for transition and was allotted 2627202509 182808 number. 3. The application of the appellant institution was rejected by WRC in its 450 Meeting on the following grounds: - i. The institution has replied that "the institution's transition into ITEP course as it is Collaboration institution has uploaded to the affiliation order of liberal arts, science and commerce all programmes run by them with intake capacity as a Multi-Disciplinary Institution. "Documentary proof as mentioned in the SCN reply is uploaded by the institution. ii. 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 area and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes. iii. The institution has not uploaded either Memorandum of collaboration or merger the documents uploaded in response to query serial No. 7 of the Final Show Cause Notice The name of the institution Shakti Saraswati Mahavidyalaya. So, it is not in the name of applicant institution. iv. The institution has requested Committee to relax the time variant for uploading the documents in respect to NOC is to be issued by Government of Rajasthan. So, the Noc of the Government of Rajasthan has not uploaded. v. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. vi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. vii. Still the institution is waiting for approval of collaboration as stated at the serial No. 12 reply to Final Show Cause Notice. viii. The institution has not update and maintain the website in compliance to provisions under

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salary records evidencing payment through banking channels had been submitted. The institution further indicated that geotagged photographs of the library/reading room and multipurpose hall had been uploaded and that the institutional website had been updated with mandatory disclosures in compliance with the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The institution additionally submitted that it was already functioning as a multidisciplinary institution and conducting recognized integrated teacher education programmes.

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The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that Saraswati Vidyalaya Shikshan Sansthan, Sardarshahar, District Churu, running Saraswati Teacher Training College, Sardarshahar, had been granted recognition for conducting 4-year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programmes vide Recognition Order dated 09.02.2018 under Appendix-13 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was submitted that, consequently upon the NCTE Regulations, 2022 requiring transition of existing integrated teacher education programmes into ITEP, the institution applied through the Transition Portal. The appellant institution submitted that the application was rejected by the WRC on grounds relating to non-submission of approved collaboration documents and State Government NOC, non-submission of approved building plan, inadequate library and multipurpose hall facilities as reflected in geo-tagged photographs, non-functional website, non-submission of latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), non-submission of Land Use Certificate (CLU) in prescribed format, and non-submission of salary bank statements. The appellant institution further submitted that the deficiencies had subsequently been rectified. It was stated that Saraswati Teacher Training College, Sardarshahar had entered into a Memorandum of Collaboration dated 04.10.2025 with Shakti Saraswati Shikshan Mahavidyalaya, Sardarshahar, and the proposal for collaboration had been approved by the affiliating body, Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner vide order dated 05.05.2026. It

was also submitted that both institutions are affiliated with the same University and the proposal for issuance of State Government NOC was under process. The appellant institution submitted that the approved Building Plan issued by the competent State Government authority, indicating the name of institution, Khasra/Plot details, total land area, total built-up area and earmarked area for programmes, had been furnished. It was further submitted that geo-tagged photographs of the Library/Reading Room, Multipurpose Hall, Computer Lab and ICT facilities had been furnished in support of compliance with infrastructure norms, and that the institution has adequate space and seating capacity in the Library Reading Room as per NCTE norms. The appellant institution further submitted that the institutional website <http://svssrdr.in> had been made operational and updated in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was also submitted that the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate had been furnished and that the institution owns 5000 sq. metres of land, comprised in old Khasra Nos. 170/73 and 219/170 and new Khasra Nos. 210/161 and 211/162, duly converted for educational purposes vide Conversion Orders dated 09.09.2015 and 18.07.2022 issued by the competent authority. The appellant institution further submitted that salary to staff is being paid as per State Government norms, supported by bank statements, and that the teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating University had been furnished in the prescribed format. It was also submitted that all relevant supporting documents had been enclosed along with the appeal in compliance of the deficiencies pointed out by the WRC. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and applicable guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that documents submitted/uploaded before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable by the competent authorities. The institution submitted that approval for collaboration/multidisciplinary integration with the concerned multidisciplinary institution had been obtained from the affiliating body and the State Government. It was further submitted that the recommendation/NOC certificate from the State Government, Building Completion Certificate, Non-Encumbrance Certificate and CLU/land use related documents had been furnished. The institution also stated that salary records through banking channels, geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities including library/reading room and multipurpose hall, and website compliance with mandatory disclosures had been submitted.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements

prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to mandatory statutory requirements governing duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent

material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 06.03.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of requirement of appointment of duly qualified faculty, and other regulatory parameters/deficiencies identified in the impugned order, which must be established through duly authenticated and verifiable documentary evidence in terms of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure & instructional facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any

observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 06.03.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Saraswati Teacher Training College, Khasra No. 210/161, 211/162, Village - Sardarshahar, Churu District, Rajasthan-331403.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



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एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-183/E-408648/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615657 -

PSP College of Education, Khasra No. 6714/1237, 7023/6714/1237, Village - Garhi, Behind Garhi Court Office, Banswara, Rajasthan-327022.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Dr. Vishesh Pandya, Director
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **PSP College of Education, Khasra No. 6714/1237, 7023/6714/1237, Village - Garhi, Behind Garhi Court Office, Banswara, Rajasthan-327022** dated **11.05.2026** filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509263325/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1815** dated **04.05.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. Recognition was granted for 4 year Integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. course vide order dated 15.02.2017 in the name and address "PSP College of Education, Plot No.-6714/1237, Street Number-Na, Village- Paratapur Garhi, P.O. Garhi, Tehsil/Taluka- Garhi, Town/City- Garhi, Dist. Banswara, Rajasthan, Pin Code-327024", whereas institution applied for transition to ITEP course in the name and address "PSP College of Education Partapur, Khasra no.6714/1237,7023/6714/1237, Street/Road- Behind Garhi Court Office, Village/Town - PARTAPUR,P.o./TalukaGarhi,Dist. Banswara, Rajasthan, Pin Code- 327022", the Plot/Khasra no. Street/Road and Pin code are mismatched. ii. The name of applicant institution is 'PSP College of Education' as per the NCTE recognition order whereas the name of institution conducting Multi-Disciplinary Courses is 'Prabha Shankar Pandya P.G College, Partapur'. The name of institution is mismatched. The institution is not running multi-disciplinary courses in the field of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce or mathematics as per Regulation No. NCTE/Regl011/80/2018- MS(Regulation)-HQ dated 26.10.2021 as amended from time to time and 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. Further it is noted from the Building Plan uploaded by the institution that two other institutions are also functioning at the same premises (i) Prabha Shankar Pandya ?. College, Partapur (2 Year B.Ed.) (ii) Prabha Shankar Pandya College, Partapur (2 Year D.El.Ed.). iii. The institution has uploaded Fire safety certificate issued in the name and address "PRABHA SHANKAR PANDYA SEVA SANSTHAN PARTAPUR, 6714/1237 7023/6714/1237, GARHI TEHSIL ROAD PARTAPUR, PARTAPUR, PARTAPUR -GARHI, BANSWARA, RAJASTHAN". Plot/Khasra no. Street/Road, address of society as per recognition are mismatched. On verification fire NOC portal, approved plot area is 10200 sq. mts., whereas as per online application, in Land Details, mentioned land area is 8000 sq. mts. Both land areas are mismatched. The institution has not uploaded requisite Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on

the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. iv. The institution has not updated and maintained the website in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. v. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. There is a mismatch of pin code of place taken geotagged photograph with recognition order, hence same is not accepted. vi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms, furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. There is a mismatch of pin code of place taken geotagged photograph with recognition order, hence same is not accepted. vii. The name of Applicant College is not reflected in the geotagged photo uploaded. There is a mismatch of pin code of place taken geotagged photograph with recognition order, hence same is not accepted. viii. The uploaded building plan is not proper. 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. But 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. ix. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether the institution is paying salaries to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms. x. The institution has uploaded the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned by different Affiliating University (GGTU Banswara) instead of Mohanlal Sukhadiya University, Udaipur as per recognition order. The uploaded faculty list is not in the prescribed format of NCTE and not as per NCTE norms.”

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

Dr. Vishesh Pandya, Director of PSP College of Education, Khasra No. 6714/1237, 7023/6714/1237, Village - Garhi, Behind Garhi Court Office, Banswara, Rajasthan-327022 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “Facts of the case: - 1. The appellant Prabha Shankar Pandya Seva Sansthan, Pratapur Garhi, District Banswara was granted Recognition for conducting 4-year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed vide recognition Order dated 23/6/17 as per terms of Appendix 13 of NCTE Regulation 2014 under the name “PSP College of Education. 2. That the NCTE Regulations 2014 were amended whereby the Appendix 13 was omitted and NCTE Amended Regulations, 2022 were introduced. All the existing institution running 4-year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed were required to apply for

transition to ITEP course. The Petitioner institution also applied for transition and was allotted 2627202509263325 number. 3. The application of the appellant institution was rejected by WRC in its 457 Meeting on the following grounds: - i. Recognition was granted for 4 year Integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. course vide order dated 15.02.2017 in the name and address "PSP College of Education, Plot No.-6714/1237, Street Number-Na, Village-Paratapur Garhi, P.O. Garhi, Tehsil/Taluka- Garhi, Town/City- Garhi, Dist. Banswara, Rajasthan, Pin Code-327024", whereas institution applied for transition to ITEP course in the name and address "PSP College of Education Partapur, Khasra no.6714/1237,7023/6714/1237, Street/Road- Behind Garhi Court Office, Village/Town PARTAPUR, P.o./Taluka Garhi, Dist. Banswara, Rajasthan, Pin Code-327022", the Plot/Khasra no. Street/Road and Pin code are mismatched. ii. The name of applicant institution is 'PSP College of Education' as per the NCTE recognition order whereas the name of institution conducting Multi-Disciplinary Courses is 'Prabha Shankar Pandya P.G College, Partapur'. The name of institution is mismatched. The institution is not running multi-disciplinary courses in the field of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce or mathematics as per Regulation No.NCTE Regl011/80/2018- MS(Regulation)HQ dated 26.10.2021 as amended from time to time and 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. Further it is noted from the Building Plan uploaded by the institution that two other institutions are also functioning at the same premises (i) Prabha Shankar Pandya? College, Partapur (2 Year B.Ed.) (ii) Prabha Shankar Pandya College, Partapur (2 Year D.El.Ed.). iii. The institution has uploaded Fire safety certificate issued in the name and address "Prabha Shankar Pandya Seva Sansthan Partapur, 6714/1237, 7023/6714/1237, Garhi Tehsil Road Partapur, Partapur, Partapur Garhi, Banswara, Rajasthan". Plot/Khasra Street/Road, address of society as per recognition are mismatched. On verification fire NOC portal, approved plot area is 10200 sq. mts., whereas as per online application, in Land Details, mentioned land area is 8000 sq. mts. Both land areas are mismatched. The institution has not uploaded requisite Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. iv. The institution has not updated and maintained the website in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. v. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. There is a mismatch of pin code of place taken geotagged photograph with recognition order, hence same is not accepted. vi. The

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"Multidisciplinary Institution" as envisaged in the amended NCTE Regulations, 2014. We are hereby attaching all the documents required for merger i.e., memorandum of merger duly signed by society, the affiliation order of degree college, NOC from University and NOC from State government, Distance certificate, Letter from University certifying that Both the Institutions are affiliated with the same University. iii. The Total Land Area owned by society is 10200 sq mtr therefore the Fire safety certificate shows the area as 10200 sq mtr which is sufficient for running all the courses. However, the area earmarked for Multidisciplinary college is 8000 sq mtr. The fire safety certificate is attached herewith. iv. The Website of the institution <http://pspcollegeofeducation.in> has been operational as per the requirement of NCTE regulation 2014 as amended from time to time, which can be verified at any time. v. As per NCTE norms there is no prescribed Number of Chairs, however institution has enough place to accommodate Large Number of students. Geo-tagged photographs of Library and Reading Rooms showing the Sitting capacity are attached. herewith. The Geotagged photographs show the Pin code of the location of building which is at Garhi. The Pin code of place is 327022. vi. Multipurpose Hall adequate furniture having sitting capacity of around 200 people. Geotagged photographs of the same are attached herewith. The Geotagged photographs show the Pin code of the location of building which is at Garhi. The pin code of place is 327022. vii. The institution has done required setting with google and now all the geotagged photographs show the name of applicant institution. The Geotagged photographs show the Pin code of the location of building which is at Garhi. The Pin code of place is 327022. viii. The Built-up area of the institution is around 8243 sq mtr. The area required for running 2 units of ITEP is 2400 sq mtr. The institution is having sufficient built-up area for running these courses together. The Building Plan is attached herewith. ix. The Salary is being paid as per Norms and statement of it is attached herewith. x. Initially the affiliating body was Mohan Lal Sukhadia University however after establishment of new University Govind Guru Tribal University Banswara (GGTU), the appellant institution was governed by newly established University. As of today GGTU, Banswara is the affiliating Body of the appellant institution. Even though we already had submitted these documents with WRC however for sake of Convenience we are hereby attaching all the documents to fulfil the shortcomings pointed in Rejection order, for Your Kind Consideration. (C) Because the institution should be made to suffer due to one mistake by the computer operator in mentioning the pin code of the institution. It will prejudice the whole future of the institution. (D) Because the judicial pronouncement of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court in the matter of Rambha College of Education Vs NCTE (W.P (C) 3231/2016, judgement dated 23.02.2017 mandates the appeal committee to consider the subsequent documents submitted before it along with the appeal. (E). Because the appellate institute has removed all the deficiencies pointed out by the WRC in its Refusal Order, therefore the refusal order should be set aside. (F). Because the appeal has to be filed

within 60 days of the communication of the rejection order. If any delay, that may be condoned as there is no wilful delay on the part of appellant. PRAYER - Therefore, it is humbly prayed and requested that the appellant authority may graciously be pleased to accept and allow instant appeal and the same may be considered and decided on merits. The decision of refusal may kindly be set aside and quashed. WRC may be directed to accept institution as multi-disciplinary institution and process the application of appellant for transmission of 4 Year integrated course to ITEP course. Any other order or direction that may be fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case be passed in favour of appellant. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and applicable guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted/uploaded before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of verification by the competent authorities. The institution submitted that the discrepancy in Khasra number and PIN code was attributable to land conversion and clerical error respectively, and revised particulars had been furnished. It was further submitted that the State Government recommendation/NOC and approvals for merger/multidisciplinary integration from the affiliating university and competent authority had been obtained. The institution also submitted Fire Safety Certificate, approved building plan, salary records through banking channels, updated website compliance, geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities, and countersigned approvals from Govind Guru Tribal University, Banswara.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

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2022 requiring transition of existing integrated teacher education programmes into ITEP, the institution applied through the Transition Portal. The appellant institution submitted that the application was rejected by the WRC on grounds relating to mismatch in name, address, Khasra details and PIN code between the recognition order and transition application; non-fulfilment of multidisciplinary status; discrepancies in Fire Safety Certificate and land area; non-functional website; inadequate Library Reading Room and Multipurpose Hall facilities as reflected in geo-tagged photographs; absence of institution name in geo-tagged photographs; non-submission of proper approved Building Plan; non-verifiable salary payment as per Government norms; and non-submission of teaching staff list in the prescribed NCTE format duly approved by the affiliating body. The appellant institution further submitted that the deficiencies had subsequently been rectified. It was stated that the institution owns 10200 sq. metres of land comprised in original Khasra No. 6714/1237, subsequently bifurcated and recorded as Khasra Nos. 6714/1237 and 7023/6714/1237, and that the variation in Khasra details reflects subsequent land records. It was further submitted that the institution building is situated at Garhi (PIN Code 327022) whereas the earlier recognition order inadvertently reflected the PIN Code of the Society office at Partapur (327024) due to a clerical error, and that the correct institutional PIN Code is 327022. The appellant institution submitted that, although PSP College of Education and Prabha Shankar Pandya P.G. College, Partapur are run under the same society and situated in the same campus, the institution had undertaken merger/collaboration arrangements to satisfy the requirements of a multidisciplinary institution, and furnished the Memorandum of Merger, affiliation order of the degree college, NOC from the affiliating University and State Government, distance certificate, and certification regarding common university affiliation. The appellant institution further submitted that the Fire Safety Certificate correctly reflects the total land area of 10200 sq. metres owned by the Society, whereas 8000 sq. metres stand earmarked for the multidisciplinary college, and the requisite certificate had been furnished. It was also submitted that the institutional website <http://pspcollegeofeducation.in> had been updated and made operational in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The appellant institution submitted that geo-tagged photographs of the Library/Reading Room, Multipurpose Hall and institution building, reflecting adequate seating capacity, furniture and display of institutional name, had been furnished, and clarified that the geo-tags reflect the actual location of the institution at Garhi with PIN Code 327022. It was further submitted that the built-up area of the institution is approximately 8243 sq. metres, which is stated to be adequate for running ITEP programmes requiring 2400 sq. metres, and the approved Building Plan had been furnished. The appellant institution further submitted that salary to staff is being paid as per prescribed norms, supported by bank statements. It was also clarified that although the institution was initially affiliated to Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, subsequent to establishment of Govind Guru Tribal University (GGTU), Banswara, the institution presently falls under the jurisdiction of GTU, Banswara, and the teaching staff list duly approved by GTU in the prescribed format had been furnished along with supporting documents in compliance of the deficiencies pointed out by the WRC. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and applicable guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and

verifiable by the competent authorities. The institution submitted clarification regarding change in Khasra number consequent upon land conversion and correction of PIN code attributed to clerical error. It was further submitted that State Government recommendation/NOC and approvals for merger/multidisciplinary integration from the affiliating university and competent authority had been obtained. The institution also submitted that Fire Safety Certificate, approved building plan, salary records through banking channels, website compliance and geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities had been furnished.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the

applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 04.05.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 04.05.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, PSP College of Education, Khasra No. 6714/1237, 7023/6714/1237, Village - Garhi, Behind Garhi Court Office, Banswara, Rajasthan-327022.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.**
3. **The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.**



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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-184/E-408650/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615648 -

Yogeshwari Jana Hitay Sevaytan Sansthan, Khasra No. 3162/3161/1234, 3168/1234, 3161/1234, 1234, Village - Aamlipada, Sajjangarh, Banswara, Rajasthan-327602.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of Yogeshwari Jana Hitay Sevaytan Sansthan, Khasra No. 3162/3161/1234, 3168/1234, 3161/1234, 1234, Village - Aamlipada, Sajjangarh, Banswara, Rajasthan-327602 dated 23.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. F.No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509182808/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/234 dated 07.04.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The Institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. ii. The proposal for 'merger' between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. iii. 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. iv. The Institution has not uploaded the Exemption Certificate (Form 12A) Issued by the Income Tax Department or issued by government competent authority. v. The website has not to be functional and updated in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14) (1), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. vi. As per the building plan and BCC uploaded. The institution has earmarked part of the same building for ITEP course and Yogeshwar College. The same is not as per clause 6.1(b) of NCTE Regulation 2021, which clearly specifies "The institution shall earmark 3000 sqm of well demarcated land for the initial intake of fifty students and 2000 sqm shall be the demarcated built-up area vii. As the Institution is running the Yogeshwar College in the same campus, the institution has not submitted the demarcated site plan duly demarcating the land area for the existing College course and the proposed ITEP course. The institution is required to demarcate the land and built-up area as per the Guidelines issued by the Government of Rajasthan for (..) available on <https://hte.rajasthan.gov.in/dept/dce/uploads/doc/NOCpolicy202122.pdf>. viii. The uploaded upload Land Use Certificate (CLU) is not in the prescribed format of Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. Issued by Competent Government Authority. ix. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement

uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. x. The institution has uploaded the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body the nomenclatural of Teaching staff is Lecturer in the prescribed format of NCTE. The nomenclatural of teaching staff is not as per NCTE regulation 2014 and as amended till date. xi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. xii. Computer labs and ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. xiii. The uploaded geotagged photographs show that furniture is not available in the multi-purpose hall, and the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of Yogeshwari Jana Hitay Sevaytan Sansthan, Khasra No. 3162/3161/1234, 3168/1234, 3161/1234, 1234, Village - Aamlipada, Sajjangarh, Banswara, Rajasthan-327602 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “Facts of the case:-

