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

+ **W.P.(C) 2259/2020**

Date of decision: 28.02.2020

SHIV TAJ EDUCATION INSTITUTE

..... Petitioner

Through Mr. Sanjay Sharawat, Mr. Divyank
Rana and Mr. Abhishek Dhankar,
Advts.

versus

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AND ORS.

..... Respondents

Through Ms. Arunima Dwivedi, Standing
Counsel with Mrs. Ankita, Adv. for
NCTE.

+ W.P.(C) 2262/2020

OM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

..... Petitioner

Through Mr. Sanjay Sharawat, Mr. Divyank
Rana and Mr. Abhishek Dhankar,
Advts.

versus

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AND ORS.

..... Respondents

Through Ms. Arunima Dwivedi, Standing
Counsel with Mrs. Ankita, Adv. for
NCTE.

+ W.P.(C) 2280/2020

GPS INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION THROUGH APEX SOCIAL
WELFARE SOCIETY (REGD)

..... Petitioner

Through Mr. Sanjay Sharawat, Mr. Divyank
Rana and Mr. Abhishek Dhankar,

- Advvs.
- versus
- NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AND ORS.
- Respondents
- Through Ms. Arunima Dwivedi, Standing Counsel with Mrs. Ankita, Adv. for NCTE.
- + W.P.(C) 2287/2020
- MAHARAJA SURAJMAL TEACHERS TRAINING COLLEGE FOR STC
- Petitioner
- Through Mr. Sanjay Sharawat, Mr. Divyank Rana and Mr. Abhishek Dhankar, Advvs.
- versus
- NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AND ORS.
- Respondents
- Through Ms. Arunima Dwivedi, Standing Counsel with Mrs. Ankita, Adv. for NCTE.
- + W.P.(C) 2297/2020
- B.R. MEMORIAL T.T SCHOOL
- Petitioner
- Through Mr. Sanjay Sharawat, Mr. Divyank Rana and Mr. Abhishek Dhankar, Advvs.
- versus
- NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AND ORS.
- Respondents
- Through Ms. Arunima Dwivedi, Standing Counsel with Mrs. Ankita, Adv. for NCTE.
- + W.P.(C) 2310/2020
- SEVA TEACHER TRAINING COLLEGE
- Petitioner
- Through Mr. Sanjay Sharawat, Mr. Divyank Rana and Mr. Abhishek Dhankar, Advvs.

versus

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AND ORS.

..... Respondents

Through Ms. Arunima Dwivedi, Standing
Counsel with Mrs. Ankita, Adv. for
NCTE.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV SHAKDHER

ORDER

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28.02.2020

1. Issue notice. Ms. Dwivedi accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.
2. With the consent of counsel for the parties, the writ petitions are taken up for hearing and final disposal.
3. These writ petitions articulate a common grievance, which is, that their applications *qua* concerned courses have not been processed despite compliance by the petitioners.
4. Briefly, the petitioners filed applications for being granted recognition to run D.EL.ED course.
5. It is averred that, in some cases, inspections were conducted, while in others, inspections were not conducted.
6. What is common to these cases is that a decision was taken by the Northern Regional Committee (in short "NRC") to issue a show cause notice.
7. The petitioners, in some cases, responded to the formal show cause notice issued by the NRC, while in other cases, they did not await the issuance of a formal show cause notice to file their respective replies to the decision taken by the NRC.

8. The replies by the petitioners in the aforementioned matters were filed on the following dates:

Writ Petitions Nos.	Date of Reply
W.P.(C) 2259/2020	22.03.2019
W.P.(C) 2262/2020	27.02.2019
W.P.(C) 2280/2020	22.03.2019
W.P.(C) 2287/2020	28.02.2019
W.P.(C) 2297/2020	28.02.2019
W.P.(C) 2310/2020	02.05.2019

9. It is the petitioners' case that, thereafter, NRC has convened 13 meetings but there has been no movement in the matter.

10. According to Mr. Sharawat, this has impacted the interest of the petitioners. Mr. Sharawat says that in 05 out of 06 matters, the applications were filed in December 2012, while in W.P.(C) 2262/2020, the application was filed in October 2008.

11. Ms. Dwivedi, on the other hand, says that the petitioners could have approached the Court earlier rather than at the nth hour when the cut-off date for academic session 2020-2021 is around the corner.

12. To my mind, the respondents are certainly at fault in not processing the applications filed by the petitioners after compliance was made by them.

13. That being said, the petitioners are also at fault, if not fully, *albeit*, partially, as they could have approached the Court earlier and not allowed 13 meetings to pass before instituting the captioned petitions.

14. In these circumstances, the captioned writ petitions are disposed of with a direction to the concerned regional Committee i.e. Western Regional Committee (in short 'WRC')¹ to take necessary steps in the matters, if possible, before 03.03.2020, which is the cut-off date fixed for academic session 2020-2021.

15. *Dasti* under signatures of the Court Master.

FEBRUARY 28, 2020
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RAJIV SHAKDHER, J

¹ As per the terms of the Gazette Notification dated 27.01.2020 issued by the National Council for Teacher Education.