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

+ **W.P.(C) 1819/2020**

MONIKA VIRMANI TEACHERS TRAINING COLLEGE Petitioner

Through : Mr. Sanjay Sharawat, Mr. Divyank
Rana, Mr. Abhishek Dhankar and
Mr.Ashok Kumar, Advs.

versus

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER
EDUCATION & ORS**

..... Respondents

Through : Ms. Arunima Dwivedi, Standing
Counsel for NCTE.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV SHAKDHER

ORDER
17.02.2020

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1. Issue notice to the respondents.
2. Ms. Arunima Dwivedi accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.
3. In view of the directions that I propose to pass, Ms. Dwivedi says that she will argue the matter based on the record presently available.
4. The substantive prayer made in the writ petition is as follows:

“Issue a writ of mandamus and direct the Respondent No.2 [or Respondent No.3] to convene an emergent meeting and decide the application of the Petitioner for D.El.Ed course well before 03.03.2020 being the cut off date fixed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Maa Vaishno Devi Mahila Mahavidyalaya vs State of U.P & Ors [(2013) 2 SCC 617].”

5. The record shows that the petitioner had filed an application for running D.El.Ed. course *qua* academic session 2013-2014 on 31.12.2012.
6. The petitioner's case, it appears, was considered by the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) in its 299th meeting held between 01.04.2019 and 05.04.2019.
7. The petitioner, without waiting for a formal show cause notice to be issued, filed a reply on 14.04.2019.
8. The petitioner's grievance is that, although, 12 meetings have been convened by the NRC since then, there has been no movement in its matter.
9. I am also informed that pursuant to the gazette notification dated 27.01.2020 being issued by the NCTE, the jurisdiction *qua* the petitioner may now vest with the Western Regional Committee (WRC).
10. Accordingly, the captioned writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the NRC/WRC to adjudicate upon the matter concerning the petitioner.
11. The concerned regional committee i.e. NRC/WRC shall deliberate upon the petitioner's matter as per law in its next meeting that is proposed to be held, keeping in mind, the cut-off date for academic session 2020-2021, which is 03.03.2020.

FEBRUARY 17, 2020

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RAJIV SHAKDHER, J