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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ W.P.(C) 1369/2026 & CM APPL. 6747/2026, CM APPL. 6748/2026
CM APPL. 6749/2026, CM APPL. 11506/2026

RED CARPET HIGH SCHOOL, BIHARPetitioner
Through: Mr Kirtiman Singh, Sr. Adv. with Mr
Akshay Amritanshu, Mr Sarthak Srivastava, Mr
Maulik Khurana and Mr Mayur Goyal, Advs.
versus

COUNCIL OF INDIAN SCHOOL CERTIFICATE
EXAMINATIONSRespondents

Through: Mr. Rituraj Biswas, Adv., Mr. Mayan
Prasad, Adv., Mr. Aayush Garg, Adv.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH

ORDER

% **17.03.2026**

1. This is a writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following prayers:-

“a. Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order or direction quashing and setting aside the impugned order dated 15.01.2026 bearing Ref No. CISCE/Dis-Affination/B1027 [Annexure P/1] whereby the affiliation with the CISCE or the Petitioner-School has been withdrawn]

b. Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order or direction quashing and setting aside the Final Opportunity Notice dated 17.11.2025 [Annexure P/17 issued by the Respondent;

c. Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order



or direction quashing and setting aside the verification report and the letter elated 16.10.2025 [Annexure P/15] issued by the Respondent;

d. Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order or direction quashing and setting aside the Show Cause Notice dated 17.03.2025 [Annexure P/8 issued by the Respondent;

e. Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order or direction quashing and setting aside the Surprise Inspection conducted on 18.02.2025 and the Inspection Reports dated 25.02.2025 and 27.02.2025 [Annexure P/7];

f. Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order or direction directing the Respondent to forthwith restore and continue the affiliation of the Petitioner School, as existing prior to the order dated 15.01.2026; ...”

2. The case of the petitioner is that the petitioner School was established in 1987 and since 06.06.2000, it has been affiliated with the respondent i.e., Council for Indian School Certificate Examinations, New Delhi (“**CISCE**”). The petitioner School has been continuously imparting education for last 25 years in accordance with CISCE norms.

3. A show cause notice dated 17.03.2025 was issued by the respondent proposing withdrawal of affiliation on alleged grounds including violation of CISCE norms and that the petitioner School was sponsoring students from another school namely, St. Paul’s International School. The petitioner duly replied to the said show cause notice *vide* letter dated 11.04.2025, explaining its stand and refuting the allegations.

4. Another email was issued on 10.09.2025 seeking information as



under:-

Red Carpet High School
BI-027.

From: Amit Karmakar <eoaffi@cisce.org>
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 11:19 AM
To: Red Carpet High School | Bihar <Head BI027@disceschools.org>
Cc: Dr. Joseph Emmanuel <jes@disce.org>; Ekta Kaundal Parihar <diske@disce.org>; Suraj Tamang <ssicse@disce.org>; Sangeeta Bhatia <disso@disce.org>
Subject: Submission of Data for Registration of Students and Confirmation of Entries

Dear Principal,

You are required to share the following information with CISCE. The said information should reach the CISCE latest by 15th September 2025.

1. The school's complete records, including its UDISE number, total enrolment, section-wise student details, and number of classrooms.
2. List of the UIDs of the students whose entries shall be confirmed for (Class X) year 2026, along with the following:
 1. Admission forms & Admission Register of students
 2. Fee Receipt of the students
 3. Transfer Certificate (Inward & Outward) Issuance Register
 4. Attendance Register of the students
 5. Progress Report of students (Previous class)
 6. Record of Absence of students
 7. Records for withdrawal of admission etc.
3. Full particulars of the students to be registered (Class IX) for the ICSE examination year 2027, including the following:
 1. Admission forms & Admission Register of students,
 2. Fee Receipt of the students
 3. Transfer Certificate (Inward & Outward) Issuance Register
 4. Attendance Register of the students
 5. Progress Report of students (Previous class)
 6. Record of Absence of students
 7. Records for withdrawal of admission etc.

The particulars of the students to be Registered for the ICSE (Class X) Year 2027 Examination, as mentioned in point no. 3 above, may please be provided in the format as given in the attached excel file.

The above to be treated as urgent.

With regards,
Amit Karmakar
Education Officer - Affiliation & Legal
Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations

5. It is stated that the information was supplied though in part.
6. The petitioner filed a writ petition challenging the actions of the respondent being W.P.(C) 14648/2025, which was allowed *vide* order dated 26.09.2025, wherein the operative paragraphs read as under:-



“5. A perusal of the short reply shows that the respondent Board has taken a stand to the effect that bona fide students Classes of IX and X will be registered and confirmed, even after 30.09.2025.