1. The appellant Society Yogeshwari Jana Hitay Sevaytan Sansthan, Sajjangarh, Banswara was granted Recognition for conducting 4 – year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed vide recognition Order dated 9/02/18 as per terms of Appendix 13 of NCTE Regulation 2014 under the name "Yogeshwari Jana Hitay Sevaytan Sansthan, Sajjangarh, Banswara.
2. That the NCTE Regulations 2014 were amended whereby the Appendix 13 was omitted and NCTE Amended Regulations, 2022 were introduced. All the existing institution running 4-year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. were required to apply for transition to ITEP course. The Petitioner institution also applied for transition and was allotted 2627202509 182808 number.
3. The application of the appellant institution was rejected by WRC in its 451 Meeting on the following grounds:-
 1. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions.
 - ii. The proposal for 'merger' between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions.
 - iii. 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.
 - iv. The institution has not uploaded the Exemption Certificate (Form 124) issued by the Income Tax Department or issued by government competent

authority v. The website has not to be functional and updated in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. vi. As per the building plan and BCC uploaded. The institution has earmarked part of the same building for ITEP course and Yogeshwar College. The same is not as per clause 6.1(b) of NCTE Regulation 2021, which clearly specifies "The institution shall earmark 3000 sqm of well demarcated land for the initial intake of fifty students and 2000 sqm shall be the demarcated built-up area. vii. As the institution is running the Yogeshwar College in the same campus, the institution has not submitted the demarcated site plan duly demarcating the land area for the existing College course and the proposed ITEP course. The institution is required to demarcate the land and built-up area as per the Guidelines issued by the Government of Rajasthan for (निजी महाविद्यालय नीति) available on <https://hte.rajasthan.gov.in/dept/dce/uploads/doc/NOCpolicy202122.pdf>. viii. The uploaded upload Land Use Certificate (CLU) is not in the prescribed format of Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. ix. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. x. The institution has uploaded the list of teaching staff duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body the nomenclatural of Teaching staff is Lecturer in the prescribed format of NCTE. The nomenclatural of teaching staff is not as per NCTE regulation 2014 and as amended till date. xi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. xii. Computer labs and ICT related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. xiii. The uploaded geotagged photographs show that furniture is not available in the multi-purpose hall, and the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. Hence, application is rejected on the grounds of not eligible for processing as mentioned through online transition application. 4. That aggrieved by decision of rejection by WRC the appellant submits present appeal under section 18 on following grounds:- (A) Because the refusal order is bad, arbitrary, perverse and illegal and thus same cannot be sustained in the eyes of law. (B) Because, the Rejection Order shows that apparently the rejection was made Primarily on the ground that the appellant institution has not procured the NOC from the state Government required in case of Merger for fulfilled the conditions of being Multi-disciplinary. (C) Because, at the institution applied with the state Government for grant of NOC which was not provided earlier at the time of Submitting the reply to the Show cause notice. (D) Because now the institution fulfils all the deficiencies pointed out by the WRC which are as under:- i. Obtaining the NOC from State government was beyond the control of the institution therefore it could not get the NOC on time but now

the institution has obtained The NOC from State Government justifying the requirement of teacher training education has been obtained and is attached herewith. ii. The proposal of Merger has been Duly approved by Govind Guru Janjatiya University, Banswara dated 8 April 2026, the affiliating body of the appellant University, which is attached herewith. iii. Building Plan having total built up area of 4801 sq mtr Mentioning the name of Society and all other details are attached herewith. iv. The institution has obtained the Exemption certificate from Income Tax and is attached herewith. v. The Website of the institution <http://yogeshwarisansthan.in> has been operational as per the requirement of NCTE regulation 2014 as amended from time to time, which can be verified at any time. vi. The college is having total Land Area of 8600 sq mtr whereas for ITEP course only 3000 sq mtr area is required thereby the institution is having sufficient Land Area. vii. Building Plan earmarking the built-up area for ITEP course is attached herewith. viii. The Institution owns total of 8600 sq mtr of Converted Land and Conversion Order Dated 9 September 2015 issued by Collector, Banswara who is competent authority to issue Conversion. ix. Salary is being paid as per state Government Norms and statement of it is attached herewith. x. List of teaching staff duly countersigned by the affiliating University is duly attached herewith. xi. As per NCTE norms there is no prescribed Number of Chairs, however institution has enough place to accommodate Large Number of students. The photographs does not exactly speak the truth. For Your Convenience Geo-tagged photographs of Library and Reading Rooms showing the Sitting capacity are attached herewith. xii. Geo-tag Photos of Computer Lab and ICT lab are attached herewith. xiii. Geotag Photos of multi-purpose hall as per requirement are attached herewith. Even though we already had submitted these documents with WRC however for sake of Convenience we are hereby attaching all the documents to fulfil the shortcomings pointed in Rejection order, for Your Kind Consideration. (E) Because the judicial pronouncement of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court in the matter of Rambha College of Education Vs NCTE (W.P (C) 3231/2016, judgement dated 23.02.2017 mandates the appeal committee to consider the subsequent documents submitted before it along with the appeal. (F) Because the appellate institute has removed all the deficiencies pointed by the WRC in its Refusal Order, therefore the refusal order should be set aside. (G) Because the appeal has to be filled within 60 days of the communication of the rejection order. If any delay, that may be condoned as there is no wilful delay on the part of appellant. **PRAYER** - Therefore, it is humbly prayed and requested that the appellant authority may graciously be pleased to accept and allow instant appeal and the same may be considered and decided on merits. The decision of refusal may kindly be set aside and quashed. WRC may be directed to accept institution as multi-disciplinary institutions and process the application of appellant for transmission of 4 Year integrated course to ITEP course. Any other order or direction that may be fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case be passed in favour of appellant.

The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the State Government, approval of merger arrangement by the affiliating university and State Government, and documents relating to multidisciplinary integration. The institution further submitted approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate, demarcated Site Plan, CLU/land conversion documents, and exemption certificate under the Income Tax provisions. It was also submitted that the institutional website has been updated in compliance with the applicable Regulations and geotagged photographs relating to library, ICT/computer laboratory and multipurpose hall have been uploaded. The institution further submitted salary bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels and a teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed format.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 04.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 07.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that Yogeshwari Jana Hitay Sevaytan Sansthan, Sajjangarh, District Banswara, had been granted recognition for conducting 4-year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programmes vide Recognition Order dated 09.02.2018 under Appendix-13 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was submitted that, pursuant to the NCTE Regulations, 2022 requiring transition of existing integrated teacher education programmes into ITEP, the institution had applied through the Transition Portal. The appellant institution submitted that the application was rejected by the WRC on grounds relating to non-submission of State Government justification certificate under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines, non-approval of merger proposal by the affiliating university, non-submission of approved Building Plan and demarcated site plan, absence of Income Tax Exemption Certificate, non-functional website, insufficiency of earmarked land and built-up area for ITEP, non-submission of CLU in

prescribed format, non-verifiable salary payment as per Government norms, non-compliant teaching staff nomenclature, and inadequacies relating to Library Reading Room, ICT facilities and Multipurpose Hall as reflected in geo-tagged photographs. The appellant institution further submitted that the aforesaid deficiencies had subsequently been rectified. It was stated that the State Government NOC/certificate justifying requirement of teacher education programme in the area had now been obtained and furnished. It was further submitted that the proposal for merger had been approved by Govind Guru Janjatiya University, Banswara vide order dated 08.04.2026, being the affiliating body of the institution. The appellant institution submitted that the approved Building Plan, indicating the name of the Society, total built-up area of 4801 sq. metres and other requisite particulars, had been furnished. It was further submitted that the institution possesses 8600 sq. metres of converted land, stated to be sufficient for earmarking the 3000 sq. metres required for ITEP, and that the demarcated Building Plan/site plan earmarking land and built-up area for the ITEP programme had been submitted. The institution also submitted that the land stands converted for educational purposes vide Conversion Order dated 09.09.2015 issued by the Collector, Banswara. The appellant institution further submitted that the Income Tax Exemption Certificate had been obtained and furnished, and that the institutional website <http://yogeshwarisansthan.in>, had been made operational and updated in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The appellant institution submitted that salary to staff is being paid as per State Government norms, supported by salary statements/bank records, and that the teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating University had been furnished. It was further submitted that geo-tagged photographs of the Library/Reading Room, Computer Lab/ICT facilities and Multipurpose Hall, indicating adequate seating capacity, furniture and infrastructure, had been furnished in support of compliance with NCTE norms.

The appellant institution submitted an affidavit vide letter dated 23.05.2026 received on 25.05.2026 in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate, merger/multidisciplinary approval documents, approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate, Site Plan, CLU/land conversion documents, and exemption certificate under the Income Tax provisions. The institution further submitted updated website compliance, geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities, salary bank statements evidencing payment through banking channels, and a teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body in the prescribed format.

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IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 07.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.



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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-185/E-408652/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615656 -

Shri Bhartiya Adarsh Vidhyapeeth Teacher Training College, Khasra No. 416/379, 748/603, Village - Sardarshahar, Churu, Rajasthan- 331403.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Representative of the Institution
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shri Bhartiya Adarsh Vidhyapeeth Teacher Training College, Khasra No. 416/379, 748/603, Village - Sardarshahar, Churu, Rajasthan-331403** dated **10.05.2026** filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No.NCTE/WRC/2627202509263365/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1894** dated **06.03.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that “ . The proposal for collaboration between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. The institution is required to upload the same. ii. The institution has not uploaded the admitted students list countersigned by Affiliating University. iii. MOU is not uploaded in the prescribed as per the NCTE guidelines. iv. As per the land details column land area is 11813 sq. mts. whereas the plot is area in the fire portal NOC is 2496 sq. mts. The land area is mismatched. v. The institution has not upload latest Mutation Certificate (Jamabandi) mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Authority of State Government. vi. The Institution has not uploaded Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by Competent Authority of State Government. vii. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. viii. The two plots are mentioned in BCC. ix. The institution has not uploaded the list of teaching staff of all Education Faculty Programmes duly approved and countersigned by its affiliating body. x. The institution has not provide proof that all khasara number i.e. 416/379 & 748/603 are a single plot. xi. 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. But earmarked for each course being run in the premises and the demarcated land area and built-up area for the teacher education programmes including multi-disciplinary programmes. xii. The institution has not uploaded the Building Disabled Friendly Certificate issued by the Competent Authority of the State Government. xiii. The website of the institution has not been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations as amended from time to time. xiv. The college name board is not visible in the geotagged photographs. xv. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. xvi. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. xvii. The

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II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of Shri Bhartiya Adarsh Vidhyapeeth Teacher Training College, Khasra No. 416/379, 748/603, Village - Sardarshahar, Churu, Rajasthan-331403 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "Facts of the case:- 1. The appellant Shri Adarsh Shiksha Samiti, Sardarshahar, District Churu was granted Recognition for conducting 4-year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. vide recognition Order dated 2/05/17 as per terms of Appendix 13 of NCTE Regulation 2014 under the name "Shri Bhartiya Adarsh Vidyapeeth Teacher Training College, Sardarshahar. 2. That the NCTE Regulations 2014 were amended whereby the Appendix 13 was omitted and NCTE Amended Regulations, 2022 were introduced. All the existing institution running 4-year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. were required to apply for transition to ITEP course. The Petitioner institution also applied for transition and was allotted 2627202509263365 number. 3. The application of the appellant institution was rejected by WRC in its 450 Meeting on the following grounds:- i. The proposal for collaboration between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. The institution is required to upload the same. ii. The institution has not uploaded the admitted students list countersigned by Affiliating University. iii. MOU is not uploaded in the prescribed as per the NCTE guidelines. iv. As per the land details column land area is 11813 sq.mts. Whereas the plot is area in the fire portal NOC is 2496 sq.mts. The land area is mismatched. v. The institution has not upload latest Mutation Certificate (Jamabandi) mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Authority of State Government. vi. The Institution has not uploaded Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by Competent Authority of State Government. vii. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. viii. The two plots are mentioned in BCC. ix. The institution has not uploaded the list of teaching staff of all Education Faculty Programmes

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iv. Fire safety certificate is attached herewith. v. The Institution became the owner of land vide 2 separate sale deed. For one Plot measuring 2496 sq mtr Patta has been issued by Nagarpalika for educational purpose and its mutation is recorded in the name of Nagar palika. Other Plot admeasuring 9282.06 sq mtr has been converted by the Order of SDM therefore its Jamabandi is in the name of institution. Both the Jamabandis are attached herewith. vi. Not for Profit Certificate issued by Registrar of Societies is attached herewith. vii. For one Plot measuring 2496 sq mtr Patta has been issued by Nagarpalika for educational purpose and there is no separate Conversion. Other Plot admeasuring 9282.06 sq mtr has been converted by the Order of SDM. Nagar palika patta issued for educational purpose and conversion order are attached herewith. viii. The Institution land is in 2 adjoining plots. Site Plan by Tehsildar showing adjoining plots and new BCC is attached herewith. ix. List of teaching staff duly countersigned by the affiliating University is duly attached herewith. x. Report of Tehsildar showing that both the plots are adjoining is attached herewith. xi. Building Plan earmarking the built-up area for ITEP course is attached herewith. xii. The Building Disabled Friendly Certificate is attached herewith. xiii. The Website of the institution <http://sbavpttc.in> has been operational as per the requirement of NCTE regulation 2014 as amended from time to time, which can be verified at any time. xiv. Geotagged Photos of Building is attached herewith. xv. Institution has sufficient space for Playground which is well maintained. Photographs are attached herewith. xvi. As per NCTE norms there is no prescribed Number of Chairs, however institution has enough place to accommodate Large Number of students. The photographs does not exactly speak the truth. For Your Convenience Geo-tagged photographs of Library and Reading Rooms showing the Sitting capacity are attached herewith. xvii. Multipurpose Hall adequate furniture having sitting capacity of around 200 people. Geotagged photograph of the same are attached herewith. xviii. the Salary is being paid as per state Government Norms and statement of it is attached herewith. xix. The File of the institution for issuance of State NOC is under process. Even though we already had submitted these documents with WRC however for sake of Convenience we are hereby attaching all the documents to fulfil the shortcomings pointed in Rejection order, for Your Kind Consideration. (E) Because the judicial pronouncement of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court in the matter of Rambha College of Education Vs NCTE (W.P (C) 3231/2016, judgement dated 23.02.2017 mandates the appeal committee to consider the subsequent documents submitted before it along with the appeal. (F) Because the appellate institute has removed all the deficiencies pointed by the WRC in its Refusal Order, therefore the refusal order should be set aside. (G) Because the appeal has to be filled within 60 days of the communication of the rejection order. If any delay, that may be condoned as there is no wilful delay on the part of appellant. **PRAYER** - Therefore, it is humbly prayed and requested that the appellant authority may graciously be pleased to accept and allow instant appeal and the same may be considered and decided on merits. The decision of refusal

may kindly be set aside and quashed. WRC may be directed to accept institution as multi-disciplinary institution and process the application of appellant for transmission of 4 Year integrated course to ITEP course. Any other order or direction that may be fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case be passed in favour of appellant. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and applicable guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted/uploaded before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable by the competent authorities. The institution submitted that affiliation orders evidencing multidisciplinary status and collaboration/merger arrangement approved by the affiliating body and State Government had been furnished. It was further submitted that land ownership, mutation/jamabandi, CLU/conversion orders, adjoining plot details, Non-Encumbrance Certificate and Building Completion Certificate had been placed on record. The institution also submitted countersigned teaching staff and student lists, approved building plan, disabled-friendly certificate, website compliance, geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities including library, multipurpose hall, playground and name board, along with salary records evidencing payment through banking channels.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 06.03.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that Shri Bhartiya Adarsh Vidyapeeth Teacher Training College, Sardarshahar, District Churu, run by Shri Adarsh Shiksha Samiti, had been granted recognition for conducting the 4-year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programme vide Recognition Order dated 02.05.2017 under Appendix-13 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was submitted that, consequent upon the NCTE Regulations, 2022, the institution applied for transition to ITEP through the Transition Portal. The appellant institution submitted that the

application was rejected by the WRC on grounds relating to non-approval of collaboration proposal by the affiliating university, non-submission of admitted students list countersigned by the affiliating university, absence of Memorandum of Collaboration/Merger in prescribed form, mismatch in land area reflected in Fire Safety records, non-submission of latest mutation/Jamabandi, not-for-profit certificate, CLU, approved Building Plan and Disabled Friendly Certificate, non-submission of approved teaching staff list, absence of proof regarding adjoining Khasra plots, non-functional website, inadequacies in geo-tagged photographs relating to name board, playground, library and multipurpose hall, non-submission of salary bank statements, and non-submission of State Government certificate justifying requirement of teacher education programme under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary HEIs. The appellant institution further submitted that the proposal for collaboration between Shri Bhartiya Adarsh Vidyapeeth T.T. College, Sardarshahar and Ginni Devi Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Sardarshahar had subsequently been approved by the affiliating body, Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner vide order dated 05.05.2026, and that both institutions are affiliated with the same University. It was also submitted that the countersigned admitted students list and Memorandum of Collaboration/Merger along with supporting documents had been furnished. The appellant institution submitted that the latest Fire Safety Certificate, mutation/Jamabandi records, and Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by the Registrar of Societies had been furnished. It was further submitted that one plot measuring 2496 sq. metres had been allotted through Nagarpalika Patta for educational purposes, while the adjoining plot measuring 9282.06 sq. metres had been converted for educational purposes through SDM order, and relevant land records, including Tehsildar's report showing both plots as adjoining, had been submitted. The appellant institution further submitted that the approved Building Plan earmarking built-up area for the ITEP programme, Building Disabled Friendly Certificate, and revised Building Completion Certificate/site plan had been furnished. It was also submitted that the institutional website <http://sbavpttc.in>, had been updated and maintained in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The appellant institution submitted that the teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating university and salary statements/bank records indicating payment as per State Government norms had been furnished. It was further submitted that geo-tagged photographs of the college building, playground, Library Reading Room and Multipurpose Hall had been uploaded to demonstrate adequacy of infrastructure and facilities as per NCTE norms. The institution also submitted that the proposal for issuance of the State Government NOC/certificate justifying requirement of teacher education programme in the area was under process with the competent authority. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and

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IV. DECISION: -

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NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)
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एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-186/E-408653/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
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Shri Shyam BVV College, Khasra No. 24, 24/489, 34, 35, 149, 150, 150/47024, Village - Kasumbariya Anandpuri, Dahod Road, Banswara, Rajasthan-327031.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. - G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
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Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
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आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shri Shyam BVV College, Khasra No. 24, 24/489, 34, 35, 149, 150,150/47024, Village - Kasumbariya Anandpuri, Dahod Road, Banswara, Rajasthan-327031** dated **10.05.2026** filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509283408/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1947** dated **24.04.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The institution is uploaded affiliation order and applicant name of Shri Shyam college whereas the Recognition order is uploaded in the name of Shri Shyam B.V. College. Both the names are mismatched. Hence, the Applicant institution is not running multi-disciplinary courses in the field of liberal arts, humanities, social sciences, commerce or mathematics as per Regulation No.NCTE-Regl011/80/2018- MS(Regulation)-HQ dated 26.10.2021 as amended from time to time and Public Notice No.NCTERegl012/7/2025-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. As per the mentioned plot area 500 sq.mts. The institution mentioned land area is 8100 sq.mts. Whereas the land area is mismatched. The institution is required to upload Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://lsgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. iii. The website of institution <http://www.mjfspm.org/> has NOT been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. The institution is required to update the website as per NCTE regulations. iv. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. v. The name of multidisciplinary institute and TRS does not match, but if assume that they are running the multidisciplinary institute in the same premises i.e. B.A. 160x3=480, B.Sc.140x3= 420,. B.Com.,70x3=210 The sufficiency of land and built-up area for the above courses with of multidisciplinary courses and intake for B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (2 unit), B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (2 unit) course cannot be ascertained. vi. The uploaded building plan is not proper. 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. vii. The

geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. viii. Institution uploaded so many irrelevant documents, The institution has not uploaded proper Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Arese (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority ix. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the Multipurpose Hall is not as per NCTE norms. furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. x. The uploaded geotagged photographs show that the computer lab, library and other labs are not in good condition xi. Committee noted that, As per the mentioned plot area 500 sq.mts. The institution is mentioned land area is 8100 sq.mts. Whereas the land area is mismatched. The institution has not uploaded proper Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://sgonline.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. xii. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that the salary is being paid as per Central/State Govt. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether it is paying salary to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms xiii. The uploaded teaching staff list is not as per NCTE norms and not in the prescribed format of NCTE. xiv. The institution has not uploaded the legible land documents copy.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Mr. Ram Ratan Ruhela, President of Shri Shyam BVV College, Khasra No. 24, 24/489, 34, 35, 149, 150, 150/47024, Village - Kasumbariya Anandpuri, Dahod Road, Banswara, Rajasthan-327031 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “Fact of the case :- 1. The appellant Shri Shyam Shikshan Sansthan, Anandpuri, District Banswara was granted Recognition for conducting 4 year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. vide recognition Order dated 23/6/17 as per terms of Appendix 13 of NCTE Regulation 2014 under the name "Shri Shyam B V V College Anandpuri Banswara. 2. That the NCTE Regulations 2014 were amended whereby the Appendix 13 was omitted and NCTE Amended Regulations, 2022 were introduced. All The Ristung institution running 4 year integrated B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. were required to apply for transition to ITEP course. The Petitioner institution also applied for transition and was allotted 2627202509283408 number. 3. The application of the appellant institution was rejected by WRC in its 456 Meeting on the following grounds: - i. The institution is uploaded affiliation order and applicant name of Shri Shyam college Whereas the Recognition order is uploaded in the name of Shri Shyam B.V. College. Both the names are

