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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 9024/2026**

AAYUSH SHARMA THROUGH HIS NATURAL GUARDIAN

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Pranzal Jha and Mr. Aditya Rana,
Advs.

versus

CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION & ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Adv Sanjay Khanna (SC), Ms Pragya
Bhushan, Ms. Jaya Choudhary, Mr Saurabh
Pandey, Ms Meemansa Dixit, Mr Naman Dwivedi,
Advocates for CBSE/R1

Mr Dhruv Rohatgi Panel Counsel GNCTD Ms
Chandrika Sachdeva Mr Dhruv Kumar, Advs./R3

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH

ORDER

09.07.2026

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CM APPL. 42304/2026

Allowed subject to all just exceptions.

The application stands disposed of.

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1. This is a writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following reliefs:-

“1. Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction, including a writ in the nature of Mandamus, directing Respondent No. 1 to correct the Science Practical/Internal Assessment marks of the Petitioner in the Class X Board Examination result from 02 out of 20 to 20 out of 20, in conformity with the actual marks awarded by Respondent No. 2, as



confirmed by Respondent No. 2's written communications and records;

2. Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction directing Respondent No. 2 to revise the Petitioner's Class X Board Examination result and issue forthwith a fresh and corrected marksheet/certificate accurately reflecting the Petitioner's true and correct marks and aggregate score;

3. Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction directing Respondent No. 2 to carry out the aforesaid correction and issue the revised marksheet/certificate within a time-bound period as may be fixed by this Hon'ble Court;

4. Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction directing the Respondents to ensure that the corrected marks and revised result of the Petitioner are duly updated and reflected in all official records, digital databases and educational records maintained by them;

5. Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction directing the Respondents to communicate the corrected result to all concerned authorities, institutions and agencies, wherever necessary, so that the Petitioner does not suffer any prejudice in seeking admission to the school and academic stream of his choice;

6. Award the costs of the present proceedings in favour of the Petitioner and direct Respondent No. 1 School to reimburse the Petitioner for the litigation expenses, court fees and other incidental costs incurred in pursuing the



present petition, as the necessity of approaching this Hon'ble Court has arisen solely due to the admitted clerical and typographical error committed by Respondent No. 1 while uploading/transmitting the Petitioner's Science Practical/Internal Assessment marks;...”

2. The brief facts of the case are that the petitioner is a student of Class-X enrolled at the respondent No. 2 school and he appeared in Class-X Board Examination bearing Enrolment No. 14210728.
3. The petitioner duly participated in all examinations including Science Practical/Internal Assessment component administered by the respondent No. 2 school.
4. On 15.04.2026, the respondent No. 1 (C.B.S.E.) declared the results of the petitioner for Class-X Board Examination 2025-2026, wherein the petitioner was shocked to find that he has only secured 2 marks out of 20 marks in his Science Practical/Internal Assessment.
5. When the petitioner approached the respondent No. 2 school and sought clarification with regards to this discrepancy, the respondent No. 2 acknowledged that the petitioner had, in fact, secured 20 out of 20 marks and the discrepancy is because of an inadvertent clerical/typographical error.
6. The respondent No. 2 has also approached the respondent No. 1 for seeking correction of the clerical error and wrote numerous letters to the respondent No. 1. However, all the requests were rejected by the respondent No. 1 on the ground that the said grievance is raised after the declaration of results and beyond the prescribed timeline.
7. For the said reasons, issue notice.



8. Mr. Khanna and Mr. Rohatgi, learned counsels accept notice on behalf of the respondent Nos. 1 and 3 respectively.
9. Mr. Khanna, learned standing counsel states that the respondent No. 2 school's carelessness is causing this prejudice to the academic career of the petitioner. He states that the respondent No. 2 school was required to be extra careful while uploading the results of students of Class-X and XII standards.
10. He further states that before finalising of the results by the respondent No. 2 school, a correction window was given which was also not utilised by the respondent No. 2 school.
11. In this view of the matter, it is not in dispute that the petitioner secured 20 out of 20 marks in his Science Practical/Internal Assessment, it is also not in dispute that the incorrect marks as sent by the respondent No. 2 school were correctly uploaded by the respondent No. 1.
12. I am of the view that these technical considerations as raised by the respondent No. 1 cannot be allowed to stand in the way of academic career of the petitioner and the need of ensuring substantial justice supersedes mere technical considerations or hurdles which might lie in its way, especially when there is no fault attributable to the person aggrieved.
13. For the said reasons, the petition is allowed and the respondent No. 1 shall correct the Science Practical/Internal Assessment marks of the petitioner from 02 to 20 within a period of 1 week from today.
14. Additionally, there is no doubt that the conduct of the respondent No. 2 school has been careless and negligent, the same is evident from the letters/emails dated 17.04.2026, 27.04.2026 and 04.05.2026. One of



them (email dated 27.04.2026) reads as under:-

Request for correction of clerical error in Internal Assessment marks – Class X, Science (086)

1 message

M N D P SCH SANGAM VIHAR NEAR ASTAHAL MANDIR ND R.O. DELHI-EAST
<25186@cbseshiksha.in>
To: "EXAM SECTION R.O. DELHI EAST" <rodle.exam@cbseshiksha.in>

Mon, Apr 27, 2026 at
11:28 AM

Respected Sir/Madam,

This is to bring to your kind notice a clerical error in the Internal Assessment marks uploaded for one of our Class X students.

Student Details:

- School Name: M.N.D.P. School
- Student Name: Aayush Sharma
- Class: X
- Board Roll No.: 14210728
- Subject: Science
- Subject Code: 086

Due to a clerical mistake, the Internal Assessment marks of the above student were incorrectly uploaded as 02 (Two) instead of 20 (Twenty). The correct marks secured by the student are 20 out of 20. This error is causing serious academic loss to the student and may adversely impact his career. We sincerely regret this inadvertent mistake and request you to kindly rectify the marks in your records. We shall be highly grateful if the necessary correction is made at the earliest. Kindly let us know if any supporting documents are required from our end.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully,

Kindly find attachment here below.

Principal
MNDP School
[25186]

15. As per the proof of service filed with the petition, the respondent No. 2 school has been served on its official email ID (mndpsecondaryschool@yahoo.com) but nobody has appeared on its behalf.
16. For the said reasons, the respondent No. 2 must be subject to some costs by this Court.
17. Accordingly, the respondent No. 2 shall deposit costs of Rs. 10,000/- to



the Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee within 4 weeks from date of communication of the order.

18. The proof of payment of costs shall be filed, failing which, the file shall be put up before the Court.
19. The petition is allowed and disposed of in the aforesaid terms.
20. *Dasti.*

JULY 9, 2026/ (MS)

JASMEET SINGH, J