



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-13253-2025
Date of decision : 09.05.2025

Khalsa College of Education, GT Road, Amritsar
Versus

.....Petitioner

National Council for Teacher Education and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: None.

SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

The present petition has been filed against three show cause notices, two dated 01.04.2025 (Annexures P-5 and P-6) and the third dated 02.04.2025 (Annexure P-7), issued by the Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, National Council for Teacher Education, seeking explanation of the petitioner Institute as to why its recognition be not withdrawn on account of non-submission of Performance Appraisal Report for the academic sessions 2021-22 and 2022-23 of B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc. B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses.

2. The contention of the petitioner appears to be that due to technical glitch and portal of NCTE being defective, reply to the aforesaid three notices prepared and submitted by it could not be uploaded on the website.

3. Considering the short prayer made in the petition, this Court deems it appropriate not to issue notice and disposes of the petition with a direction that in case, replies to impugned three show cause notices sent by the petitioner through e-mail have reached the competent authority of the NCTE, same be considered and taken into account before passing an order of



withdrawal of recognition or otherwise of the petitioner Institute, under Section 17 (1) of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 (for brevity, ‘Act of 1993’).

3.1 Thereafter, the petitioner, if aggrieved, is free to avail the alternative remedy of filing statutory appeal to the Council under Section 18 of the Act of 1993.

3.2 To ensure proper adjudication of this order and to afford a reasonable and sufficient opportunity to the petitioner for its reply to be considered, the Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, National Council for Teacher Education, is restrained from passing any final order pursuant to the impugned show cause notices, for a period of fifteen (15) days. It is made clear that in case, the petitioner does not make any effort to ensure that replies to the show cause notices stated to be filed by it reach the Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, National Council for Teacher Education, within a period of fifteen (15) days, the Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, National Council for Teacher Education, shall be free to pass an order under Section 17 (1) of the Act of 1993.

4. Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

May 09, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No