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That aggrieved by decision of rejection by WRC the appellant submits present appeal under section 18 on following grounds:- (A) Because the refusal order is bad, arbitrary, perverse and illegal and thus same cannot be sustained in the eyes of law. (B) Because now the institution fulfills all the deficiencies pointed out by the WRC which are as under:- i. The institution was given recognition for 4 yr integrated B.A.c B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed programme under the name "Shri Shyam BVV College" and the society is also running a degree college by the Same name "Shri Shyam BVV College" share the same campus and are not distinct entities but are part of the same institution therefore, the Institution fulfil all the essential characteristics of a "Multidisciplinary Institution" as envisaged in the amended NCTE Regulations, 2014. The affiliation order of degree college, recognition order and NOC from Commissionerate in the name of "Shri Shyam BVV College" are attached herewith. Both the Institutions are affiliated with the same University. At the time of filling of the application for transmission the computer operator made a mistake and wrongly quoted the name of institution as Shri Shyam ITEP college but actually it was "Shri Shyam BVV College" The appellant institution has attached the recognition order of 4 yr integrated course which clearly shows the name of the college, but WRC clearly overlooked. ii. The Land Area in Fire safety certificate has been updated which can be verified online. The fire safety certificate is attached herewith. iii. The address of website given in refusal order is wrong and is not of the institution. The Website of the institution <http://shrishyambvvcollegeanandpuri.in> has been operational as per the requirement of NCTE regulation 2014 as amended from time to time, which can be verified at any time. iv. As per NCTE norms there is no prescribed Number of Chairs, however institution has enough place to accommodate Large Number of students. Geo-tagged photographs of Library and Reading Rooms showing the Sitting capacity are attached herewith. v. The Built-up area of the institution is around 6559 sq mtr. The area earmarked for ITEP course is 4525 Sq mtr. As per norms the area Required for running 2 units of ITEP course is 2400 sq mtr of Built-up area. The institution is having sufficient built-up area for running these courses together. vi. The Building plan of the institution shows two BLOCKS - Block A and Block B. As the Building Plan shows that the Block A having Built up area of 4525 sq. ft is used for 4 yr. integrated courses B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. and have other shared facilities whereas Block B is

used for other Liberal (Degree) Courses. The Building plan earmarking the built-up area for ITEP course is attached herewith. vii. Institution has sufficient space for Playground which is well maintained. Photographs are attached herewith. viii. The institution owns total land of 12500 sq mtr which is converted by the Order of SDM vide 2 different orders which are attached herewith. ix. Multipurpose Hall adequate furniture having sitting capacity of around 200 people, Geotagged photographs of the same are attached herewith. x. Photographs of Computer lab are attached herewith. xi. Fire safety is attached herewith. xii. List of teaching staff duly countersigned by the affiliating University is duly attached herewith. xiii. the Salary is being paid as per state Government Norms and statement of it is attached herewith. xiv. The copy of land documents is attached herewith. Even though we already had submitted these documents with WRC however for sake of Convenience we are hereby attaching all the documents to fulfil the shortcomings pointed in Rejection order, for Your Kind Consideration. (C) Because, the details of the application forms itself speaks that institution is multidisciplinary which shows that committee has not applied any mind & straight away, without going into the wholesomeness of documents ejected the application of the appellant institution which is liable to be quashed. We are hereby submitting an affidavit submitting that the appellant institution is multidisciplinary as per the NCTE regulations 2022. (D) Because, the institution should be made to suffer due to one mistake by the computer operator in mentioning the name of institution. It will prejudice the whole future of the institution. (E) Because the judicial pronouncement of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court in the matter of Rambha College of Education Vs NCTE (W.P (C) 3231/2016, judgement dated 23.02.2017 mandates the appeal committee to consider the subsequent documents submitted before it along with the appeal. (F) Because the appellate institute has removed all the deficiencies pointed by the WRC in its Refusal Order, therefore the refusal order should be set aside. (G) Because the appeal has to be filled within 60 days of the communication of the rejection order. If any delay, that may be condoned as there is no willful delay on the part of appellant. **PRAYER** - Therefore, it is humbly prayed and requested that the appellant authority may graciously be pleased to accept and allow instant appeal and the same may be considered and decided on merits. The decision of refusal may kindly be set aside and quashed. WRC may be directed to accept institution as multidisciplinary institution and process the application of appellant for transmission of 4 Year integrated course to ITEP course. Any other order or direction that may be fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case be passed in favour of appellant. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 24.04.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it fulfils the requirements of a Multidisciplinary Institution, both institutions being affiliated with the same university, and clarified the nomenclature of the institution in relation to the ITEP application. The institution further submitted Fire Safety Certificate, updated

website compliance, approved Building Plan, CLU/land conversion documents, land ownership records and geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities, including library, playground, multipurpose hall and computer laboratory. It was also submitted that the institution has furnished a teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body and salary statements/bank records evidencing payment through banking channels.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 03.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 24.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that Shri Shyam B.V.V. College, Anandpuri, District Banswara, run by Shri Shyam Shikshan Sansthan, had been granted recognition for conducting the 4-year integrated B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. programme vide Recognition Order dated 23.06.2017 under Appendix-13 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. It was submitted that, pursuant to the NCTE Regulations, 2022, the institution applied for transition to ITEP through the Transition Portal. The appellant institution submitted that the application was rejected by the WRC on grounds relating to mismatch in the name of the applicant institution vis-à-vis the multidisciplinary institution, non-establishment of multidisciplinary status, discrepancy in land area reflected in Fire Safety records, non-functional/non-compliant website, inadequacy of Library Reading Room, insufficiency of land and built-up area for multidisciplinary and ITEP courses, improper Building Plan, inadequate playground and multipurpose hall facilities, improper/irrelevant land documents and CLU, inadequacy of computer lab and infrastructure facilities, non-verifiable salary payment as per Government norms, non-prescribed teaching staff list, and non-submission of legible land records. The appellant institution further submitted that "Shri Shyam B.V.V. College" is the recognized teacher education institution as well as the multidisciplinary degree institution run by the same society in the same campus and affiliated to Govind Guru Tribal University, Banswara, and that the discrepancy in the institution's name in the transition application occurred due to an inadvertent error by the computer operator. In

support thereof, the institution submitted the recognition order, affiliation order and NOC from the Commissionerate in the name of Shri Shyam B.V.V. College, along with an affidavit affirming its multidisciplinary status. The appellant institution submitted that the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent Fire Safety Department bearing Certificate No. 64785 dated 13.03.2026, valid upto 12.03.2028, had been obtained and updated, and the land area discrepancy had been rectified. It was further submitted that the institutional website <http://shrishyambvvcollgeanandpuri.in> had been updated and maintained in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The appellant institution further submitted that the institution possesses a total built-up area of approximately 6559 sq. metres, out of which 4525 sq. metres has been earmarked for the ITEP programme, and that Block-A has been earmarked for the integrated teacher education programmes while Block-B is utilized for other multidisciplinary/liberal courses. It was submitted that an approved Building Plan issued by the Junior Engineer, Anandpuri, indicating all courses, Khasra details, land area and earmarked built-up area, had been furnished. The appellant institution also submitted that the institution owns approximately 12,500 sq. metres of land, duly converted for educational purposes through two CLU/Conversion Orders issued by the SDM, and relevant sale deeds, Jamabandi and land documents had been furnished. It was further submitted that geo-tagged photographs of the Library Reading Room, Playground, Multipurpose Hall, Computer Lab and infrastructure facilities had been uploaded to demonstrate adequacy of facilities as per NCTE norms. The appellant institution submitted that the teaching staff list duly countersigned by Govind Guru Tribal University, Banswara in the prescribed NCTE format had been furnished and that salary sheets/bank statements evidencing payment of salary through banking channels as per Central/State Government pay scales had also been submitted. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 24.04.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it fulfils the requirements of a Multidisciplinary Institution, both institutions being affiliated with the same university, and furnished documents relating to institutional nomenclature and affiliation. The institution further submitted Fire Safety Certificate, updated website compliance, approved Building Plan, CLU/land-related documents, geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities, teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating body, and salary statements/bank records evidencing payment through banking channels.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned-decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements

prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings

cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 24.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 24.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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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आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Swami Vivekanand B.Ed. College, Survey no. 230, 230/1, 231/1, Gaurav Path, Dungarpur, Sagwara District, Rajasthan-314025** dated **01.05.2026** filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F.No. NCTE/WRC/2627202509192929/RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/1975** dated **30.04.2026** of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "i. The website of the institution has not been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. ii. The name of applicant College is not reflected on any part of building in the geotagged photo uploaded. iii. Committee noted that, the institution has earmarked part of the same building for ITEP course and Degree college. The same is not as per clause 6.1(b) of NCTE Regulation 2021, which clearly specifies "The institution shall earmark 3000 sqm of well demarcated land for the initial intake of fifty students and 2000 sqm shall be the demarcated built-up area". iv. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. vi. Multipurpose Hall related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. vii. Computer labs and ICT-related facilities are not visible in the uploaded geotagged photographs. viii. A board with the name of the Swami Vivekanand B.Ed. College is seen to have been put up temporarily. This board can be removed at any time. ix. It cannot be ascertained because not document regarding salary has uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State Government pay scale. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether the institution is paying salaries to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms. x. The institution is having 3940.61 sq.mt built up area as mentioned in the affidavit of land details. Institution is running B.A. 80x3=240, B.Sc.70x3=210, B.A. B.Ed. and B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit). 100x4=400. The sufficiency of built-up area for all courses cannot be ascertained xi. Committee noted that, the uploaded Khasra number 95 is for educational and commercial purpose. Kh. No.95/1 is not in the list of CLU. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Areas (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-11 of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. xii. The uploaded list of teaching staff is duly countersigned by its affiliating body/Registrar of University but not in the prescribed format of NCTE and not as per NCTE regulation 2014 and amendments time by time. xiii. Committee noted that, the

institution has proposed the ITEP course at Plot/Khasra No. 231/1, which has been registered after grant of recognition by NCTE, hence, the same is not acceptable. xiv. The uploaded building plan is not proper. The institution has not uploaded the proper 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. xv. Committee noted that, the name of applicant institution is 'SWAMI VIVEKANAND BED COLLEGE' as per the NCTE recognition order whereas the name of institution conducting Multi-Disciplinary Courses is 'Swami Vivekanand College'. The name of institution is mismatch."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Mr. Saurabh Pathak, Director of Swami Vivekanand B.Ed. College, Survey no. 230, 230/1, 231/1, Gaurav Path, Dungarpur, Sagwara District, Rajasthan-314025 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The institution has updated and maintained its official website in strict adherence to Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14), and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. All required disclosures, including faculty details, infrastructure, and regulatory approvals, are now accessible. 2. The institution has ensured that the name "SWAMI VIVEKANAND B.ED. COLLEGE" is prominently and permanently displayed on the main institutional building. As evidenced in the updated photographs, the signage is an integral, non-removable part of the structure, clearly establishing the identity of the teacher education wing. 3. The revised building plan, approved by the Competent Authority, now explicitly: - Demarcates the 3,000 sqm of land and 2,500 sqm of built-up area specifically for the ITEP program as per Clause 6.1(b). Separates the areas earmarked for the ITEP course from the Degree college to ensure no overlapping of instructional space. Details the total built-up area of 3940.61 sq.mt and proves its sufficiency for all existing units (B.A., B.Sc., B.A.B.Ed., and B.Sc.B.Ed.). 4. The institution has captured new, high- resolution geotagged photographs from multiple angles to provide a complete view of the seating layout. These photographs clearly show the expanded furniture, organized study carrels, and the actual utilization capacity of the hall, which were not fully captured in the previous limited-angle submissions. 5. The institution has now provided explicit visual proof that the Multipurpose Hall is fully equipped with all the necessary instructional and ceremonial facilities. 6. The institution has now provided comprehensive visual and documentary evidence that it maintains a standard playground and adequate sports facilities. 7. The institution has not provided explicitly, high-resolution geotagged evidence that the Computer Lab and ICT facilities are fully operation and

meet the highest standards. 8. The institution has installed permanent, fixed signage on the main building façade. The new geotagged evidence confirms that the identity of the institution is a fixed part of the campus infrastructure. 9. The institution has now provided the necessary financial documentation to confirm that all staff members are compensated in accordance with the norms set by the State Government. 10. The institution has provided a clear, color-coded, and dimensioned building plan that the sufficiency of the 3,940.61 sq. mt. area for all enrolled students. There is no overlap that compromises the instructional standards of the Teacher Education Programme. 11. The institution confirms that all existing facilities are located on legally converted institutional land (Khasra No. 230 and 230/1) as per the submitted Form – 11. The documentation provided establishes a clear legal title and authorized land use for all educational activities. While the committee noted Khasra NO. 95/1, the institution clarifies that this plot is an agriculture, additional land holding earmarked for future expansion. 12. The institution has now provided the comprehensive staff list in the required format, duly countersigned by the Affiliating Body, to fulfil all requirements under the NCTE Regulation, 2014. 13. The institution confirms that the ITEP course is situated on the legally recognized and timely registered Khasra No. 230 and 230/1 Khasra No 231/1 is merely an additional land holding for future use and is not being used to satisfy the core recognition requirements. 14. The institution has corrected all previous deficiencies by submitting a professionally drafted, officially approved building plan that provides a granular breakdown of land and built-up area usage. This document proves that the infrastructure is properly earmarked and demarcated for both ITEP and multidisciplinary programs. 15. The institution clarifies that while the merger process was initiated well in advance, the final formal orders from the **Commissionerate of College Education (DCE), Jaipur, and the Govind Guru Tribal University (GGTU), Banswara**, were received only after the submission deadline for the Second Show Cause Notice (SCN-2). These are statutory documents issued by government bodies, and the timing of their issuance was beyond the institution's control. The following documents (now attached as Additional Evidence) confirm that both names refer to the same legal and physical entity. The institution prays that the Committee takes this additional evidence on record. The transition from a "B.Ed. College" to a "College" is a functional upgrade required by the ITEP norms and should not be viewed as a mismatch of identity, but rather as a fulfilment of the multidisciplinary mandate. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 30.04.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished updated website compliance, permanent institutional signage details, approved Building Plan, land-related documents including Jamabandi/land records, and clarification regarding institutional nomenclature and multidisciplinary integration. The institution further submitted geotagged photographs relating to library, multipurpose hall, playground, computer/ICT facilities and infrastructural amenities,

along with documents regarding built-up area and earmarked space for the programme. It was also submitted that teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating university, salary payment through banking channels, and supporting documents relating to Fire Safety Certificate have been furnished.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 04.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 30.04.2026.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that the institution had addressed the deficiencies pointed out by the Regional Committee and submitted requisite compliance documents in support of its appeal for transition to ITEP. The appellant institution submitted that the institutional website had been updated and maintained in compliance with Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and that all mandatory disclosures relating to faculty, infrastructure, approved intake, fee structure and statutory information had been made available online. It was further submitted that the institutional name "SWAMI VIVEKANAND B.ED. COLLEGE"/"Swami Vivekanand College" had been permanently displayed on the main building façade through fixed structural signage and updated geo-tagged photographic evidence had been furnished. The appellant institution further submitted that a revised, color-coded Building Plan duly approved by the competent authority had been furnished, indicating demarcated land area of 3000 sq. metres and built-up area of 2500 sq. metres earmarked exclusively for the ITEP programme, in accordance with the applicable NCTE norms. It was submitted that the Building Plan clearly segregates the infrastructure earmarked for the ITEP programme from that of the degree college and reflects a total built-up area of 3940.61 sq. metres, stated to be sufficient for the multidisciplinary programmes and the proposed ITEP course. The appellant institution submitted that updated geo-tagged photographs of the Library Reading Room, Multipurpose Hall, Playground, Computer Lab and

ICT facilities had been furnished to demonstrate adequacy of seating capacity, furniture, instructional facilities, sports infrastructure and operational ICT resources in compliance with NCTE norms. It was further submitted that the institution had furnished financial records/bank statements evidencing payment of salaries to teaching and non-teaching staff through banking channels in accordance with State Government norms, along with the teaching staff list in the prescribed NCTE format duly approved and countersigned by the affiliating university, namely Govind Guru Tribal University (GGTU), Banswara. The appellant institution also submitted that the institution is situated on legally converted land bearing Khasra Nos. 230 and 230/1, supported by Form-11/land records and Jamabandi, and clarified that Khasra No. 95/1 and Khasra No. 231/1 are additional land holdings earmarked for future expansion and are not being relied upon for meeting the core infrastructural requirements of the present application. It was further submitted that the approved Building Plan explicitly mentions the relevant Khasra numbers, land area and earmarked built-up area for both multidisciplinary and teacher education programmes. The appellant institution further submitted that the variation in nomenclature between "Swami Vivekanand B.Ed. College" and "Swami Vivekanand College" arose on account of transition towards a multidisciplinary institutional framework under the ITEP mandate, and that the formal merger/integration orders issued by the Commissionerate of College Education, Jaipur and Govind Guru Tribal University (GGTU), Banswara were received after the timeline prescribed for submission of reply to the Second Show Cause Notice. The institution submitted that the said documents establish that both names pertain to the same legal entity and physical campus operated under the sponsoring society. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 30.04.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted updated website compliance, documents relating to institutional signage, multidisciplinary integration, approved Building Plan, built-up area and earmarked space, and land-related records/Jamabandi. The institution further submitted geotagged photographs relating to infrastructural facilities, including library, multipurpose hall, playground and ICT/computer facilities, along with teaching staff list duly countersigned by the affiliating university, salary payment through banking channels, and Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read

with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised

that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 30.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 30.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Swami Vivekanand B.Ed. College, Survey no. 230, 230/1, 231/1, Gaurav Path, Dungarpur, Sagwara District, Rajasthan-314025.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.**
3. **The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Higher and Technical Education, Block-4, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Shiksha Sankul, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302015.**



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एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-124/E-404565/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLERC202615576 -

<p>Mata Sita Sunder College of Education, Plot No. 1706, 1707, 1708, 1741, Village - Dhanhara, Manik Chowk, Gadha Bajpati Road, Runni Saidpur, Sitamarhi, Bihar -843323.</p> <p>APPELLANT</p>	<p><u>Vs</u></p>	<p>Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.</p> <p>RESPONDENT</p>
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Representative of Appellant	Shri Rajeev Kumar, Secretary
Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Mata Sita Sunder College of Education, Plot No. 1706, 1707, 1708, 1741, Village - Dhanhara, Manik Chowk, Gadha Bajpati Road, Runni Saidpur, Sitamarhi, Bihar -843323** dated 26.03.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/ERC/2627202509263311/BIHAR/2025/REJC/1653** dated 29.01.2026 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "As per decision of ERC, Show Cause Notice post preliminary scrutiny was sent on 15.11.2025. The institution has not submitted reply to the SCN. 2. As per decision of ERC, Final Show Cause Notice post preliminary scrutiny was issued to the institution on 30.12.2025. The institution has not submitted reply of Final Show Cause Notice."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Shri Rajeev Kumar, Secretary from Mata Sita Sunder College of Education, Plot No. 1706, 1707, 1708, 1741, Village - Dhanhara, Manik Chowk, Gadha Bajpati Road, Runni Saidpur, Sitamarhi, Bihar -843323 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. Our institution has fully transitioned into a Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institution (HEI) in strict adherence to the NCTE Guidelines issued in May 2025. This transformation has been achieved through a formal collaboration with Urmila Devi Sadanand Yadav Gurukul Degree College, as evidenced by the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) executed on 11/06/2025. The collaboration has been duly approved by the Registrar of B.R.A. Bihar University, Muzaffarpur, vide Reference No. B/08 dated 05/01/2026. This approval confirms our alignment with the multidisciplinary requirements, including the integration of teacher education with other undergraduate programs. We have also submitted an updated compliance affidavit affirming our multidisciplinary status, ensuring compliance with all amended NCTE regulations. 2. Both Mata Sita Sunder College of Education and Urmila Devi Sadanand Yadav Degree College are affiliated to B.R.A. Bihar University, Muzaffarpur, and are located within a distance of approximately 8.86 km from each other, well within the 10 km limit prescribed by NCTE regulations. This distance has been verified through Google Earth mapping and certified by a licensed surveyor and architect. The coordinates are as follows: Mata Sita Sunder College of Education (Latitude: 26.466071, Longitude: 85.556786) and Urmila Devi Sadanand Yadav Degree College (Latitude: 26.564063, Longitude: 85.51533). This proximity facilitates seamless collaboration

for multidisciplinary operations. 3. The need for establishing Teacher Training Institutions, including the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), in the Sitamarhi district is well-established and supported by notifications from the Bihar State Government. The enclosed approval from the Registrar, B.R.A. Bihar University, Muzaffarpur (Reference No. B/08 dated 05/01/2026), under point No. 4, explicitly states: "The district of Sitamarhi, under the jurisdiction of B.R.A. Bihar University, Muzaffarpur has an urgent need for establishing Teacher Training Institutions, including ITEP Courses, as evident from various notifications issued by State Government from time to time." This serves as a clear justification for the need for the region. Additionally, we have applied for and received a receiving receipt of Vitran Sakha for the certificate from the Bihar Education Department confirming the regional demand for ITEP programs to address teacher shortages in Sitamarhi. 4. The collaboration between Mata Sita Sunder College of Education and Urmila Devi Sadanand Yadav Gurukul Degree College has been formally approved by the statutory body of our affiliating university, B.R.A. Bihar University, Muzaffarpur. This approval was granted vide Reference No. B/08 dated 05/01/2026, following a review by the university's academic council, ensuring compliance with NCTE requirements for ITEP. 5. Urmila Devi Sadanand Yadav Degree College offers at least three undergraduate degree programs: B.A., B.Sc., and B.Com., which align with the ITEP requirements for multidisciplinary integration. The college does not have an Education Department of its own, making it an ideal partner for collaboration without any overlap in teacher education functions. This is confirmed through the affiliation letter from B.R.A. Bihar University and a self-declaration from the college. 6. The collaboration between Urmila Devi Sadanand Yadav Gurukul Degree College and Mata Sita Sunder College of Education is exclusive for the purpose of transforming our institution into a multidisciplinary HEI. The MoU explicitly states that this tie-up is unique and not extended to any other teacher education institution, ensuring focused multidisciplinary development as per NCTE guidelines. 7. The minor variation in the postal address noted in the SCN is due to a clerical discrepancy in older records. The correct and consistent address is Village-Danhara, Post- Manik Chowk, PS- Runni Saidpur, Sitamarhi, Bihar-843323, which matches our existing NCTE recognition orders for B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. programs. We have updated and clarified this through revised land documents and an affidavit. 8. Our managing trust, Dashrath Prasad Singh Trust for Institute of Education Training Research and Community Development, operates on a not-for-profit basis. The enclosed certificate from the Sub-Registrar, Muzaffarpur, Bihar and also the relevant portion excerpt taken from Original Trust deed of the trust confirms this status, ensuring that the ITEP program will be managed without profit motives, in line with NCTE norms. 9. We have now prepared and submitted an authorization letter on Rs. 100/- non-judicial stamp paper, duly notarized, authorizing the Secretary to represent the institution in all matters related to the ITEP application and

