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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED :06.07.2021

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.KRISHNAKUMAR

W.P.No. 6128 of 2014
and M.P.Nos. 2 & 3 of 2014

1.S.A.Dhivhya
2.Janeesh Logaprabhu
3.Utkarsh Verma
4.Vignesh R.
5.Gaurav Maheswari
6.Rajat Bansal
7.Nikhil Sarathy
8.Yashaswi Haramurali

..Petitioners

Vs

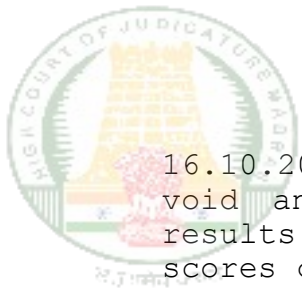
1.Union of India,
Represented by the Secretary,
Department of Higher Education,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Shastri Bhawan, Rajendra Prasad Road,
New Delhi -110001.

2.CAT Centre 2013
Indian Institute of Management Indore
Prabandh Shikhar,
Rau-Pithampur Road,
Indore - 453556,
Madhya Pradesh, India

3.Promteric Testing Pvt Ltd.,
2nd Floor, DLF Infinity Tower
A Sector -25, Phase-II, DLF City,
Gurgaon, Haryana -122002.

.. Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records of the 2nd and 3rd respondents pertaining to the Common Admission Test 2013 held between



16.10.2013 and 11.11.2013 and quash the same as being null and void and consequently direct the respondents to publish the results in terms of un-equated un-scaled and unmoderated RAW scores of the petitioners.

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For Petitioners : M/s.Rajnish Pathiyil
For Respondents : Mr.M.T. Arunan, SC - R2
Mr.K.Harishankar - R3
No Appearance - R1

O R D E R

The prayer sought for in the Writ Petition is to call for the records of the 2nd and 3rd respondents pertaining to the Common Admission Test 2013 held between 16.10.2013 and 11.11.2013 and quash the same as being null and void and consequently direct the respondents to publish the results in terms of unequated unscaled and unmoderated RAW scores of the petitioners.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the 2nd respondent and the learned counsel appearing for the 3rd respondent and perused the records.

3. Brief facts of the case is that the writ petitioners appeared for the Common Admission Test (CAT) for the year 2013 which was administered over a period of 20 days between 16.10.2013 and 11.11.2013 across 40 test centres. The announcement regarding the registration for CAT 2013 was made by the respondents on 28.07.2013. The writ petitioners along with other candidates undertook the above test at Chennai during the above said period. Subsequently, the results were published by the 2nd respondent on 14.01.2014. The scores published by the respondents were erratic, illogical and erroneous and lack of transparency. In fact thousand of candidates who undertook the CAT 2013 have raised questions regarding the scoring system as well as the lack of transparency in awarding score.

4. On facts, these writ petitioners have appeared for examination and results were published and the said decision of the authority is under challenge in the present writ petition. The petitioners have challenged the scoring system in CAT Examination after attending the examination, therefore, estopped from challenging the decision to conduct of the test. The said examination was held in the year 2014, now the matter came up for hearing in the year 2021, This Court is not inclined to interfere with the decision taken by the authority after a lapse of seven years, as there are no merits in the petition.



5. In view of the above, the writ petition stands dismissed as devoid of merits. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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Assistant Registrar (CS-VI)

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+1cc to Mr.K.Harishankar, Advocate, S.R.No.31552

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