6. Elaborating further, he submits that the verification drive is going on and the same will be concluded by the end of October and post-conclusion of such verification, the registration of Classes IX and X bona fide students of the petitioner school shall be permitted.

7. The attention of the Court has also been drawn to the para 10, 12 & 13 of the counter affidavit, which reads thus:

“10. It is submitted that based on the verification process and the decision of the Executive Committee, the registration for all the bona fide students i.e. the registration of all the students of the petitioner school who are not sponsored from other schools shall be allowed for the 2026 and the 2027 ICSE Examination. It is submitted that such registration shall be allowed for the bona-fide unsponsored students even after the date of 30.09.2025. It is submitted that no late fees shall be charged for such students.

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12. Therefore, in respect of Prayer (a) and (b) it is submitted that bona-fide class IX and Class X students will be registered and confirmed respectively, even after 30.09.2025. In respect to Prayer (c) it is



submitted that no late fee/penalty shall be charged from the bona-fide students who are being registered after 30.09.2025. In respect to Prayer (d) it is submitted that the time limit shall be extended beyond 30.09.2025 for the registration of students for Class IX and for confirmation of students in Class X for the bonafide students of the petitioner school.

13. It is further submitted that the respondent will waive the late payment charges or the levy of penalty for Registration of students of Class IX and “Confirmation of Entries” for the students of Class X for the bona fide students”

8. In view of the above, the short reply dated 25.09.2025 of the respondent Board is taken on record and the respondent shall remain bound by the stand taken therein.

9. No further orders are called for in the present petition.

10. The petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

11. Needless to say that in case the grievance of the petitioner still subsists after the conclusion of verification drive or if the decision is not taken by the Board till the end of October 2025, it shall be at liberty to approach the Court afresh, if so advised.”

7. Pursuant thereto, the respondent issued letter dated 16.10.2025, which also contained a verification report (paragraph No. 8), which reads as under:-



COUNCIL FOR THE INDIAN SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

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THROUGH E-MAIL / SPEED POST

Date: 16.10.2025

To,
The Principal
Red Carpet High School,
Road No. 2-A, Rajendra Nagar,
Distt. - Patna, Bihar - 800016

Subject: Compliance with the Hon'ble Delhi High Court dated 26.09.2025 and Follow Up action with respect to the Show-Cause Notice dated 17.03.2025.

Madam,

In view of the captioned subject matter it is stated as under:

1. It was reported that your school, Red Carpet High School, Distt. Patna was running with certain irregularities, and in consequence, CISCE had conducted a Surprise Inspection of your school on 18.02.2025 through two of its nominated inspectors, Shri Rakesh Kumar Chattree and Capt. P.M. Pradhan.
2. Upon Surprise Inspection of your school by the nominated members, it has been found that, on arrival of the Inspection team, the school was closed at 10 am, school was running at a different location, upon request for school documents, they were stated to be inaccessible and the Principal refused to meet the Inspection team,



That upon questioning, one of the candidates mentioned the name of a different School instead of name of your school thereby establishing student sponsoring, misrepresentation and manipulation.

3. In view of the aforesaid, CISCE had issued a show-cause notice dated 17.03.2025 by which the surprise inspection dated 18.02.2025 and certain irregularities found at the time of inspection were pointed out. Notice also points out the violation of Chapter I Rule VII (2) CISCE Rules for Affiliation. The school was directed to submit a written explanation within a period of thirty days, and to show cause why de-affiliation proceedings should not be initiated against the school.
4. Your school vide letter dated 11.04.2025, submitted reply to the show-cause notice, thereby denying all the complaints against the school.
5. The matter was placed before the Executive Committee for the appropriate action. The Executive Committee, after reviewing the reply to the show-cause notice found the explanation to be unsatisfactory and directed further verification of the genuineness of the students.
6. In compliance with the direction of the Executive Committee, the data shared by the School in response to the Email dated 10.09.2025, was evaluated.
7. In the meantime, the school, aggrieved by the delay in registration process, has filed a writ Petition (C) No. 14648 of 2025 before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. The Hon'ble High Court vide order dated 26.09.2025 disposed of the writ Petition upon stand taken by the Council that all the **Bonafide unsponsored** students for the 2026 and 2027 Examinations would be allowed for registration even after



the deadline of 30.09.2025 without any late fee charge and the verification process would be completed by the end of October 2025.

8. In compliance with the Hon'ble High Court Order dated 26.09.2025, the data submitted by you has been examined and report has been submitted to the affiliation section.