compliance with NCTE. 10. As the ITEP program is in the pre-recognition stage for the 2026-27 session, no students have been admitted yet. Admissions will commence only after NCTE recognition is granted. For reference, we are providing details of students currently enrolled in our existing B.A./B.Sc.-B.Ed. programs for the 2025-26 session. An affidavit confirms zero admissions in ITEP to date. 11. We apologize for the earlier unreadable submission. We are now enclosing a clear, legible copy of the latest mutation certificate dated December 2025, issued by the competent revenue authority, confirming ownership and details of the land. 12. To address the land area shortfall, we have earmarked an additional 0.62 acres (approximately 2510 sqm) of contiguous land, increasing the total available land from 1.00 acres to 1.62 acres (6624.53 sqm). This meets or exceeds the requirements under Para 6.1(b) of the NCTE Notification dated 26/10/2021 for running two units each of B.Ed., D.El.Ed., and ITEP. The additional land has been allocated via a resolution of the Trust and supported by revised measurement reports and sale deeds. 13. We have obtained and are enclosing the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) updated till 05/01/2026, issued by the competent authority, confirming that the land is free from any encumbrances or legal disputes. 14. The built-up area has been expanded through vertical additions (additional floors) to a total of 7555.11 sqm, which now fully complies with NCTE regulations for accommodating two units each of B.Ed., D.El.Ed., and ITEP. This expansion is certified in the Building Completion Certificate. 15. We have secured the required safety certificates from government authorities. The Fire Safety Certificate is valid from 2026 to 2028, and the Building Safety Certificate confirms structural integrity for educational use. 16. Our campus, buildings, and facilities have been designed to be fully barrier-free and accessible, including ramps, elevators, accessible furniture, and restrooms. This is certified by a registered architect in compliance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, and NCTE norms. 17. This ground is identical to Ground 12 and has been addressed therein. The additional earmarked land increases the total to 1.62 acres (6624.53 sqm), meeting the requirements under Para 6.1(b) dated 26/10/2021. Please refer to the reply and enclosures for Ground 12. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 29.01.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement/Recommendation/NOC Certificate issued by the State Government and documents relating to collaboration/multidisciplinary integration approved by the affiliating university. The institution further submitted land-related details/documents, including khasra/plot particulars and earmarked land for educational purposes, along with approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate (BCC) issued by the competent authority. It was also submitted that the infrastructure and built-up area are available for the recognised/proposed teacher education programmes.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 04.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the ERC vide order dated 29.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 6th Meeting, 2026 held online on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely Mata Sita Sunder College of Education, Sitamarhi, Bihar, affiliated with B.R.A. Bihar University, Muzaffarpur, wherein the appeal pertains to deficiencies relating to multidisciplinary status, collaboration, land and infrastructure, statutory approvals, and regulatory compliance as recorded by the concerned Regional Committee. The appellant institution submitted that it has transitioned into a Multidisciplinary Higher Education Institution in terms of the NCTE Guidelines, May 2025, through a formal collaboration with Urmila Devi Sadanand Yadav Gurukul Degree College, evidenced by a Memorandum of Understanding dated 11.06.2025, duly approved by the Registrar, B.R.A. Bihar University, Muzaffarpur vide reference dated 05.01.2026. It was further submitted that both institutions are affiliated to the same University and are located within a distance of approximately 8.86 km, supported by survey certification and geographical coordinates. The institution submitted that the collaborating college offers undergraduate programmes in B.A., B.Sc., and B.Com., and does not have a teacher education department, and that the collaboration is exclusive for multidisciplinary integration. It was further submitted that the need for establishment of ITEP in Sitamarhi

district is supported by observations of the affiliating University and State Government notifications, and a receipt from the Bihar Education Department has been enclosed in this regard. With regard to address discrepancy, the appellant submitted that the variation was due to clerical error and clarified the correct address consistent with existing recognition orders, supported by affidavit and revised land documents. It was further submitted that the sponsoring trust operates on a not-for-profit basis, supported by trust deed and certification from the Sub-Registrar. The appellant institution submitted that an authorization letter on non-judicial stamp paper, duly notarized, has been furnished. It was further submitted that no admissions have been made in the proposed ITEP programme as it is at pre-recognition stage, and details of existing programmes have been provided along with an affidavit. Regarding land and infrastructure, the appellant submitted that a revised mutation certificate has been furnished, and additional contiguous land measuring approximately 0.62 acres has been earmarked, increasing total land to approximately 1.62 acres (6624.53 sq. mtrs.), supported by trust resolution, sale deeds, and measurement reports. It was further submitted that the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate dated 05.01.2026 has been obtained confirming that the land is free from encumbrances. The institution submitted that the built-up area has been expanded to 7555.11 sq. mtrs. through vertical additions, supported by Building Completion Certificate. It was further submitted that Fire Safety Certificate and Building Safety Certificate issued by competent authorities have been obtained, and that the campus is barrier-free with necessary facilities, certified by a registered architect in compliance with applicable norms. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 29.01.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the State Government, documents relating to collaboration/multidisciplinary integration approved by the affiliating university, and land-related particulars/documents. The institution further submitted approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate (BCC) and details regarding built-up area and infrastructural availability for the teacher education programme(s).

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the

NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle

enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in *Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016*, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 and remand the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly

authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Mata Sita Sunder College of Education, Plot No. 1706, 1707, 1708, 1741, Village - Dhanhara, Manik Chowk, Gadha Bajpati Road, Runni Saidpur, Sitamarhi, Bihar -843323.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Govt. of Bihar Vikash Bhawan, Ground Floor, Near New Sachibalay, Bailey Road, Secretariat (Near New Sachibalay), Bihar 800 015.



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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

**एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-132/E-378182/2025 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLERC202515258 –**

Salesian College, Plot No.104, 106, Don Bosco Complex, Street/Road- Sevoke Road, Taluka/Mandal-Rajganj, District- Siliguri, West Bengal-734001.	<u>Vs</u>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Salesian College, Plot No.104, 106, Don Bosco Complex, Street/Road-Sevoke Road, Taluka/Mandal-Rajganj, District- Siliguri, West Bengal- 734001** dated 19.07.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/ERC/2526202405132805/WEST BENGAL/2024/REJC/1091** dated 26.10.2024 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "As per Appeal Report - Non submission of requisite documents within the stipulated time"

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

No one from **Salesian College, Plot No.104, 106, Don Bosco Complex, Street/Road-Sevoke Road, Taluka/Mandal-Rajganj, District- Siliguri, West Bengal- 734001** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "Due to persistent technical problems we could not upload the required pending documents on the NCTE Portal."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

The Appeal Committee noted that the instant matter was placed in its 4th Meeting held on 15.04.2025 before the Appeal Committee and decided to remand back the case vide order dated 08.05.2025. The operative part of the order is as under: -

"The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had submitted an application to the Western Regional Committee for grant of recognition for seeking permission for running the ITEP course on 18.05.2024. The recognition of the institution was refused by the ERC vide order dt. 26.10.2024.

The instant matter was placed in its 2nd Meeting, 2025 held on 19.02.2025. 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 and the institution was required to submit the documents mentioned therein.

The instant matter was placed in its 4th Meeting held on 15.04.2025 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee during online hearing noted that the Appellant Institution in addition to the submissions and explanation given in the appeal report, it has claimed that it is NAAC A grade institution which entitles it to secure 6 points, multi-disciplinary course running for more than 30 years i.e. 4 points.

In view of the above the Appeal Committee, after perusing the documents which were made available on records, noted that there is strength in the submission of the appellant institution and as such, the Appeal Committee is of the view that the institution successfully secured 10 points. Therefore, instant appeal deserves to be allowed after setting aside the order dated 26.10.2024 passed by ERC, NCTE.

Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, the Appeal Committee decided to remand back the case to ERC, NCTE with a direction to revisit the documents submitted by the institution and take decision accordingly on the basis of scrutiny of the documents and recalculation of shortlisting criteria points and take further necessary action accordingly as per NCTE Act, Rules & Regulations as applicable.

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 remand back the case after setting aside the order dt. 26.10.2024 to ERC, NCTE with a direction to revisit the documents submitted by the institution and take decision accordingly on the basis of scrutiny of the documents and recalculation of shortlisting criteria points and take further necessary action accordingly as per NCTE Act, Rules & Regulations as applicable. The Appellant is directed to forward to the ERC, the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of order of the Appeal."

The instant matter placed before the Appeal Committee in the present Meeting. The Appeal Committee observed that in terms of Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and settled principles of administrative law, an appeal once finally decided cannot be reopened in the absence of a new decision by the competent authority.

The Appeal Committee, in view of the above, holds that the instant appeal is not maintainable and has rendered infructuous, as the subject matter stands conclusively decided by the Appeal Committee vide order dated 08.05.2025. The Committee finds no legal basis to re-examine the matter, and no violation of principles of natural justice or procedural fairness is made out.

IV. DECISION: -

After perusal of Appeal Report, documents on record Appeal Committee as per extant appeal rules and after due consideration of the entire record, decided that the present appeal is not maintainable and stands rejected as infructuous. The earlier appellate order dated 08.05.2025 shall continue to operate and remain in force.

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, Salesian College, Plot No.104, 106, Don Bosco Complex, Street/Road-Sevoke Road, Taluka/Mandal-Rajganj, District- Siliguri, West Bengal-734001.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.**

3. The Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake City, (5th, 6th, 8th, 10th Floor) Kolkata, West Bengal-700 091.



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एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-134/E-406068/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202615595

Bhagwati Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 379/1, Village-Gangapur City, Chuli Gate, Mirzapur Road, District-Swai Mahopur, Rajasthan-322201.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sh. Krishna Kant Sharma, Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Bhagwati Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 379/1, Village-Gangapur City, Chuli Gate, Mirzapur Road, District-Swai Mahopur, Rajasthan-322201** dated 17.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/ 2627202509172720/ RAJASTHAN/2025/REJC/407** dated 09.04.2026 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "1. The proposal for Merger between the institutions has not been approved by their affiliating university, as required under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. 2. The institution has not uploaded the certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area, as required under Clause 4.3(i) of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into Multidisciplinary Institutions. 3. The institution has not uploaded the 'Fresh certificate of merger' issued by the Registrar of Societies as required under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines for transforming into multidisciplinary higher education institutions. 4. Committee noted that, College Khasra Numbers/plot numbers and other things are not mentioned in the Uploaded building safety certificate no. 1444 issued on dated 04/09/2024. 5. Committee noted that, the name of the institution does not appear at the latitude and longitude coordinates provided in the online portal. 6. The institution has not updated and maintained the website <HTTPS://BVS.IN/> of institution in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. 7. The name of applicant College is not reflected on any part of building in the geotagged photo uploaded. 8. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the seating capacity of Library reading room is not sufficient as per NCTE norms. 9. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the furniture in the multipurpose hall is inadequate. 10. The geotagged photographs uploaded show that the college does not have adequate playgrounds and sports facility. 11. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) as per Rajasthan Urban Arese (Permission for use of Agricultural Land for Non-Agricultural Purposes and Allotment) Rules, 2012 in Form-II of Rule 7(1) while mentioning all Khasra/Plot/Survey No. issued by Competent Government Authority. 12. Committee noted that, The Fire Safety Certificate is not issued to institution. the institution has not uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Rajasthan verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan at URL https://sso.rajasthan.gov.in/track_application.aspx. 13. It cannot be ascertained from the bank statement uploaded by the institution that salary is being paid as per the Central/State

Government pay scale. The institution has not been able to prove/confirm whether the institution is paying salaries to the teaching staff as per Central/State Govt norms. 14. The uploaded building plan is not proper. 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.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Krishna Kant Sharma, Principal of Bhagwati Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 379/1, Village-Gangapur City, Chuli Gate, Mirzapur Road, District-Swai Mahopur, Rajasthan-322201 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the affiliating university has already granted the necessary approvals for the proposed merger. The Memorandum of Merger (MoM) has been approved vide Letter No. F.50/Acad./UOK/2026/11438 dated 05.03.2026. Further, permission for the merger has been accorded vide Letter No. F.50/Acad./UOK/2026/11439-11445 dated 05.03.2026. Additionally, the institutions have been confirmed to be situated on the same campus vide Letter No. F.50/Acad./UOK/2025/2815 dated 31.05.2025. The above-mentioned letters have already been submitted along with the SCN reply. In view of the above, the requirement under Clause 4.3(a) of the NCTE Guidelines stands duly complied with. It is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 2. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the Certificate issued by the Government of Rajasthan justifying the requirement for a teacher education programme in the area has already been obtained and submitted. The said Requirement Certificate has been issued by the Government of Rajasthan vide: -24 (ITEP)/.../2026, digitally signed on 13.03.2026. A copy of the certificate has already been shared with your office by the Government as well. Further, the institution has duly submitted the soft copy of the certificate via email dated 14.03.2026 (copy enclosed). In addition, the hard copy has also been submitted through official correspondence vide Letter No. 3265/25-26 dated 06.04.2026. It is also submitted that earlier, in the online reply, the institution had mentioned that being a multidisciplinary higher education institution since inception, the requirement under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines was considered not applicable at that stage. However, upon receipt of the SCN, the institution proactively applied to the Government of Rajasthan and obtained the requisite certificate. In view of the above, the requirement under Clause 4.3(j) of the NCTE Guidelines stands duly complied with. It is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 3. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that both the

institutions are being run by the same society. Therefore, at the time of submission of the application, the requirement of a "Fresh Certificate of Merger" was not considered applicable, as Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines pertains to the merger of institutions run by different managements. However, upon receipt of the observation and as a matter of abundant compliance, a special request was made to the Registrar of Societies for issuance of the said certificate. Accordingly, the Registrar of Societies has issued the "Fresh Certificate of Merger" vide Letter No. Sp-1 dated 03.02.2025, which is attached herewith. In view of the above, the requirement under Clause 4.2.2 of the NCTE Guidelines stands complied with. It is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 4. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the Building Safety Certificate No. 1444 dated 04.09.2024 was issued by the competent authority in the prescribed format. However, the omission of specific details such as Khasra numbers/plot numbers in the said certificate appears to be inadvertent. To address the observation of the Hon'ble Committee, the institution has taken up the matter with the issuing authority for incorporation of the required details. Accordingly, a revised/clarified Building Safety Certificate mentioning the Khasra numbers/plot numbers and other requisite particulars has been obtained/submitted herewith. In view of the above, it is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 5. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the latitude and longitude coordinates were initially entered on the portal using a mobile application for indicative purposes. Subsequently, upon verification of institutional records, an authenticated document bearing GIS Application ID: 3038744 has been traced, which reflects the coordinates as Latitude: 26.470149 and Longitude: 76.717623 (copy attached). It is further submitted that the coordinates earlier entered manually have only a minor variation in the last few decimal digits, which may have led to the discrepancy observed. The corrected and verified coordinates are now being submitted for your kind consideration. In view of the above, it is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 6. The institution had already updated its website prior to submission of the final SCN reply, ensuring full compliance with the provisions of Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14), and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time). All mandatory disclosures and requisite information are duly available on the website. 7. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the geotagged photograph uploaded earlier may not have clearly captured/displayed the name of the applicant college on the building. However, the institution confirms that proper signage displaying the name of the college is duly installed at prominent locations on the building premises. The omission appears to be due to the angle/coverage of the photograph at the time of uploading. To address the observation, fresh geotagged photographs clearly showing the name of the institution on the building have been uploaded/submitted herewith. In view of the above, it is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 8. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that as per the requirements

of the Final SCN, only the front and rear view of the library were specifically asked for and accordingly the same were submitted. However, it is clarified that the institution has a separate, well-equipped Reading Room with a seating capacity of 150 students, which is in conformity with the prescribed NCTE norms. The seating arrangement in the reading room fully meets the required standards. The geotagged photographs uploaded earlier may not have reflected the complete seating capacity, as they were limited to the specified views of the library only. To address the observation, additional photographs/details of the Reading Room indicating adequate seating capacity are being submitted herewith. In view of the above, it is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 9. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that at the time when the earlier geotagged photograph was taken, certain indoor activities were being conducted in the multipurpose hall. Accordingly, a number of chairs had been temporarily placed outside the hall for use during the activity, which may have led to the impression of inadequate furniture. However, the institution confirms that the multipurpose hall is adequately furnished in accordance with the prescribed norms. To address the observation, fresh geotagged photographs clearly showing the availability of adequate furniture in the multipurpose hall are being submitted herewith. In view of the above, it is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record. 10. The institution has sufficient playground area and requisite sports facilities in accordance with the prescribed NCTE norms. The apparent inadequacy in the photographs is due to limited coverage/angle at the time of capturing the images. It is further submitted that the institution provides adequate space and infrastructure for both indoor and outdoor sports activities for students. To address the observation, additional geotagged photographs clearly depicting the available playground area and sports facilities are being submitted herewith. 11. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the Land Use Certificate (CLU) was issued by the competent department vide Certificate No. 3723 dated 06.02.2017, containing all the required particulars, including the relevant Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers. 12. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the institution has duly obtained the Fire Safety Certificate from the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan. The certificate has been issued vide Certificate No. 66292 dated 16.03.2026 through the official portal of the department and is verifiable online. The soft copy of said certificate has already been shared with your office via email dated 17.03.2026 (copy enclosed). In addition, the hard copy has also been submitted vide Letter No. 3265/25-26 dated 06.04.2026. In view of the above, it is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record and the requirement be treated as complied with. 13. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the bank statements uploaded earlier were intended to reflect the disbursement of salaries however, they may not have explicitly indicated the pay structure in terms of State Government pay scales. The institution confirms that salaries to the teaching staff are being paid strictly in accordance with the prescribed

State Government norms. The pay structure, including basic pay and applicable allowances, is duly followed as per the relevant guidelines. 14. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted that the building plan uploaded earlier was duly approved by the Competent Authority and was already reflecting the required particulars. The plan indicated the details in the name of Block A and Block B, where separate courses are being conducted, along with the relevant Khasra/Plot/Survey Numbers, total land area, and built-up area. The earmarked and demarcated built-up area for each course, including the teacher education programme and other multidisciplinary programmes, was accordingly depicted block-wise in the plan. In view of the above, it is requested that the same may kindly be taken on record and the requirement be treated as complied with. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 and applicable Guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of verification by the competent authorities. The institution further submitted that approvals for merger/collaboration and multidisciplinary status had been obtained from the affiliating university and the State Government, along with a fresh merger certificate issued by the Registrar of Societies. It was also submitted that the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the State Government had been furnished in support of the teacher education programme in the area. The institution stated that updated Building Safety Certificate, Fire Safety Certificate, CLU, approved building plan, salary records through banking channels and updated website disclosures had been submitted. Further, the institution submitted that geotagged photographs reflecting the college name, library/reading room, multipurpose hall, playground and sports facilities had been uploaded, and latitude-longitude details of the institution had been clarified through authenticated records.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 04.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 09.04.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 6th Meeting, 2026 held online on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein it has submitted that the affiliating University has granted approval for the proposed merger vide Letter No. F.50/Acad./UOK/2026/11438 dated 05.03.2026, along with permission for merger vide Letter No. F.50/Acad./UOK/2026/11439-11445 dated 05.03.2026, and confirmation that both institutions are situated on the same campus vide Letter No. F.50/Acad./UOK/2025/2815 dated 31.05.2025. The institution submitted that these documents had already been furnished with the reply to the Show Cause Notice. The appellant institution further submitted that the Requirement Certificate for establishment of teacher education programme has been issued by the Government of Rajasthan vide letter dated 13.03.2026, and copies thereof were submitted through email dated 14.03.2026 and official correspondence dated 06.04.2026. It was also submitted that, upon receipt of the Show Cause Notice, the institution obtained the requisite certificate in compliance with the applicable guidelines. It was submitted that both institutions are run by the same society and, as a matter of compliance, a Fresh Certificate of Merger has been obtained from the Registrar of Societies vide Letter No. Sp-1 dated 03.02.2025. The institution further submitted that a revised Building Safety Certificate incorporating Khasra/plot details has been obtained from the competent authority to address earlier omissions. The appellant institution submitted that corrected latitude and longitude coordinates have been furnished based on authenticated GIS records, and that the institutional website has been updated in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). It was also submitted that fresh geotagged photographs have been provided to address observations relating to display of institutional name, library and reading room seating capacity, multipurpose hall furniture, playground, and sports facilities. The institution further submitted that the Land Use Certificate issued by the competent authority contains all relevant particulars, and that the Fire Safety Certificate has been obtained from the Fire Department, Government of Rajasthan vide Certificate No. 66292 dated 16.03.2026, with copies furnished through email and official correspondence. It was also submitted that salaries to teaching staff are being paid as per State Government norms, and that the building plan approved by the competent authority reflects block-wise allocation of land and built-up area, including earmarking for teacher education and other

programmes. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, NCTE Regulations, 2014 and applicable Guidelines. In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted/uploaded before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and verifiable by the competent authorities. The institution further submitted that merger/collaboration approvals from the affiliating university, State Government and Registrar of Societies had been obtained in compliance with multidisciplinary requirements. It was also submitted that the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the State Government had been furnished. The institution stated that the Building Safety Certificate, Fire Safety Certificate, CLU, approved building plan and updated website had been submitted. Further, the institution submitted that salary payment records through banking channels, geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities and authenticated location details had been furnished in support of compliance.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory

authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 09.04.2026 and remand the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant

institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 09.04.2026 and remands the matter to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Bhagwati Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya, Khasra No. 379/1, Village-Gangapur City, Chuli Gate, Mirzapur Road, District-Swai Mahopur, Rajasthan-322201.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.

