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

+ **W.P.(C) 2282/2020**

Date of decision: 28.02.2020

GURU DRONACHARYA COLLEGE OF EDUCATION...Petitioner

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

versus

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION AND ANR.
..... 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 captioned writ petition is taken up for hearing and final disposal.
3. The grievance of the petitioner is that its application *qua* concerned course has not been processed despite compliance by the petitioner.
4. Briefly, the petitioner filed an application for being granted recognition to run D.EL.ED course.
5. It is averred that the inspection was conducted in November

2018.

6. A decision was taken by the Northern Regional Committee (in short “NRC”) to issue a show cause notice dated 26.02.2019 (in short “SCN”).

7. The petitioner responded to the SCN issued by the NRC.

8. The reply by the petitioner in the captioned matter was filed on 20.03.2019.

9. It is the petitioner’s case that, thereafter, the 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 petitioner. Mr. Sharawat says that the application was filed in December 2012.

11. Ms. Dwivedi, on the other hand, says that the petitioner 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 application filed by the petitioner after compliance was made by the petitioner.

13. That being said, the petitioner is also at fault, if not fully, *albeit*, partially, as it could have approached the Court earlier and not allowed 13 meetings to pass before instituting the captioned petition.

14. In these circumstances, the captioned writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the concerned regional Committee i.e. NRC to take necessary steps in the matter as per the extant provisions of law, 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.

RAJIV SHAKDHER, J

FEBRUARY 28, 2020

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