3. The 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.



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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-138/E-406129/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLSRC202615608 -

Raju College of Education, Plot No. 51/142-5, Village - Rayachoty, Madanapalli Road, Taluka/Mandal-Annamayya, District-Ananatpur, Andhra Pradesh-516269.	<u>Vs</u>	Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sri Muddaluru Amareswara Raju, Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of **Raju College of Education, Plot No. 51/142-5, Village - Rayachoty, Madanapalli Road, Taluka/Mandal-Annamayya, District-Ananatpur, Andhra Pradesh-516269** dated 22.04.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. SRCAPP14086/B.Ed./488th Meeting/AP/2026/152760-152764** dated 25.02.2026 of the Southern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. Course on the grounds that "1. A Show Cause Notice dated 04.08.2023 on the ground of 13 points was issued to the institution in order to ascertain the compliance of NCTE Regulations, 2014. 2. No response was received from the institution within the stipulated time. 3. Again the Final Show Notice was issued on 22.08.2024 on the same grounds. 4. No response to the Final Show Cause Notice received till date."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sri. Muddaluru Amareswara Raju, Principal of Raju College of Education, Plot No. 51/142-5, Village - Rayachoty, Madanapalli Road, Taluka/Mandal-Annamayya, District-Ananatpur, Andhra Pradesh-516269 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "It is most respectfully submitted that the decision of withdrawal of Recognition is based on wrong and incorrect facts i.e., the institution has time and again complied with all the norms and regulations of NCTE Act. It is pertinent to mention that the recognition of the institution was withdrawn in 488th Meeting of SRC despite having submitted all the documents on 2 occasions, as requisite under the Show Cause Notices received. The institution duly submitted all the documents however the same have not been considered whereas the copy of the same is submitted again for kind consideration. The proof of submission of documents with the office of SRC is also attached herewith for consideration please. The institution has duly replied to the Show Cause Notices and complied with all the directions. It is pertinent to mention that due to wrong and arbitrary decision of SRC. The institution which is running successfully since 2016, great hardship is caused to it. The institution has all the requisite documents and permissions as per NCTE Act & Regulations. The documents as mentioned in the Show Cause Notices are submitted herewith for your kind perusal please. The institution urges for reversing/setting aside the Withdrawal order as the same is passed on the grounds mentioned above and requests to for an early action in this regard. The institution with folded hand and utmost respects prays that the withdrawal order as passed by the SRC be set aside and reversed in the interest of justice as the SRC

has failed to appreciate the correct facts and documents available on record. That our institution has a good reputation all over the country and is imparting quality education since past so many years. You are requested to kindly take early action in this regard and consider the present appeal and restore the recognition of the institution.”

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for B.Ed. course of two-year duration with an annual intake of 50 students vide order dated 02.05.2016. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the SRC vide order dated 25.02.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 6th Meeting, 2026 held online on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein it has submitted that the withdrawal of recognition by the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) is based on incorrect and erroneous facts, and that the institution has consistently complied with the requirements of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the Regulations framed thereunder. The appellant has stated that it had submitted replies along with requisite documents on two occasions in response to the Show Cause Notices, and that such submissions were not duly considered by the SRC. It has further submitted that documentary proof evidencing submission of replies before the SRC has been placed on record along with the appeal. The institution has contended that it has complied with all directions issued under the Show Cause Notices and possesses all requisite permissions and documents as required under the NCTE Act and Regulations. It has further submitted that it has been functioning since 2016 and has been imparting education, and that the withdrawal order has caused hardship to the institution. The appellant has reiterated that all documents as required under the Show Cause Notices have been furnished again for

consideration at the appellate stage. The appellant institution has prayed for setting aside the withdrawal order passed by the SRC and for restoration of recognition, stating that the impugned order has been passed without proper appreciation of the facts and documents available on record.

The Appeal Committee considered the Appeal Report, the documents placed on record and upon exhaustive, independent, and objective scrutiny of the entire material available on record, and in strict exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, after conscious and reasoned application of mind, finds that the appellant institution has unequivocally failed to discharge the statutory onus cast upon it to establish, by cogent, credible, authentic, and legally sustainable documentary evidence, fulfillment of the mandatory and threshold recognition standards prescribed under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee finds that the material produced is manifestly deficient, legally inadequate, and incapable of demonstrating substantive, verifiable, and continuous compliance with the binding statutory framework governing grant or restoration of recognition. The Appeal Committee further holds that in the absence of strict and demonstrable adherence to the regulatory regime, no vested, accrued, equitable, or enforceable right can be asserted by the appellant institution under the NCTE Act, 1993. The Appeal Committee, therefore, proceeds to record the following findings: -

- (i) The Appeal Committee observes that no proper and substantive reply to the Show Cause Notice (SCN) and Final Show Cause Notice (FSCN) issued by the Southern Regional Committee within the stipulated period has been placed on record, as required under the applicable provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The material available on record does not include legally tenable documentary proof of dispatch/service, such as Speed Post/Registered Post receipts, nor has any cogent justification been furnished in this regard. Even at the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, complete and legally sustainable material demonstrating compliance with the prescribed norms and standards has not been produced.
- (ii) The Appeal Committee further observes that documentary evidence demonstrating continuation of duly qualified and approved teaching and non-teaching staff, including approval of appointments by the concerned Affiliating University/Competent Authority and proof of continuation of service, has not been placed on record. The faculty list submitted is neither in the prescribed NCTE Staff Profile Format nor duly approved by the competent affiliating authority and is not accompanied by documentary proof of educational and professional qualifications of faculty members. In the absence of verified and duly approved faculty, compliance with the mandatory staffing requirements prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014

remains unsubstantiated, the same being an essential requirement for recognition of teacher education programmes.

- (iii) The Appeal Committee further notes that compliance with the requirement of payment of salary to teaching and non-teaching staff through banking channels, as envisaged under the NCTE Regulations, 2014 and applicable Norms and Standards, has not been established. No satisfactory documentary evidence, including bank-certified salary disbursement statements for a reasonable period, evidencing regular payment of salary to duly appointed staff, has been placed on record.

The Appeal Committee, upon comprehensive, independent, and objective consideration of the entire material available on record, finds that the impugned order does not suffer from any procedural infirmity, perversity, non-consideration of relevant material, arbitrariness, or violation of the principles of natural justice. The record unequivocally demonstrates that the Show Cause Notice and the Final Show Cause Notice were duly issued; reasonable, adequate, and meaningful opportunity was afforded to the applicant institution to submit its reply together with supporting documentary evidence; and the deficiencies were expressly articulated, specifically identified, and formally communicated. The grounds of withdrawal pertain to essential and mandatory statutory requirements governing infrastructural adequacy, instructional sufficiency, availability of duly qualified and approved faculty, and overall regulatory compliance under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The deficiencies recorded are substantive and foundational in character, striking at the very root of eligibility for grant or restoration of recognition. They cannot be trivialized as technical irregularities nor cured by post facto explanations unsupported by contemporaneous, verifiable compliance. The Appeal Committee further holds that restoration of recognition, once lawfully withdrawn, can be contemplated only upon strict, demonstrable, and contemporaneous compliance with the statutory framework as existing at the time of consideration. An applicant institution does not acquire any vested, accrued, or equitable right merely by submitting a representation bereft of credible and legally sustainable proof of compliance or demonstrable readiness to lawfully conduct the programme. Recognition under the NCTE Act, 1993 is regulatory, conditional, and contingent upon continuous adherence to statutory norms, and cannot be claimed as a matter of entitlement in the absence of proven compliance. In the present case, despite adequate and repeated opportunities afforded by the concerned Regional Committee as well as by the Appeal Committee, the applicant institution has failed to establish fulfillment of the mandatory requirements prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993 and the Regulations framed thereunder. Accordingly, no ground for appellate interference is made out, and the impugned order warrants confirmation.

Noting the submissions contained in the Appeal Report, the documents available on record, and the arguments advanced during the online hearing, the Appeal Committee, upon independent, objective, and comprehensive consideration of the entire material on record, holds that the appellant institution continues to remain in material, substantive, and continuing non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee finds that the deficiencies identified are fundamental in character and go to the very threshold of eligibility for restoration and continuation of recognition. Such non-fulfilment of essential statutory conditions cannot be construed as technical, procedural, or rectifiable irregularities; rather, they constitute failure to satisfy the binding and non-derogable regulatory framework governing grant and continuation of recognition for teacher education programmes. The Appeal Committee further holds that the Southern Regional Committee acted strictly within the confines of its statutory jurisdiction and in faithful discharge of its regulatory mandate. The action impugned is neither arbitrary nor procedurally flawed, but is firmly anchored in the applicable statutory provisions. Accordingly, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the Appeal Committee finds no legal, factual, or procedural infirmity warranting appellate interference; the impugned order dated 25.02.2026 is hereby confirmed, and the appeal stands rejected.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, concluded that the SRC was justified in withdrawing the recognition and decided that the instant appeal deserves to be rejected and therefore, the impugned order dated 25.02.2026 issued by SRC is confirmed. The appeal is accordingly dismissed, and no further relief is granted to the appellant institution.

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, Raju College of Education, Plot No. 51/142-5, Village - Rayachoty, Madanapalli Road, Taluka/Mandal-Annamayya, District-Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh-516269.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.**

3. The 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, 3rd Floor, Room No. 312, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Hyderabad-500022.



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)
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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

**एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-99/E-400264/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLNRC202615551**

Khalsa College for Women Amritsar, Khasra No. 210, 208, 206, 207, 205, 216, 202, 203, 220, G. T. Road, Amritsar, GPO Head Post Office, Western Block, Amritsar, Punjab – 143001. APPELLANT	<u>Vs</u>	Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075. RESPONDENT
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Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Khalsa College for Women Amritsar, Khasra No. 210, 208, 206, 207, 205, 216, 202, 203, 220, G. T. Road, Amritsar, GPO Head Post Office, Western Block, Amritsar, Punjab - 143001** dated 18.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/NRC/2526202404232221/PUNJAB/2024/REJC/639** dated 24.01.2026 of the Northern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "The institution has uploaded a list of faculty appointed by it comprising of 1 Principal, 2 Associate Professors, 4 Assistant Professors and 3 Assistant Professors on Part time basis for Art Education, Health and Physical Education, Career Guidance and Counselling. However, the institution has not appointed 3 Assistant Professors for teaching history, Geography, Political Science and 2 Professors for Educational Studies as per NCTE Regulations 2014 as amended as 26.10.2021"

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

No one from Khalsa College for Women Amritsar, Khasra No. 210, 208, 206, 207, 205, 216, 202, 203, 220, G. T. Road, Amritsar, GPO Head Post Office, Western Block, Amritsar, Punjab - 143001 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 16.05.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "With reference to the Letter of Intent (LOI) issued by the Hon'ble Northern Regional Committee, NCTE, it is respectfully submitted that the institution has duly advertised the post of Assistant Professors in History, Geography, and Political Science on 18.11.2025 in leading newspapers (annexure-1). However, no applications were received in response to the said advertisement. Consequently, the institution re-advertised the aforesaid posts on 30.12.2025 (Annexure-2) however, no applications were again received in response. In continuation of sincere efforts to fulfil the staffing requirements as per NCTE norms, the institution once again advertised the said posts on 10.02.2026 (annexure-3) and has now appointed Assistant Professors in History, Geography, and Political Science. It is further submitted that two Associate Professors in Educational Studies (Psychology and Philosophy) have already been appointed (Annexure-4), and their details were included in the list of faculty submitted after receiving the LOI (28-10-2025). An updated copy of the list of faculty is attached (annexure-5) for your kind reference and consideration."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 18.05.2024. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the NRC vide order dated 24.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 4th Meeting, 2026 held online on 26th February 2026 & 6th Meeting, 2026 held on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein it has submitted that "with reference to the Letter of Intent (LOI) issued by the Hon'ble Northern Regional Committee, NCTE, it is respectfully submitted that the institution has duly advertised the post of Assistant Professors in History, Geography, and Political Science on 18.11.2025 in leading newspapers (annexure-1). However, no applications were received in response to the said advertisement. Consequently, the institution re-advertised the aforesaid posts on 30.12.2025 (Annexure-2) however, no applications were again received in response. In continuation of sincere efforts to fulfil the staffing requirements as per NCTE norms, the institution once again advertised the said posts on 10.02.2026 (annexure-3) and has now appointed Assistant Professors in History, Geography, and Political Science. It is further submitted that two Associate Professors in Educational Studies (Psychology and Philosophy) have already been appointed (Annexure-4), and their details were included in the list of faculty submitted after receiving the LOI (28-10-2025). An updated copy of the list of faculty is attached (annexure-5) for your kind reference and consideration."

The Appeal Committee considered the above-submissions in light of the statutory framework governing recognition of teacher education institutions under the National Council

for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended by the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Amendment Regulations, 2021. The Appeal Committee on examination of the entire material available on record, finds that the appellant institution has failed to establish compliance with the threshold eligibility conditions and mandatory standards prescribed under the said Regulations. The Appeal Committee further holds that in the absence of demonstrable and verifiable compliance with the mandatory regulatory requirements, no right - vested, accrued, or equitable - can be claimed by the appellant institution under the NCTE Act, 1993. The Appeal Committee, therefore, records the following findings: -

- (i) The record indicates non-submission of the latest approved teaching staff list in the prescribed format as required under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended on 26.10.2021. The Northern Regional Committee had specifically observed non-availability of the mandatory faculty, particularly 03 Assistant Professors for Pedagogy/Curricular subjects including History, Geography and Political Science, and 02 faculty members for Educational Studies, as prescribed under the applicable Norms & Standards. The material placed on record does not establish appointment of duly qualified and approved faculty in conformity with the statutory requirements, nor has complete, verifiable and legally sustainable documentary evidence been placed on record to demonstrate compliance with the mandatory faculty norms governing teacher education programmes.

The Appeal Committee, also upon comprehensive and independent consideration of the material available on record, finds that the impugned order does not suffer from any procedural infirmity, non-consideration of relevant material, or violation of the principles of natural justice. The record clearly establishes that the reasonable and adequate opportunity was afforded to the applicant institution to furnish its reply and supporting documents; and the deficiencies were specifically identified and communicated. The grounds of refusal pertain to essential statutory requirements governing eligibility, infrastructural adequacy, and regulatory compliance under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The deficiencies identified are substantive and foundational in nature and relate to threshold conditions for grant of recognition. They cannot be treated as technical irregularities capable of post facto rectification by explanation. It is settled that grant of recognition under the NCTE Act, 1993 is not automatic upon submission of an application. Recognition is conditional upon strict and demonstrable compliance with the statutory framework at the time of consideration. An applicant institution does not acquire any vested, accrued, or equitable right merely by applying for recognition. In the present case, despite adequate opportunity granted by the concerned Regional Committee as well as by the Appeal Committee, the applicant has failed to establish fulfillment of the mandatory requirements prescribed under

the Act and the Regulations framed thereunder. Accordingly, no interference with the impugned refusal order is warranted.

Noting the submissions contained in the Appeal Report, the documents available on record, and the arguments advanced during the online hearing, the Appeal Committee, upon independent, objective, and comprehensive consideration of the entire material, holds that the appellant institution continues to remain in material and substantive non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended by the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Amendment Regulations, 2021. The Appeal Committee finds that the deficiencies identified are fundamental in nature and strike at the very threshold of eligibility for grant of recognition. Such non-fulfillment of essential statutory conditions cannot be treated as technical or rectifiable irregularities but constitutes failure to satisfy the binding regulatory framework governing recognition of teacher education programmes. The Appeal Committee further holds that the Northern Regional Committee acted strictly within the ambit of its statutory jurisdiction and was fully justified in refusing recognition for the ITEP programme. Accordingly, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the Appeal Committee finds no legal, factual, or procedural infirmity warranting interference, and the impugned order dated 24.01.2026 is hereby confirmed, and the appeal stands rejected.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, concluded that the NRC was justified in refusing recognition, and no ground is made out for interference under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993 and decided that the instant appeal deserves to be rejected and therefore, the impugned refusal order dated 24.01.2026 issued by NRC is confirmed.

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, Khalsa College for Women Amritsar, Khasra No. 210, 208, 206, 207, 205, 216, 202, 203, 220, G. T. Road, Amritsar, GPO Head Post Office, Western Block, Amritsar, Punjab - 143001.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.**

3. The 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, 5th Floor, Phase-VIII, SAS Nagar (Mohali)-Punjab-160062.



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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

**एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-102/E-401395/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLWRC202515400-**

Gracious College of Education, Khasra No. 545, Belbhata Abhanpur, Raipur, Chhattisgarh – 493661.	<u>Vs</u>	Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Gracious College of Education, Khasra No. 545, Belbhata Abhanpur, Raipur, Chhattisgarh – 493661** dated 05.10.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/WRC/2627202505144483/CHATTISGARH/2025/REJC/1888** dated 06.08.2025 of the Western Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP Course on the grounds that "1. The institution has not uploaded details of affiliation body with supporting document. 2. The institution has not uploaded Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by Competent Authority of State Government. 3. The institution has not uploaded all the details of all Society/ Trust/ Company Members Information issued by Competent Authority of State Government. 4. The institution has not uploaded initial and latest affiliation orders issued by the Affiliating University for all multi-disciplinary programmes. 5. The institution has not uploaded revised and complete recognition order for B.Ed. course issued by WRC, NCTE. 6. The institution has not uploaded the details of students admitted by it along with supporting documents. 7. The institution has not uploaded certified land documents clearly mentioning all the Khasra Nos. issued by Competent Authority of State Government and the building is situated on a single plot. 8. The institution has not uploaded Mutation Certificate issued by Competent Authority of State Government. 9. The institution has not uploaded Land Use Certificate (CLU) mentioning all Khasra Nos. issued by Competent Government Authority. 10. The institution has not uploaded latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by Competent Authority of State Government. 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 Building Safety Certificate in adherence of safety guidelines as prescribed by National/State Disaster Management Authority issued by Competent Government Authority. 13. The institution has not uploaded Fire Safety Certificate issued by Fire Safety Department, Government of Chhattisgarh verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Chhattisgarh at URL https://firenoc.cg.gov.in/Track_Application.aspx. 14. 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. 15. The website of institution has not been updated and maintained in compliance to provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 as amended from time to time. 16. The institution has not uploaded geotag

photos with different angles of Lift, Ramp, Electricity, Safe Drinking Water and Accessible Toilet indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph. 17. The institution has not uploaded geo tag photos with different angles of front view, rear view, multipurpose hall, library, lab 1, lab 2, lab 3 and playground indicating the longitude and latitude with date of photograph.1.”

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

No one from Gracious College of Education, Khasra No. 545, Belbhata Abhanpur, Raipur, Chhattisgarh – 493661 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 16.05.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “1. The institution has uploaded the details of the affiliation body along with the supporting document. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 2. The institution has uploaded the Not-for-Profit Certificate issued by the Competent Authority of the State Government. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 3. The institution has uploaded the complete details of all Society/Trust/Company Members’ Information, duly issued/attested by the Competent Authority of the State Government. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 4. The institution has uploaded the initial and latest affiliation orders issued by the Affiliating University for all multi-disciplinary programmes. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 5. The institution has uploaded the revised and complete recognition order for the B.Ed. course issued by WRC, NCTE. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 6. The institution has uploaded the details of students admitted along with the supporting documents. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 7. The institution has uploaded the certified land documents, clearly mentioning all the Khasra Numbers, issued by the Competent Authority of the State Government, confirming that the building is situated on a single plot. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 8. The institution has uploaded the Mutation Certificate issued by the Competent Authority of the State Government. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 9. The institution has uploaded the Land Use Certificate (CLU) mentioning all Khasra Numbers, issued by the Competent Government Authority. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 10. The institution has uploaded the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by the Competent Authority of the State Government. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 11. The institution has uploaded the 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. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with.-12. The institution has uploaded the 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. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 13. The institution has updated and maintained its website in compliance with the provisions under Clause 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14), and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 14. The institution has uploaded the geotagged photographs of Lift, Ramp, Electricity, Safe Drinking Water, and Accessible Toilet, taken from different angles and clearly indicating the longitude, latitude, and date of each photograph. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 15. The institution has uploaded the geotagged photographs of the front view, rear view, multipurpose hall, library, Lab 1, Lab 2, Lab 3, and playground, taken from different angles and clearly indicating the longitude, latitude, and date of each photograph. Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with. 16. The institution has uploaded the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the Fire Safety Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, which is verifiable on the official portal of the Fire Department, Government of Chhattisgarh at URL: https://firenoc.cg.gov.in/Track_Application.aspx . Consequently, the requirement has been duly complied with."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 27.05.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the WRC vide order dated 06.08.2025.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 5th Meeting, 2026 held online on 30th March, 2026 & 6th Meeting, 2026 held on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein it has submitted that the deficiencies pointed out in the impugned order have been complied with by furnishing requisite documents on record. It has been submitted that details of the affiliating body along with supporting documents, not-for-profit certificate issued by the competent State authority, and complete details of the Society/Trust/Company members duly attested by the competent authority have been uploaded. The appellant has further submitted that initial and latest affiliation orders for all multidisciplinary programmes issued by the affiliating university, revised recognition order for the B.Ed. course issued by WRC, NCTE, and details of admitted students along with supporting documents have been furnished. It has also been submitted that certified land documents indicating all Khasra numbers, Mutation Certificate, Land Use Certificate (CLU), and latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate issued by the competent authority have been uploaded. The institution has submitted that the Building Completion Certificate in the prescribed NCTE format has been furnished for all programmes conducted in the premises and that the institutional website has been updated and maintained in compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The appellant has further submitted that geotagged photographs of infrastructural facilities including lift, ramp, electricity, drinking water, accessible toilets, classrooms, laboratories, multipurpose hall, library, and playground have been uploaded with requisite details, and that the Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority of the State Government has also been furnished and is verifiable on the official portal.

The Appeal Committee considered the above submissions in light of the statutory framework governing recognition of teacher education institutions under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended by the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Amendment Regulations, 2021. The Appeal Committee on examination of the entire material available on record, finds that the appellant institution has failed to establish compliance with the threshold eligibility conditions and mandatory standards prescribed under the said Regulations. The Appeal Committee further holds that in the absence of demonstrable and verifiable compliance with the mandatory regulatory requirements, no right - vested, accrued, or equitable - can be claimed by the appellant institution under the NCTE Act, 1993. The Appeal Committee, therefore, records the following findings: –

- (i) The record indicates that the institution has not furnished the documents/information specifically sought at the appellate stage, including

authenticated and legal documents relating to Not-for-Profit status etc. Further, essential land, building and safety-related documents, viz. certified land documents containing complete Khasra particulars, latest Mutation Certificate, Change of Land Use (CLU), Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), prescribed Building Completion Certificate (BCC), Building Safety Certificate and Fire Safety Certificate issued by the competent authorities, have not been placed on record. The material available does not establish compliance with the requirements prescribed under the NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time.

- (ii) The record further indicates non-maintenance/updation of the institutional website in terms of Clauses 7(14)(i), 8(6), 8(14) and 10(3) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and absence of geo-tagged photographs containing latitude, longitude and date particulars for verification of instructional and infrastructural facilities. Further, a duly approved, legible and authenticated Building Plan, along with programme-wise/floor-wise earmarked land and built-up area statements, including for ITEP, and certified documentary evidence establishing conformity of land and built-up area with prescribed norms for all programmes, have not been furnished. Consequently, the material placed on record does not constitute complete, verifiable and legally sustainable evidence to establish compliance with the mandatory infrastructural and regulatory requirements governing teacher education programme(s).

The Appeal Committee, also upon comprehensive and independent consideration of the material available on record, finds that the impugned order does not suffer from any procedural infirmity, non-consideration of relevant material, or violation of the principles of natural justice. The record clearly establishes that reasonable and adequate opportunity was afforded to the applicant institution to furnish its reply and supporting documents; and the deficiencies were specifically identified and communicated. The grounds of refusal pertain to essential statutory requirements governing eligibility, infrastructural adequacy, and regulatory compliance under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The deficiencies identified are substantive and foundational in nature and relate to threshold conditions for grant of recognition. They cannot be treated as technical irregularities capable of post facto rectification by explanation. It is settled that grant of recognition under the NCTE Act, 1993 is not automatic upon submission of an application. Recognition is conditional upon strict and demonstrable compliance with the statutory framework at the time of consideration. An applicant institution does not acquire any vested, accrued, or equitable right merely by applying for recognition. In the present case, despite adequate opportunity granted by the concerned Regional Committee as well as by the Appeal Committee, the applicant has failed to establish fulfillment of the mandatory requirements prescribed under the Act and the Regulations framed thereunder. Accordingly, no interference with the impugned refusal order is warranted.

Noting the submissions contained in the Appeal Report, the documents available on record, and the arguments advanced during the online hearing, the Appeal Committee, upon

independent, objective, and comprehensive consideration of the entire material, holds that the appellant institution continues to remain in material and substantive non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended by the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Amendment Regulations, 2021. The Appeal Committee finds that the deficiencies identified are fundamental in nature and strike at the very threshold of eligibility for grant of recognition. Such non-fulfillment of essential statutory conditions cannot be treated as technical or rectifiable irregularities but constitutes failure to satisfy the binding regulatory framework governing recognition of teacher education programmes. The Appeal Committee further holds that the Western Regional Committee acted strictly within the ambit of its statutory jurisdiction and was fully justified in refusing recognition for the ITEP programme. Accordingly, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the Appeal Committee finds no legal, factual, or procedural infirmity warranting interference, and the impugned order dated 06.08.2025 is hereby confirmed, and the appeal stands rejected.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, concluded that the WRC was justified in refusing recognition, and no ground is made out for interference under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993 and decided that the instant appeal deserves to be rejected and therefore, the impugned refusal order dated 06.08.2025 issued by WRC is confirmed.

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, Gracious College of Education, Khasra No. 545, Belbhata Abhanpur, Raipur, Chhattisgarh – 493661.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Chhattisgarh, First floor, Mahanadi Bhawan, Nava Raipur Atal Nagar, Chhattisgarh, 492002.



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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-103/E-401400/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLERC202615556 -

Kumri Vivekananda B.Ed. College, Plot No. 2481, 2483, 2494, Vill-Kumri (Mathpara), Post – Gopalpur Ghat, Karimpur to Berhampur Road, Tehatta, Nadia, West Bengal – 741122. APPELLANT	<u>Vs</u>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075. RESPONDENT
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Representative of Appellant	Representative
Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of Kumri Vivekananda B.Ed. College, Plot No. 2481, 2483, 2494, Vill-Kumri (Mathpara), Post – Gopalpur Ghat, Karimpur to Berhampur Road, Tehatta, Nadia, West Bengal - 741122 dated 27.02.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. F. No. ER-384.8/NCTE/B.Ed./ERCAPP3686/WB/2025/ (72543-72549) dated 02.01.2026 of the Eastern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. Course on the grounds that "1. The institution has not submitted Land Use Certificate issued by the Competent Government Authority. 2. The institution has submitted BCC wherein the total built up area is 8145.66 sq. ft. which is lesser than what is required as per NCTE Regulation. 3. The institution has not submitted copies of appointment letters, joining reports and the documents clearly mentioning the names and Saving Bank account numbers of each of the faculty appointed for B.Ed. programme and also that the faculties are being said salary through cheque/RTGS/NEFT. It should have been supported with concerned documents from banks, showing the disbursement of salary through bank account to individual faculty members for last six months."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative of Kumri Vivekananda B.Ed. College, Plot No. 2481, 2483, 2494, Vill-Kumri (Mathpara), Post – Gopalpur Ghat, Karimpur to Berhampur Road, Tehatta, Nadia, West Bengal - 741122 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The Land Use Certificate issued by the Competent Government Authority i.e. Prodhan, Harekrishnapur Gram Panchayat, Joyrampur, Nadia, Memo No-204/ref/12, dated-14.11.12. is enclosed for ready reference. 2. The B.C.C. submitted earlier was erroneously made and submitted, wherein the actual and correct B.C.C was not submitted. The actual and correct B.C.C is now being submitted, which is as per the building Plan of the KUMRI VIVEKANANDA B.Ed. College. 3. The Institution is enclosing the Appointment letters joining reports and the documents clearly mentioning the names of the faculties being paid Salary through the Bank for last six months. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit along with documents issued by the Sub-Divisional Officer, Tehatta, Nadia, and further submitted an affidavit vide letter dated 23.04.2026 received on 27.04.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that the Land Use Certificate issued by the competent Panchayat authority has been furnished, a revised Building Completion Certificate (BCC) has been

submitted in place of the earlier erroneously submitted document, and the approved Building Plan has been furnished in conformity with NCTE norms. The institution further submitted documents relating to faculty engagement, appointment records, salary disbursement through banking channels, and bank-certified salary statements for the relevant period.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for B.Ed. course of two-year duration with an annual intake of 100 (Hundred) students vide order dated 02.05.2017. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the ERC vide order dated 02.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 5th Meeting, 2026 held on 30th March, 2026 & 6th Meeting, 2026 held online on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein. The Appeal Committee also noted that a complaint exists in the matter; however, the impugned order does not record or deal with the substance of the allegations contained therein. In order to ensure a complete and informed adjudication, the Committee considered it necessary to obtain a factual report from the concerned Regional Director, ERC, specifically examining the submissions made by the appellant institution vis-à-vis the issues raised in the complaint.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that the Land Use Certificate issued by the competent local authority, namely the Prodhan, Harekrishnapur Gram Panchayat, Joyrampur, Nadia vide Memo No. 204/Ref/12 dated 14.11.2012, had been furnished. The appellant institution submitted that, being situated within the jurisdiction of the said Gram Panchayat, issuance of Land Use Certificate by the Panchayat Prodhan is the prevailing local practice and the same had been duly notarized and submitted. The appellant

institution further submitted that the Building Completion Certificate (BCC) submitted earlier had been erroneously furnished, and upon noticing the discrepancy, a revised/correct BCC in conformity with the approved Building Plan and NCTE norms had been submitted. It was also submitted that the institution had furnished a complete Building Plan duly approved by the competent authority, stated to be in accordance with NCTE norms. The appellant institution additionally submitted that faculty engagement and salary disbursement records, including appointment letters, joining reports and bank-certified salary statements for the preceding six months, had been furnished to establish payment of salary to faculty through banking channels. The institution also submitted supporting affidavits on non-judicial stamp paper along with the requisite documents. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit along with documents issued by the Sub-Divisional Officer, Tehatta, Nadia, and an affidavit vide letter dated 23.04.2026 received on 27.04.2026 in response to the deficiencies communicated by the Regional Committee. In the affidavit, the institution submitted Land Use Certificate, revised Building Completion Certificate (BCC), approved Building Plan, and documents relating to faculty engagement, appointment records and salary disbursement through banking channels, including bank-certified salary statements.

The RD, ERC vide note dated 30.04.2026 submitted the following status:-

- (i) *The complaints received from Baba Saheb Ambedkar Education Ambedkar Education University and Shri Arabindu Barai were majorly pertaining to shortfalls of Faculties Staff in the Appellant Institution, direct transfer of salary in account of faculties, etc. The ERC taking cognizance of substances of the complaints, decided to withdraw the recognition of the appellant institution on grounds of non-submission of LUC issued by the Competent Authority, insufficient land area as mentioned in BCC and lack of proof of transfer of salary in account of faculties, their joining letters, appointment letters, etc.*
- (ii) *Subsequently, the institution preferred the appeal, and the Appeal Committee has sought the documents from the appellant institution in respect of the grounds on which withdrawal order was issued by the O/o ERC and the Appeal Committee is to decide the case in light of the above documents, if submitted by the institution.*
- (iii) *The above factual report may kindly be placed before the Appeal Committee.*

The Appeal Committee carefully considered the Appeal Report, the impugned order dated 20.04.2026, the submissions made by the appellant institution, the material available on record, and the applicable statutory framework under the provisions of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and

Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee noted that, at the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, 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 impugned order. The Committee further observed that a complaint exists in the matter; however, the impugned order does not record or deal with the substance of the allegations contained therein. The Committee also noted that the material subsequently placed on record by the appellant institution has not been subjected to verification and examination by the competent Regional Committee. Accordingly, the Committee considered it necessary that the staff/faculty particulars be comprehensively verified from the affiliating University to ascertain whether the institution fulfils the prescribed Norms and Standards under the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The Committee further observed that, under the statutory scheme of the NCTE Act, 1993 read with the applicable Regulations, compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through duly verified and authenticated records. Consequently, the material now placed on record necessitates factual verification and regulatory scrutiny by the competent Regional Committee before any conclusive determination regarding compliance can be arrived at. The Appeal Committee also took note of the law laid down by *the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in Rambha College of Education v. NCTE [W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016]*, wherein subsequent material brought on record during appellate proceedings was held not liable to be disregarded merely because the same was not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing the impugned order, and that, where warranted, the matter may be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee observed that consideration of such material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish compliance and the same necessarily requires strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Appeal Committee 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."

In view of the above-mentioned order, the Committee concluded to keep the impugned order in abeyance until and unless the ERC take an appropriate decision in the matter.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, and the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee, in exercise of appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, decided to remand the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC) for limited factual verification and regulatory reassessment, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the claims of the appellant institution. Accordingly, the impugned order dated 02.01.2026 shall remain kept in abeyance until the ERC takes an appropriate decision in the matter after due examination of the submissions made by the appellant institution vis-à-vis the verified substance of the complaint and comprehensive verification of the staff/faculty particulars from the affiliating University, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the Rules framed thereunder, and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The ERC is directed to re-examine the matter afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness and regulatory compliance of all documents submitted by the appellant institution, afford reasonable opportunity to the institution, and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order in accordance with law and the directions contained hereinabove. The concerned Regional Committee, being the custodian of records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and connected records before passing any consequential order. Till such decision is taken by the ERC, the appellant institution shall not admit any student. It is expressly clarified that the present remand is confined solely to factual verification and regulatory reassessment and shall not be construed to create any presumption, equity or vested right in favour of the appellant institution. Failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with law. The appellant institution shall forward all documents relied upon in the present appeal to the ERC within fifteen (15) days from receipt of this order. The ERC shall ensure expeditious and time-bound disposal of the matter after following due process under the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, Rules and Regulations and in terms of the directions contained hereinabove.

IV. DECISION: -

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Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
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However, the University of Jammu further placed on record that we wholeheartedly respect NCTE norms and are committed to full compliance. (ii) Requirement of FDRs for Reserve Fund and Endowment Fund The Directorate acknowledges the requirement under Regulation 10 of NCTE Regulations, 2014 for maintaining FDRs of 12.00 lakhs (27.00 5.00 lakh) for each course (B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed) (Annexure-IV & V). The University has already maintained the mandated FDRs strictly in accordance with NCTE norms and already submitted in hard as well as soft forms to the APPEAL Committee and NRC. The same has already been uploaded on the portal of NCTE as instructed in the Show Cause Notice. (iii) Uploading of Separate Faculty Lists for B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed. Programmes. The Directorate acknowledges the observation regarding the uploading of separate faculty lists for B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed. Programmes. The University has compiled the faculty lists duly approved by competent authorities and has already submitted in hard as well as soft forms to the APPEAL Committee and NRC. The same has already been uploaded on the NCTE portal as instructed in the Show Cause Notice. Keeping in view the urgency of the matter, the University of Jammu further placed proposal regarding creation of teaching and non-teaching posts for running these Programmes before its Competent Bodies. The instant matter was first placed before the emergent meeting of the University Syndicate meeting held on 15.01.2026. The University Syndicate resolved as under: "Resolved that the creation of following Teaching and Non-Teaching positions for the B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed Programme as per National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) norms in the first phase be endorsed for the approval of the University Council: Resolved further that the qualifications, pay scales and other eligibility conditions in respect of the above-mentioned posts shall be strictly as per UGC norms/J&K UT norms, as applicable. The recommendations of the University Syndicate were accordingly considered by the 89th University Council meeting held on 16.01.2026 which directed the Higher Education Department, Government of J&K to consider the matter for early concurrence. Accordingly, the Higher Education Department, Government of J&K was apprised about the resolution of the University Council and requested to consider the matter for creation of teaching and non-teaching posts for B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed Programmes in the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu vide letter No. SS/VC/2026/503 dated 16.01.2026. It was also submitted to the Higher Education Department that until the requisite teaching positions are formally created and sanctioned, necessary academic support from Higher Education Department, Govt. of J&K be extended to the Department of Physical Education, University of Jammu. In this regard, the Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu and Kashmir after taking cognizance of the matter has graciously assured full cooperation to the Department of Physical Education, University of Jammu Vide letter No. HED-US/5/2026-04 (7722628) dated 28.02.2026 wherein Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu and

Kashmir shall deploy the services of PTIs from Government Degree Colleges to the University of Jammu to impart instructions to the students of B.P.Ed. & M.P.Ed. Courses as Guest Faculty in the University. In view of the above submissions, your personal intervention is earnestly solicited for grant of recognition to the B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programme of the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu, in the interest of students, stakeholders and the professional needs of the Jammu region. It is once again reiterated that the University of Jammu stands committed to adhere to all statutory requirements as mandated by NCTE. Annexures of Orders uploaded and enclosed as supporting documents.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 B.P.Ed. Course on 30.08.2020. The recognition of the institution for B.P.Ed. programme was refused by the NRC vide order dated 15.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 5th Meeting, 2026 held online on 30th March, 2026 & 6th Meeting, 2026 held on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein the appellant, University of Jammu, has preferred an appeal against the action of the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) in respect of its application for grant of recognition for B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programmes under Sections 14/15(3)(b) of the NCTE Act, 1993. The appellant institution submitted that a Show Cause Notice dated 12.11.2025 was issued by NRC, pursuant to deliberations in its 449th meeting, to which the University furnished its reply vide letter dated 17.11.2025 and subsequently uploaded all relevant documents on the NCTE portal on 03.12.2025. It has been stated that the B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programmes were originally commenced in the years 2004 and 2007

respectively, at a time when the University of Jammu was outside the purview of NCTE, and that subsequent to the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Act, 2019, the programmes came under the regulatory ambit of NCTE, necessitating compliance with the prescribed norms. With regard to the deficiencies pointed out, the appellant submitted that no processing fee was paid at the time of inception of the programmes as the University was then outside the purview of NCTE and it was presumed that Government institutions were exempt; however, the institution has expressed its commitment to comply with all NCTE requirements. It has further submitted that the required Fixed Deposit Receipts towards Reserve Fund and Endowment Fund, as stipulated under Regulation 10 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, have been duly created and submitted to the NRC and uploaded on the portal. The appellant also submitted that separate faculty lists for B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programmes, duly approved by the competent authority, have been prepared and submitted in compliance with the Show Cause Notice. It has further been stated that the University has initiated steps for creation of requisite teaching and non-teaching posts in accordance with NCTE norms, which have been approved by the University Syndicate and considered by the University Council, and the matter has been referred to the Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu & Kashmir for concurrence. It has also been submitted that, pending formal creation of posts, the Higher Education Department has agreed to provide academic support by deputing Physical Training Instructors from Government Degree Colleges as guest faculty. The appellant institution has reiterated that it has submitted all requisite documents, complied with the directions issued in the Show Cause Notice, and remains committed to fulfilling all statutory requirements under the NCTE Act and Regulations, and has sought consideration of its application for grant of recognition for the said programmes.

The Appeal Committee, upon exhaustive, independent, and objective scrutiny of the entire material available on record, and in strict exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, after conscious and reasoned application of mind, finds that the appellant institution has unequivocally failed to discharge the statutory onus cast upon it to establish, by cogent, credible, authentic, and legally sustainable documentary evidence, fulfillment of the mandatory and threshold recognition standards prescribed under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee finds that the material produced is manifestly deficient, legally inadequate, and incapable of demonstrating substantive, verifiable, and continuous compliance with the binding statutory framework governing grant or restoration of recognition. The Appeal Committee further holds that in the absence of strict and demonstrable adherence to the regulatory regime, no vested, accrued, equitable, or enforceable right can be asserted by the

appellant institution under the NCTE Act, 1993. The Appeal Committee, therefore, proceeds to record the following findings: -

- (i) The material available on record does not establish compliance with the faculty norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The faculty list placed on record is not in conformity with the prescribed qualifications/requirements and is unsupported by complete documentary evidence relating to qualifications, appointment and continuity of service. In the absence of complete, verifiable and legally sustainable evidence demonstrating availability of duly qualified, full-time and approved faculty, compliance with the mandatory statutory requirements governing teacher education programme(s) remains unsubstantiated.

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II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

The Representative from Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, Khasra No. 142/12, Baba Sahib, Ambedkar Road, University of Jammu, Jammu & Kashmir – 180006 appeared online to present the case of the appellant-institution on 16.05.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that “Your kind attention is invited towards

the Show Cause Notice No. NCTE/NRC/FR-2122-NRC-40146230/JAMMU AND KASHMIR/2020/FSCNAP dated 12.11.2025 issued by Northern Regional Committee (NRC), NCTE, New Delhi vide which the University of Jammu was given Show Cause Notice to show cause as to why the application seeking grant of recognition for B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed. Programmes should not be refused u/s 14/15(3) (b) of NCTE Act, 1993 on the grounds as mentioned in the notice. In response to said show cause notice, the University of Jammu vide letter No: PE/25/1696 dated 17.11.2025 submitted its response, requested therein to consider granting recognition to the B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed Programmes of the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education in the interest of the students, stakeholders and the professional needs of the Jammu region Subsequently, as desired, the University of Jammu also uploaded all the relevant documents on the NCTE portal on 03.12.2025. In the above connection, it is submitted that at the time of inception, the B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed programme were not governed by the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) regulations and therefore were structured and operated under the then-prevailing University and statutory norms. However, following the issuance of Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Act, 2019 on 09.08.2019, the regulatory framework underwent a significant transformation and these programmes were subsequently brought under the ambit of NCTE regulations. This transition has imposed mandatory compliance with NCTE norms, particularly with respect to faculty strength, qualifications, student teacher ratio and academic governance. Pertinent to mention here that as per the show cause notice, the NRC had considered the matter on 13/10/2025 in the meeting No. 449th Volume-2 and sought a written representation before passing any order under Clause 14/15(3)(b) of the NCTE Act, 1993. The University submitted its response with respect to the observations made by NRC vide letter No. PE/25/1696 dated-17.11.2025 as follows: (i) Processing Fee for B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. Courses It is submitted that B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed. Programmes were initiated by the Directorate in 2004 and 2007 respectively, during a period when the University of Jammu fell outside the purview of NCTE due to the special constitutional position of Jammu & Kashmir prior to 2019. Accordingly, no processing fee was applicable or demanded at the time of commencement. In view of the fact that the University of Jammu is the only Government institution in the Jammu Division offering B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. Programmes, serving a large number of students with 90 placement records. Since it was presumed that Government Institutions are exempted from processing fees for the submission to NCTE and also same point of processing fees never came into discussion in the earlier Show Cause Notice. It was therefore requested to kindly waive-off the processing fees and grant recognition to the University as the career of many of the students was at stake as they are waiting for admission to these courses. It was apprised that Jammu and Kashmir is a disturbed place which makes students very difficult to proceed to the far-off Universities to get admitted.

However, the University of Jammu further placed on record that we wholeheartedly respect NCTE norms and are committed to full compliance. (ii) Requirement of FDRs for Reserve Fund and Endowment Fund The Directorate acknowledges the requirement under Regulation 10 of NCTE Regulations, 2014 for maintaining FDRs of ₹12.00 lakhs (27.00 ₹5.00 lakh) for each course (B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed) (Annexure-IV & V). The University has already maintained the mandated FDRs strictly in accordance with NCTE norms and already submitted in hard as well as soft forms to the APPEAL Committee and NRC. The same has already been uploaded on the portal of NCTE as instructed in the Show Cause Notice. (iii) Uploading of Separate Faculty Lists for B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed. Programmes The Directorate acknowledges the observation regarding the uploading of separate faculty lists for B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed. Programmes. The University has compiled the faculty lists duly approved by competent authorities and has already submitted in hard as well as soft forms to the APPEAL Committee and NRC. The same has already been uploaded on the NCTE portal as instructed in the Show Cause Notice. Keeping in view the urgency of the matter, the University of Jammu further placed proposal regarding creation of teaching and non-teaching posts for running these Programmes before its Competent Bodies. The instant matter was first placed before the emergent meeting of the University Syndicate meeting held on 15.01.2026. The University Syndicate resolved as under: "Resolved that the creation of following Teaching and Non-Teaching positions for the B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed Programme as per National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) norms in the first phase be endorsed for the approval of the University Council: Resolved further that the qualifications, pay scales and other eligibility conditions in respect of the above-mentioned posts shall be strictly as per UGC norms/J&K UT norms, as applicable. The recommendations of the University Syndicate were accordingly considered by the 89th University Council meeting held on 16.01.2026 which directed the Higher Education Department, Government of J&K to consider the matter for early concurrence. Accordingly, the Higher Education Department, Government of J&K was apprised about the resolution of the University Council and requested to consider the matter for creation of teaching and non-teaching posts for B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed Programmes in the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu vide letter No. SS/VC/2026/503 dated 16.01.2026. It was also submitted to the Higher Education Department that until the requisite teaching positions are formally created and sanctioned, necessary academic support from Higher Education Department, Govt. of J&K be extended to the Department of Physical Education, University of Jammu. In this regard, the Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu and Kashmir after taking cognizance of the matter has graciously assured full cooperation to the Department of Physical Education, University of Jammu Vide letter No. -HED-US/5/2026-04 (7722628) dated 28.02.2026 wherein Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu and

Kashmir shall deploy the services of PTIs from Government Degree Colleges to the University of Jammu to impart instructions to the students of B.P.Ed. & M.P.Ed. Courses as Guest Faculty in the University. In view of the above submissions, your personal intervention is earnestly solicited for grant of recognition to the B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programme of the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu, in the interest of students, stakeholders and the professional needs of the Jammu region. It is once again reiterated that the University of Jammu stands committed to adhere to all statutory requirements as mandated by NCTE. Annexures uploaded and enclosed as supporting documents."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 M.P.Ed. Course on 30.08.2020. The recognition of the institution for M.P.Ed. programme was refused by the NRC vide order dated 15.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 5th Meeting, 2026 held online on 30th March, 2026 & 6th Meeting, 2026 held on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunities to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, namely University of Jammu, which has preferred an appeal against the action of the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) in respect of its application for grant of recognition for B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programmes under Sections 14/15(3)(b) of the NCTE Act, 1993. The appellant submitted that a Show Cause Notice dated 12.11.2025 was issued by NRC, pursuant to its 449th meeting, to which the University submitted its reply vide letter dated 17.11.2025 and uploaded all relevant documents on the NCTE portal on 03.12.2025. It has been stated that the B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programmes

were initiated in the years 2004 and 2007 respectively, at a time when the University was outside the purview of NCTE, and subsequent to the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019, the programmes came under the regulatory ambit of NCTE, necessitating compliance with prescribed norms relating to faculty, qualifications, student-teacher ratio and academic governance. With regard to deficiencies, the appellant submitted that no processing fee was paid at the time of commencement of the programmes as the University was then outside the purview of NCTE and it was presumed that Government institutions were exempt; however, it has expressed its willingness to comply with NCTE requirements and requested waiver of the processing fee. It has further submitted that the required Fixed Deposit Receipts towards Reserve Fund and Endowment Fund in accordance with Regulation 10 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 have been duly maintained and submitted to NRC as well as uploaded on the portal. The appellant also submitted that separate faculty lists for B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. programmes, duly approved by the competent authorities, have been prepared and submitted. It has further been stated that the University has initiated the process for creation of requisite teaching and non-teaching posts in accordance with NCTE norms, which has been approved by the University Syndicate and considered by the University Council, and the matter has been referred to the Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu & Kashmir for concurrence. It has also been submitted that, pending formal sanction of posts, the Higher Education Department has agreed to provide academic support by deputing Physical Training Instructors from Government Degree Colleges as guest faculty. The appellant institution has reiterated that it has complied with the requirements of the Show Cause Notice, submitted the requisite documents, and remains committed to adherence to all statutory requirements under the NCTE Act and Regulations, and has requested consideration of its application for grant of recognition for the said programmes.

The Appeal Committee, upon exhaustive, independent, and objective scrutiny of the entire material available on record, and in strict exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, after conscious and reasoned application of mind, finds that the appellant institution has unequivocally failed to discharge the statutory onus cast upon it to establish, by cogent, credible, authentic, and legally sustainable documentary evidence, fulfillment of the mandatory and threshold recognition standards prescribed under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee finds that the material produced is manifestly deficient, legally inadequate, and incapable of demonstrating substantive, verifiable, and continuous compliance with the binding statutory framework governing grant or restoration of recognition. The Appeal Committee further holds that in the absence of strict and demonstrable adherence to the

regulatory regime, no vested, accrued, equitable, or enforceable right can be asserted by the appellant institution under the NCTE Act, 1993. The Appeal Committee, therefore, proceeds to record the following findings: -

- (ii) The material available on record does not establish compliance with the faculty norms and standards prescribed under the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The faculty list placed on record is not in conformity with the prescribed qualifications/requirements and is unsupported by complete documentary evidence relating to qualifications, appointment and continuity of service. In the absence of complete, verifiable and legally sustainable evidence demonstrating availability of duly qualified, full-time and approved faculty, compliance with the mandatory statutory requirements governing teacher education programme(s) remains unsubstantiated.

The Appeal Committee, upon independent, objective, and comprehensive examination of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, records available on file, documents placed on record, and submissions advanced during the hearing, is satisfied that the impugned order is legally sound, reasoned, and in conformity with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The same does not suffer from any procedural irregularity, perversity, arbitrariness, non-consideration of relevant material, or violation of the principles of natural justice. The record clearly establishes that adequate, effective, and meaningful opportunity of hearing was afforded to the appellant institution. The grounds for non-grant/recognition pertain to core statutory requirements, including adequacy of duly qualified and approved faculty, instructional facilities, and overall regulatory compliance. The deficiencies identified are substantive, fundamental, and go to the root of eligibility, and cannot be treated as minor or curable irregularities in absence of contemporaneous, credible, and verifiable documentary compliance.

Noting the submissions contained in the Appeal Report, the documents available on record, and the arguments advanced during the online hearing, the Appeal Committee, upon independent, objective, and comprehensive consideration of the entire material on record, holds that the appellant institution continues to remain in material, substantive, and continuing non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee holds that recognition under the NCTE Act, 1993 is regulatory, conditional, and contingent upon strict and continuous compliance with the prescribed norms. No institution can claim any vested or accrued right to recognition or intake capacity in absence of demonstrable compliance at the time of consideration. Past status or assertions unsupported by legally admissible evidence cannot override the statutory framework. In the present case, despite adequate and repeated opportunities, the appellant institution has failed

to discharge the statutory burden of establishing compliance with the mandatory provisions of the Act and Regulations. The action of the Regional Committee is thus lawful, justified, and in accordance with the regulatory framework, warranting no appellate interference. Accordingly, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the Appeal Committee finds no legal, factual, or procedural infirmity in the impugned order dated 15.01.2026, and the same is hereby affirmed.

IV. **DECISION:** -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, concluded that instant appeal deserves to be rejected and therefore, the impugned order dated 15.01.2026 issued by NRC is confirmed. The appeal is accordingly dismissed, and no further relief is granted to the appellant institution.

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, Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, Khasra No. 142/12, Baba Sahib, Ambedkar Road, University of Jammu, Jammu & Kashmir – 180006.**
2. **The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.**
3. **The Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Mini Block Civil Secretariat, Jammu, J&K.**



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)

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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

**एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-109/E-403217/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLERC202615567 -**

<p>Basundhara Teachers Training College, Survey No. 924-29-26-15-23-30-14-28-22-26, NH-28 Near Mrkan Chowk, Vill-Bishnupur Jainarayan, Post - Silout, Muzaffarpur, Bihar – 843119.</p> <p>APPELLANT</p>	<p><u>Vs</u></p>	<p>Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.</p> <p>RESPONDENT</p>
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Representative of Appellant	Dr. Uma Shankar Roly, Chairman
Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Basundhara Teachers Training College, Survey No. 924-29-26-15-23-30-14-28-22-26, NH-28 Near Mrkan Chowk, Vill-Bishnupur Jainarayan, Post - Silout, Muzaffarpur, Bihar - 843119** dated 18.03.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/ERC/2627202509233082/BIHAR/2025/REJC/1718** dated 29.01.2026 of the Northern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP course on the grounds that "1. The institution has not produced/submitted a certificate from the concerned State Government justifying the need for teacher education programme in that area/region. 2. The address is not matching with recognition order issued by the NCTE for B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. programme. 3. The institution has submitted building safety certificate but not matching plot No. as per recognition order. 4. The institution is running two units of B.Ed. programme and the institution has submitted the transit application for two units of ITEP programme. However, the institution has only 4237.68 sq. mtrs land which is less than NCTE regulation for running two units of B.Ed. programme and two units of ITEP programme as per para 6.1 (b) notified dated 26.10.2021. 5. The institution has not submitted a certificate from the competent authority, stating that the institution's campus, building, furniture etc. is barrier free/Accessible issued from competent authority. 6. The institution has submitted Building plan but not approved by the competent authority. Further, the institution has only 4182.29 sq. mtrs built up area which is lesser than what is required under NCTE regulation for running two units of B.Ed. programme, two units of ITEP programme as per para 6.1 (b) notified dated 26.10.2021. 7. The institution has submitted fire safety Certificate and Building safety certificate issued from Govt. Authority for different address."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Dr. Uma Shankar Roy, Chairman of Basundhara Teachers Training College, Survey No. 924-29-26-15-23-30-14-28-22-26, NH-28 Near Mrkan Chowk, Vill-Bishnupur Jainarayan, Post - Silout, Muzaffarpur, Bihar - 843119 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The institution respectfully submits that the required Need Certificate has now been obtained from the competent State Government authority. The certificate has been issued by the District Education Officer, Muzaffarpur (Govt. of Bihar) after assessing the requirement of trained teachers in the region. Further, the same has been

duly countersigned by the Deputy Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Bihar, Patna, thereby validating the requirement at the State Government level. A copy of the said certificate is enclosed herewith. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully complied with.

2. The institution submits that the difference in address is only due to variation in postal description and not due to any change in location. To clarify this, a duly sworn affidavit executed before the First-Class Magistrate, Muzaffarpur has been submitted confirming that both addresses refer to the same campus and institution. Hence, the deficiency stands fully complied with.

3. The institution respectfully submits that the variation in plot numbers is due to subsequent addition and registration of land after the grant of recognition by NCTE. At the time of recognition, the institution had the land as per the recognition order. However, to comply with enhanced land requirements for ITEP Programme, additional land has been duly purchased and registered, and the same is reflected in the updated Building Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority. Thus, the difference in plot numbers is only on account of addition of land and not due to any change in location of the institution. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully clarified and complied with.

4. The institution respectfully submits that the land area of 4237.68 sq. meters mentioned by the Hon'ble ERC is based on earlier records/documents submitted at the initial stage. However, the institution has subsequently acquired additional land through duly registered sale deed dated 11.03.2026, and the updated total land available with the institution is approximately 6778 sq. meters. The detailed land records, registry documents and consolidated land statement have been enclosed for kind perusal. Thus, the observation of 4237.68 sq. meters is no longer applicable, as the institution now fully complies with the land requirements prescribed under NCTE Regulations dated 26.10.2021. All land forms part of a single contiguous campus. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully complied with.

5. The institution respectfully submits that the required Barrier Free / Accessibility Certificate has now been obtained from the competent authority. The certificate has been duly issued by the Executive Engineer, Building Division, Muzaffarpur, Government of Bihar, certifying that the institution's building is barrier-free and accessible to persons with disabilities as per the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and National Building Code norms. A copy of the certificate is enclosed herewith. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully complied with.

6. The institution respectfully submits that the Building Plan has been duly approved by the competent authority, i.e., Executive Engineer, Building Division, Muzaffarpur, Government of Bihar. Further, the earlier built-up area of 4182.29 sq. meters considered by ERC has now been updated. As per the latest certificate issued by the competent authority, the total built-up area of the institution is approximately 4352 sq. meters. In addition, the institution presently possesses total land of approximately 6778 sq. meters (167.47 decimal), which fulfills the requirements under NCTE Regulations dated 26.10.2021. Thus, both land and built-up area are now sufficient for

running two units of B.Ed. programme and two units of ITEP programme. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully complied with. 7. The institution respectfully submits that the difference in address mentioned in the Fire Safety Certificate and Building Safety Certificate is only due to variation in postal description and not due to any change in location. Both certificates pertain to the same campus of the institution, which is sometimes described by village details (Silout Bishnupur Jainarayan) and sometimes by landmark-based address (Dr. U.S. Roy Knowledge Park, NH-28, Near Markan Chowk). To clarify this, a duly sworn affidavit executed before the First-Class Magistrate, Muzaffarpur has been submitted, clearly confirming that both addresses refer to the same campus and institution. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully clarified and complied with. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 29.01.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement/Recommendation/NOC Certificate issued by the State Government and documents relating to collaboration/multidisciplinary integration approved by the affiliating university. The institution further submitted land-related particulars/documents, including earmarked land for educational purposes, along with approved Building Plan and Building Completion Certificate (BCC) issued by the competent authority. It was also submitted that the infrastructure and built-up area are available for the recognised/proposed teacher education programme(s).

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 29.09.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the ERC vide order dated 29.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 5th Meeting, 2026 held online on 30th March, 2026 & 6th Meeting, 2026 held on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein the appellant has preferred the appeal against the impugned order issued by the concerned Regional Committee in respect of deficiencies relating to requirement certificate, address discrepancy, land particulars, accessibility compliance, and infrastructural adequacy. The appellant institution submitted that the required Need Certificate has been obtained from the competent State Government authority, issued by the District Education Officer, Muzaffarpur and countersigned by the Deputy Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Bihar, thereby establishing the requirement of trained teachers in the region. It has further been submitted that the variation in address is only due to differences in postal description and not on account of any change in location, which has been clarified through a duly sworn affidavit executed before the First-Class Magistrate confirming that both addresses refer to the same campus. With regard to land particulars, the appellant submitted that the variation in plot numbers is due to subsequent addition of land after grant of recognition, and that additional land has been duly purchased and registered to meet the enhanced requirements for the ITEP programme. It has been stated that while earlier records reflected land area of 4237.68 sq. meters, the institution now possesses approximately 6778 sq. meters of contiguous land, supported by registered sale deed dated 11.03.2026 and updated land records. The appellant further submitted that the Barrier-Free/Accessibility Certificate has been obtained from the Executive Engineer, Building Division, Muzaffarpur, certifying compliance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and applicable norms. It has also been submitted that the building plan has been duly approved by the competent authority and that the total built-up area has been updated from 4182.29 sq. meters to approximately 4352 sq. meters, which, along with the available land area, meets the requirements for running two units of B.Ed. and two units of ITEP. The appellant also submitted that the variation in address reflected in the Fire Safety Certificate and Building Safety Certificate is attributable to differing modes of description (village-based and landmark-based), and the same has been clarified through a duly sworn affidavit confirming that both certificates pertain to the same institutional campus. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit in response to the observations/deficiencies communicated through the impugned order dated 29.01.2026. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished the Requirement/Recommendation Certificate issued by the State Government, documents relating to collaboration/multidisciplinary integration approved by the affiliating university, and land-related particulars/documents. The institution further submitted approved Building Plan, Building Completion Certificate (BCC) and details regarding infrastructural and built-up area availability for the teacher education programme(s).

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous

compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in ***Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016***, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 and remand the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory

authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Basundhara Teachers Training College, Survey No. 924-29-26-15-23-30-14-28-22-26, NH-28 Near Mrkan Chowk, Vill-Bishnupur Jainarayan, Post - Silout, Muzaffarpur, Bihar - 843119.**
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. The Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.
4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Govt. of Bihar Vikash Bhawan, Ground Floor, Near New Sachibalay, Bailey Road, Secretariat (Near New Sachibalay), Bihar 800 015.



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

दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-111/E-403237/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLERC202615570 -

Shaheed Pramod B.Ed. College, Khata No. 467, 468, Susta Madhopur, Mushahari, Muzaffarpur, Bihar – 842002.	<u>Vs</u>	Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Shree Prasant Kumar, Assistant Lecturer
Respondent by	Regional Director, ERC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF REFUSAL

The appeal of **Shaheed Pramod B.Ed. College, Khata No. 467, 468, Susta Madhopur, Mushahari, Muzaffarpur, Bihar - 842002** dated 21.03.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/ERC/2627202509172688/BIHAR/2025/REJC/1732** dated 29.01.2026 of the Eastern Regional Committee, refusing recognition for conducting ITEP course on the grounds that "1. The institution submitted NEC wherein total land area is 4249.39 which is lesser than what is required under NCTE Regulation for running two units of D.El.Ed. three units of B.Ed. and Two units of B.A. B.Ed. B.Sc. B.Ed. Programme. 2. The institution submitted Building Safety Certificate wherein total land area is 4249.39 which is lesser than what is required under NCTE Regulation for running two unit of D.El.Ed. three units of B.Ed. and Two units of B.A. B.Ed. B.Sc. B.Ed. Programme. 3. The institution is running three units of B.Ed. programme and two unit of the D.El.Ed. Programme. The institution submitted the application of transit as two units of ITEP programme. The institution has only 5505.72 sq. mtrs land with is lesser than NCTE regulation for running three units of B.Ed. programme, two unit of D.El.Ed. programme and two units of ITEP programme as per para 6.1 (b) notified dated 26.10.2021. 4. The institution has submitted NEC which is very old one. Hence, the institution is required to submit latest NEC issued by the competent authority. 5. The institution has submitted Building Plan but not readable."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Shree Prasant Kumar, Assistant Lecturer of Shaheed Pramod B.Ed. College, Khata No. 467, 468, Susta Madhopur, Mushahari, Muzaffarpur, Bihar - 842002 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "1. The institution has obtained the required certificate from the concerned State Government authority justifying the need for Teacher Education Programme in the region. The Need Certificate has been duly issued by the District Education Officer, Muzaffarpur, Government of Bihar, who is a competent district-level authority under the State Government. Further, the said certificate has been duly countersigned and verified by the Deputy Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Bihar, Patna, thereby confirming its authenticity and approval at the State level. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully cured and complied with the norms of NCTE. 2. The institution respectfully submits that the land area of 4249.39 sq. meters mentioned by ERC is based on earlier/partial records. As per the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate

issued by the competent authority, the institution possesses total land measuring approximately 165 decimal, which is equivalent to about 6677.47 sq. meters. Further, the same has also been certified by the competent authority in the Building Safety Certificate. Thus, the land available with the institution is sufficient and in compliance with NCTE norms for running the existing programmes as well as the proposed ITEP programme. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully cured and complied with the norms of NCTE. 3. The institution respectfully submits that the land area of 4249.39 sq. meters mentioned in the earlier Building Safety Certificate was based on partial/old records. However, as per the latest documents submitted, including the updated Non-Encumbrance Certificate and Building Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority, the institution possesses total land measuring approximately 165 decimal (about 6677.47 sq. meters). Thus, the earlier figure of 4249.39 sq. meters is no longer applicable and stands superseded by the updated land records. The available land is sufficient as per NCTE Regulations for running the existing programmes as well as the proposed ITEP programme. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully cured and complied with the norms of NCTE. 4. The institution respectfully submits that the land area of 5505.72 sq. meters mentioned by ERC is based on earlier records. As per the latest documents submitted, including updated NEC and Building Safety Certificate, the institution possesses total land measuring approximately 165 decimal (about 6677.47 sq. meters), which fulfills the requirement under NCTE Regulations dated 26.10.2021. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully cured and complied with the norms of NCTE. 5. The institution respectfully submits that the earlier NEC submitted was based on previous records available at that time. However, the institution has now obtained the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC) issued by the competent authority, i.e., District Sub-Registrar / Registration Office, Muzaffarpur, Government of Bihar. The updated NEC reflects the current and complete land records of the institution, including the additional land acquired subsequently. A copy of the latest NEC is enclosed herewith. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully cured and complied with the norms of NCTE. 6. The institution respectfully submits that the Building Plan submitted earlier was not clearly readable due to scanning/technical issues. The institution has now submitted a fresh, clear and legible copy of the Building Plan, duly approved by the competent authority, for kind perusal. Therefore, the deficiency stands fully cured and complied with the norms of NCTE. The appellant institution also submitted an affidavit in response to the observations communicated by the Appeal Committee. In the affidavit, the institution submitted that it has furnished authenticated land records, including the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), clarifying land continuity, ownership and availability in conformity with NCTE norms. The institution further submitted a duly approved Building Plan with-programme-wise/floor-wise earmarked built-up area, including for ITEP, and clarification regarding adequacy of infrastructure and built-up area. It was also submitted

that the requisite Need Certificate/State Government notification, statutory approvals, safety certificates and infrastructure-related compliances have been furnished in accordance with the applicable NCTE framework.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

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 04.10.2025. The recognition of the institution for ITEP programme was refused by the ERC vide order dated 29.01.2026.

The instant matter was placed before the Appeal Committee in its 5th Meeting, 2026 held online on 30th March, 2026 & 6th Meeting, 2026 held on 24th April, 2026. The Appeal Committee carefully examined the Appeal Report, relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution, wherein the appellant has preferred the appeal against the impugned order issued by the concerned Regional Committee in respect of deficiencies relating to requirement certificate, land area, non-encumbrance certificate, and building plan. The appellant institution submitted that the requisite Need Certificate justifying the requirement of the Teacher Education Programme has been obtained from the District Education Officer, Muzaffarpur, Government of Bihar, and duly countersigned by the Deputy Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Bihar, thereby establishing compliance at the State level. With regard to land area, the appellant submitted that the figures of 4249.39 sq. meters and 5505.72 sq. meters referred to in earlier observations were based on partial or previous records, and that as per the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate and Building Safety Certificate issued by the competent authority, the institution presently possesses approximately 165 decimal of land, equivalent to about 6677.47 sq. meters, which includes additional land acquired subsequently and forms a contiguous holding sufficient for running

existing programmes as well as the proposed ITEP programme. The appellant further submitted that the latest Non-Encumbrance Certificate has been obtained from the competent authority, i.e., District Sub-Registrar/Registration Office, Muzaffarpur, reflecting the complete and updated land records, including additional land. It has also been submitted that the earlier building plan was not clearly legible due to technical issues, and a fresh, clear and legible building plan duly approved by the competent authority has now been submitted. The appellant institution submitted an affidavit in response to the observations communicated by the Appeal Committee. In the affidavit, the institution submitted authenticated land records, including Non-Encumbrance Certificate (NEC), clarification regarding land continuity/availability, duly approved Building Plan with earmarked built-up area for ITEP, and clarification regarding infrastructural adequacy. The institution further submitted the requisite Need Certificate/State Government notification, statutory approvals and safety/infrastructure-related compliances under the applicable NCTE framework.

The Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the impugned order, the Appeal Report, the records available on file, and the submissions advanced during the hearing, observes that the impugned decision of the concerned Regional Committee is founded upon findings of non-compliance with the mandatory requirements prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time, read with the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025. The deficiencies recorded therein pertain to core statutory requirements governing eligibility, including fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status, and are foundational to consideration of recognition for the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP). At the appellate stage under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the appellant institution has placed on record certain additional documents along with a compliance report purportedly in rectification of the deficiencies noted by the Regional Committee. The Appeal Committee notes that a substantial portion of such material was either not placed before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order or has not undergone verification and authentication by the competent authority in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee is further of the considered view that eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) is contingent upon the institution being a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the provisions and norms prescribed by the NCTE. Further, while processing and considering applications for ITEP, it is incumbent upon the concerned Regional Committee to ensure that the infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and found to be in conformity with the norms and regulations prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to compliance with the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. Such examination shall necessarily

include verification of the availability and adequacy of land area and built-up area of the institution in its capacity as a Multidisciplinary Institution intending to offer the ITEP programme, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, and other applicable statutory requirements, taking into account the land and built-up area requirements prescribed by the respective competent/statutory authority for the programmes already established and proposed to be offered by the institution. It is a settled position that compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through contemporaneous, duly authenticated, and verifiable documentary evidence, and the burden of establishing strict and continuous compliance rests squarely upon the applicant institution. Mere assertions, post facto submissions, or unverified documents cannot, by themselves, displace or invalidate the findings recorded by the Regional Committee. In this context, the Committee also takes note of the principle enunciated by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in **Rambha College of Education v. NCTE, W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016**, wherein it has been recognised that subsequent material and developments brought on record during the pendency of appellate proceedings cannot be disregarded merely on the ground that the same were not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order. The Hon'ble Court has recognised that such material may be considered by the Appellate Authority and, where warranted, the matter may appropriately be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee emphasises that consideration of additional material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish regulatory compliance or confer validity upon such documents, and that any such material is necessarily required to be subjected to strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, and having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in furtherance of the principles of fairness and due process, deems it appropriate to set aside the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 and remand the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC), strictly for the limited purpose of factual re-examination of the appellant institution's claim regarding fulfilment of the prescribed shortlisting criteria for Multidisciplinary Institution (MDI) status and other deficiencies identified in the impugned order. The appellant institution shall submit complete, duly authenticated, contemporaneous, and verifiable documentary evidence before the concerned Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of this order. Upon receipt thereof, the Regional Committee shall examine the matter strictly in accordance with the provisions of the

NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended, and the NCTE Guidelines for Multidisciplinary Institutions (MDI) dated 15.05.2025, including verification of the institution's eligibility for offering the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), which is contingent upon the institution qualifying as a Multidisciplinary Institution in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE, and ensuring that infrastructure facilities, including land earmarked for the undergraduate-level programme, are duly authenticated and conform to the norms prescribed by the UGC and/or the concerned statutory/regulatory authority, in addition to the applicable NCTE Norms and Standards. The Regional Committee shall thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order strictly in accordance with law and uninfluenced by any observations made herein. It is clarified that the present remand is limited in scope and shall not create any presumption, equity, or vested right in favour of the appellant institution.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 29.01.2026 and remands the matter to the Eastern Regional Committee (ERC) for fresh consideration and factual re-examination, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the NCTE MDI Guidelines dated 15.05.2025, subject to the directions contained hereinabove. The appellant institution shall submit the requisite documents within fifteen (15) days, whereupon the Regional Committee shall proceed in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a reasonable timeframe.

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, Shaheed Pramod B.Ed. College, Khata No. 467, 468, Susta Madhopur, Mushahari, Muzaffarpur, Bihar - 842002.**
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3. **The Regional Director, Eastern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Govt. of Bihar Vikash Bhawan, Ground Floor, Near New Sachibalay, Bailey Road, Secretariat (Near New Sachibalay), Bihar 800 015.**



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)
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दिनांक/ Date – 02.06.2026

**एन सी टी ई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/
APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT
89-33/E-396568/2026 Appeal/7th Meeting, 2026
APPLNRC202615506 ✓**

Bhagwati Devi Smrati Mahavidyalaya, Plot No. 1116, 1121, 1112, 1113, 1199, Kurari, Sugaon, Mainpuri, Bhongaon, Uttar Pradesh – 205120.	<u>Vs</u>	Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUND OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of **Bhagwati Devi Smrati Mahavidyalaya, Plot No. 1116, 1121, 1112, 1113, 1199, Kurari, Sugaon, Mainpuri, Bhongaon, Uttar Pradesh - 205120** dated 10.01.2026 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per withdrawal order no. **F. No. NRC/NCTE/NRCAPP-7320/D.El.Ed./444th Meeting (Volume-1)/Sl. No. 02/UP/2025/233817-233823** dated 10.09.2025 of the Northern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting D.El.Ed. course on the grounds that "The institution has obtained affiliation/recognition for D.El.Ed. course one additional unit on behalf of fake corrigendum order dated 09.07.2015 despite the fact that the institution had not applied for D.El.Ed. course one additional unit through due process and the institution was aware of the same. Hence, the Committee decided the following: *The recognition granted to the institution for offering D.El.Ed. course be withdrawn under Section 17(1) of the NCTE Act, 1993 with effect from the end of academic session next following the date of communication of withdrawal order and the institution shall not be entitled to admit the students from the academic session 2025-2026 onwards. * A letter to be communicated to the State Government, with a request to initiate legal proceedings against the institution and to revoke the affiliation of the current teacher education programme. *To obtain legal advice from the NCTE Headquarters on whether any additional actions can be pursued against the institution in accordance with the NCTE Act 1993, its Rules and the associated Regulations."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

No one from **Bhagwati Devi Smrati Mahavidyalaya, Plot No. 1116, 1121, 1112, 1113, 1199, Kurari, Sugaon, Mainpuri, Bhongaon, Uttar Pradesh - 205120** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 15th & 16th May, 2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "Only running one unit." Further the appellant institution submitted an affidavit affirming compliance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and NCTE Regulations, 2014 (as amended from time to time). In the affidavit, the institution undertook that all documents submitted/uploaded before the Appellate Authority were genuine, valid and capable of verification by the competent authorities. Through the affidavit, it was stated therein that the institution had been granted recognition for D.El.Ed. programme with an annual intake of 50 students from the academic session 2015–2016 vide order dated 31.05.2015. The institution further submitted that no recognition for two basic units had been granted at any stage and that the institution had remained affiliated for only one unit. It was also indicated that admissions had been made only against 50 seats through

SCERT and that the institution had never operated or admitted students against two units/100 seats.

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for D.El.Ed. course of two-year duration with an annual intake of 50 students vide order dated 31.05.2015. The recognition of the institution for D.El.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the NRC vide order dated 10.09.2025.

The Appeal Committee noted that the instant matter was earlier placed in its 2nd Meeting, 2026 held on 29.01.2026 & 5th Meeting 2026 held on 30.03.2026 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee, in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to grant another opportunity to the Appellant Institution with the directions to submit the aforesaid documents mentioned therein. Simultaneously, in order to ensure that the decision is founded upon authenticated statutory records, the Appeal Committee resolved to call upon the Regional Director, NRC, to furnish a status verification report, supported by documentary evidence, clarifying whether the institution has at any stage been granted recognition for more than one unit or has made any representation or claim in that regard.

The instant matter placed before the Appeal Committee in the present Meeting held on 15th & 16th May, 2026. The appellant institution submitted that only one unit of the D.El.Ed. programme is being run by the institution. The appellant institution further submitted an affidavit affirming that the institution had been granted recognition for D.El.Ed. programme with an annual intake of 50 students from the academic session 2015–2016 vide order dated 31.05.2015 and that no recognition for two basic units had been granted at any stage. The institution further submitted that affiliation and admissions had remained confined to one unit of 50 seats through SCERT and that the institution had never operated or admitted students against two units/100 seats.

The Appeal Committee noted that RD, NRC vide letter dt. 14.05.2026 for submitted that "... based upon the above documents, the institution was granted recognition for one unit of D.El.Ed. course vide Order dated 31.05.2015. There in nothing in the records which may establish that the institution has at any stage been granted recognition for more than one unit or has made any representation or claim in that regard. Hence, the Corrigendum letter bearing No. NRC/NCTE/NRCAPP-7320/239 Meeting/2015/118342-46 dated 09.07.2015 for D.El.Ed. course for 2 units attached in institution file is fake. The institution had to apply afresh under Section 15 for an additional unit as per due procedure only.:

The Appeal Committee carefully considered the Appeal Report, the impugned order dated 10.09.2025, the submissions made by the appellant institution, the material available on record, and the applicable statutory framework under the provisions of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time. The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution, through an affidavit, submitted that recognition had been granted only for the D.El.Ed. programme with an annual intake of 50 students from the academic session 2015–2016 vide order dated 31.05.2015, and that no recognition for two basic units had been granted at any stage. The institution further submitted that affiliation and admissions remained confined to one unit of 50 seats through SCERT, and that no admissions were ever made against two units/100 seats. The Committee noted that there is no doubt regarding the non-genuineness of the Corrigendum order dated 09.07.2015 pertaining to additional intake for the D.El.Ed. programme. However, from the submissions/comments received from the NRC, it could not be conclusively ascertained whether the appellant institution had any role in issuance of the said order or had utilised the purported additional intake for admissions. The Committee, therefore, considered it necessary that the matter be comprehensively examined by the Northern Regional Committee (NRC), including verification from SCERT, Uttar Pradesh, to ascertain whether the institution utilised the additional intake or admitted students on the basis of the impugned order, and to examine the matter in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Committee further observed that, under the statutory scheme of the NCTE Act, 1993 read with the applicable Regulations, compliance with recognition norms is required to be established through duly verified and authenticated records. Consequently, the material placed on record necessitates factual verification and regulatory scrutiny by the competent Regional Committee before any conclusive determination can be arrived at. The Appeal Committee also took note of the law laid down by ***the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in Rambha College of Education v. NCTE [W.P. (C) No. 3231/2016]***, wherein subsequent material brought on record during appellate proceedings was held not liable to be disregarded merely because the same was

not before the Regional Committee at the time of passing of the impugned order, and that, where warranted, the matter may be remitted for reconsideration in accordance with law. At the same time, the Committee observed that consideration of such material at the appellate stage does not ipso facto establish compliance and necessarily requires strict factual verification and regulatory scrutiny.

Appeal Committee 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."

In view of the above-mentioned order, the Committee concluded to keep the impugned order in abeyance until and unless the NRC take an appropriate decision in the matter.

Noting the Appeal Report, the submissions placed on record, the material available in the appeal file, and the applicable statutory framework, and upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire matter, having regard to the aforesaid judicial pronouncements and the factual matrix of the present case, the Appeal Committee, in exercise of appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, decided to remand the matter to the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) for limited factual verification and regulatory reassessment, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the claims of the appellant institution. Accordingly, the impugned order dated 10.09.2025 shall remain kept in abeyance until the NRC takes an appropriate decision after due examination of the submissions of the appellant institution and verification from SCERT, Uttar Pradesh, regarding utilization of the additional intake and admissions, if any, on the basis of the Corrigendum order dated 09.07.2015, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, Rules framed thereunder and the NCTE Regulations, 2014. The NRC is directed to re-examine the matter afresh, verify the authenticity, correctness and regulatory compliance of all documents, afford reasonable opportunity to the institution, and thereafter pass a reasoned and speaking order in accordance with law and the directions contained hereinabove. The NRC, being custodian of records, shall also ensure the authenticity and genuineness of the impugned order and connected records before passing any consequential order. Till such decision is taken by the NRC, the appellant institution shall not admit any student. It is clarified that the present remand is confined solely to factual verification and regulatory reassessment and shall not create any

presumption, equity or vested right in favour of the appellant institution. Failure to establish compliance upon reconsideration shall entail action strictly in accordance with law. The appellant institution shall forward all documents relied upon in the present appeal to the NRC within fifteen (15) days from receipt of this order. The NRC shall ensure expeditious and time-bound disposal of the matter after following due process under the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, Rules and Regulations.

IV. DECISION: -

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, decided to remand the matter to the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) for limited factual verification and regulatory reassessment. Accordingly, the impugned order dated 10.09.2025 shall remain kept in abeyance until the NRC takes an appropriate decision after due examination of the submissions of the appellant institution and verification of relevant facts from the affiliating body/competent authority, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, Rules and the NCTE Regulations, 2014, as amended.

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-110001.**
3. **The Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110075.**
4. **The Education Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Room No. 03, Naveen Bhawan, U.P. Secretariat, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh-226001.**



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Vishva Bharti College of Education, Jagadhri, Sector-18, Huda, Yamunanagar, Haryana-135003.	<u>Vs</u>	Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075.
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	No one appeared
Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC
Date of Hearing	15.05.2026 & 16.05.2026
Date of Pronouncement	02.06.2026

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of **Vishva Bharti College of Education, Jagadhri, Sector-18, Huda, Yamunanagar, Haryana-135003** dated 03.07.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the decision as per refusal order no. **F. No. NCTE/2025/NRC/PAR/ORDER/HR-472+HR-1701/** dated **23.05.2025** of the Northern Regional Committee, refusing 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: -

No one from **Vishva Bharti College of Education, Jagadhri, Sector-18, Huda, Yamunanagar, Haryana-135003** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 16.05.2026. In the appeal report, the appellant institution submitted that "Our institute presumed that submission of PAR for B.Ed. and D.El.Ed. is the same. We have submitted PAR for B.Ed. for Both the session i.e., 2021-22 and 2022-23. Kindly taking into consideration that we have already submitted PAR for B.Ed. and we hereby assure you that we will submit PAR on time in future for D.El.Ed. too. We through this communication assure you that in future PAR for D.El.Ed. course will be submitted separately and on time."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee, in its 7th Meeting, 2026 held online on 15th & 16th May, 2026, considered the case of the appellant institution and carefully examined the Appeal Report, the impugned order passed by the concerned Regional Committee, the records available on file, the documents placed on record, and the submissions made by the appellant institution.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for D.El.Ed. programme two-year duration with an annual intake of 50 students vide order dated 20.08.2007. Thereafter, an order dt. 17.09.2008 was issued to the institution for conducting D.Ed. Additional Intake of Elementary level of two-year duration with an annual intake of 50 (Fifty only) students (Existing 50 + Additional 50 = 100) students from the academic session 2008-2009. The recognition of the institution for D.El.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the NRC vide order no. File no. NCTE/2025/NRC /PAR/ORDER/ HR-472+HR-1701/ dated 23.05.2025.

The Appeal Committee considered the case in the present meeting and noted the submissions of the appellant institution that the institution had presumed submission of PAR for B.Ed. and D.El.Ed. courses to be common and, accordingly, had submitted PAR for the B.Ed. programme for the academic sessions 2021–22 and 2022–23. The appellant institution submitted that the omission in submission of separate PAR for the D.El.Ed. course occurred on account of such understanding and further assured that separate PAR for the D.El.Ed. programme shall be submitted independently and within the prescribed timeline in future.

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 Committee observed that, in terms of Section 12(k) of the NCTE Act, 1993, read with the decision of the General Body of the Council in its 61st Meeting held on 05.08.2024 and the subsequent Public Notices issued in this regard, submission of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) is a mandatory, statutory, and time-bound compliance obligation for all recognized Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs). The PAR process necessarily comprises both submission of institutional data through the designated online portal and successful payment of the prescribed fee, which constitutes an integral part of the compliance mechanism. The Committee further noted that wide publicity was accorded through multiple modes to ensure that all TEIs were duly apprised of the requirement of submission of PAR.

The Committee thereafter took note of the binding decision of the General Body of NCTE adopted in its 68th (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 above decision of the General Body being binding in nature is required to be strictly complied with by the Regional Committees. The Committee noted that the appellant institution had failed to submit the PAR within the stipulated timelines and was, therefore, deficient in complying with the mandatory statutory requirements. However, it is also noted that at the appellate stage, the appellant institution has expressed its willingness to submit the PAR upon reopening of the portal and has placed certain documents on record in support of its submissions. The Committee further noted that documents produced at the appellate stage may be examined for the limited purpose of verification by the competent authority, as held by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in *Rambha College of Education v. NCTE [W.P.(C) No. 3231/2016]*, wherein it has been observed:

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.”

Noting the submissions made by the appellant institution and having regard to the foregoing statutory provisions, the binding decision of the General Body of the Council dated 25.11.2025, and the settled legal position, the Appeal Committee, upon careful, independent, and objective consideration of the entire material available on record, is of the considered view that the impugned order dated 23.05.2025 is liable to be set aside. Accordingly, the matter is remanded to the Northern Regional Committee for fresh examination. The appellant institution is directed to forward to the concerned Regional Committee, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of this order, all documents submitted along with the present appeal, including any additional material relied upon. The remand is considered necessary to facilitate due verification of the documents placed on record and to ensure that the matter is examined strictly in accordance with the statutory framework governing recognition, including the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the directions contained in the binding resolution of the General Body dated 25.11.2025. The Regional Committee, being the competent statutory authority and custodian of institutional records, shall undertake a comprehensive, independent, and reasoned assessment of the case, including verification of all documents and claims made by the appellant institution, strictly in accordance with law. It is expressly clarified that the appellant institution shall be required to establish strict, complete, and demonstrable compliance with all prescribed norms and standards through duly authenticated documentary evidence, and failure to do so shall entail rejection of its case in accordance with law, without any further opportunity.

IV. DECISION:

After careful consideration of the Appeal Report, the impugned order, the records available on file, and the submissions made by the appellant institution, the Appeal Committee of the Council, in exercise of its appellate jurisdiction under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, hereby sets aside the impugned order dated 23.05.2025 and remands the matter to the Northern Regional Committee for fresh consideration in accordance with law. The Northern Regional Committee shall strictly comply with and give effect to the binding decision of the General Body of NCTE dated 25.11.2025 and examine the case afresh in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and applicable guidelines issued from time to time. The appellant institution shall forward all documents submitted along with the appeal to the Regional Committee within fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of this order. The Regional Committee shall thereafter undertake due verification and pass a reasoned and speaking order within a time-bound manner, strictly in accordance with law. The appeal stands disposed of accordingly.

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. The 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.