A Copy of the verification report is annexed herein and marked as **Annexure-1**.

9. From the report it is apparent that the school has given incomplete information and from the data provided, the genuineness of the students was not established.

10. Despite the aforesaid fact and without prejudice to the disaffiliation process initiated against your school and solely considering the interest and future of the students, CISCE has decided to permit registration of students of class 9th and Confirmation of Entries of Class 10th.

11. In view of the verification report (**refer to Annexure - 1**), your school is being given one final opportunity to submit the deficient data to prove the genuineness of the students within seven days from the date of receiving this notice, including the following:

- a. The school's complete records, including its UDISE number, total enrolment, section-wise student details, and number of classrooms.

- b. List of the UIDs of the students whose entries shall be confirmed for (Class X) year 2026, along with the following:

- i. Admission forms & Admission Register of students
- ii. Transfer Certificate (Inward & Outward) issuance Register
- iii. Attendance Register of the students (for the previous 02 years)



- iv. Record of Absence of students
- v. Records for withdrawal of admission etc.

c. Full particulars of the students to be registered (Class IX) for the ICSE examination year 2027, including the following:

- i. Admission forms & Admission Register of students.
- ii. Transfer Certificate (Inward & Outward) issuance Register
- iii. Attendance Register of the students (for the previous 02 years)
- iv. Record of Absence of students
- v. Records for withdrawal of admission etc.

12. You are being informed that, even after the notice, if the school fails to submit the deficient data and fails to prove that there were no sponsored students, CISCE will be free to conclude the disaffiliation proceedings in absence of such data.
13. You should also note that, Considering the future of the students, CISCE is allowing the registration of students of class IX and Confirmation of entries for Class X. Registration of students shall not affect the right of CISCE to take any decision against the school. The decision to allow registration for 2027 examination and confirmation for the 2026 examination shall not confer any right in favour of the School.

You are strongly advised to treat this notice with the seriousness it deserves and take immediate corrective action.

Dr. Joseph Emmanuel
Chief Executive & Secretary



8. The said letter was duly replied by the petitioner *vide* reply dated 23.10.2025. Thereafter, the respondent issued the “Final Opportunity Notice” dated 17.11.2025, which referred to respondent’s earlier letter dated 16. 10.2025 and petitioner’s reply dated 23. 10.2025 and granted time to the petitioner to provide the required information.

9. In response, the petitioner submitted its reply dated 24.11.2025, which reads as under:-



Ref. No. **RCHS/DIR/007/25-26**

Date **24-11-2025**

To,
Dr. Joseph Emmanuel
Chief Executive and Secretary
Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations
Pragati House, Third Floor, 47 – 48,
Nehru Place, New Delhi- 110019

Ref. :- In ref. to letter/mail dated 17.11.2025 and 16.10.2025.

Subject :- Regarding submission of documents/information asked.

Dear Sir,

In terms of your email dated 17.11.2025 and 16.10.2025, we are providing all the information that is available with us. The data that was sought by the CISCE is being submitted and is tabulated below for convenience :

A.	School's Record	
(i)	UDISE No.	10281001806
(ii)	Total Enrolment	698 students
(iii)	Section Wise Students Details	Class wise Details attached in Google Drive link
(iv)	Number of Class Rooms	21 classrooms
B.	List of the UIDs of the students whose entries shall be confirmed for (Class X) year 2026	Attached in Google Drive link



RED CARPET HIGH SCHOOL

AFFILIATED TO ICSE NEW DELHI.

AFFILIATION CODE : B1027

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(i)	Admission Form and Admission Register of Students	The Admission Form of the students were unfortunately destroyed during the severe and unprecedented rains leading to heavy water logging in Rajendra Nagar area during September - October 2019. Our school is situated in the same locality and was completely flooded during that time and we suffered heavily as many of our school and student records were destroyed in the flooding. The admission forms and admission register of the entire School were also destroyed during this flooding. However, we have diligently maintained all other student records so that destruction of admission form and admission register of all the students does not in any manner prejudice the students or the School. It was due to the floods and consequential losses and destruction of records that we shifted out our School from Rajendra Nagar to Plot No. 747, Chipura Chainpur, Sampatchak, Patna. This was also intimated to the CISCE on 03.10.2020. We are annexing the newspaper clippings from September – October 2019 to show the severity of the calamity in our area.(Annexure A)
(ii)	Transfer Certificate	Transfer certificate is not available. This is because no student took admission in Class 10.





(iii)	Attendance Register of the students (for the previous 2 years)	The Attendance Register of students for the past 2 years is attached. (Annexure B) We are willing to furnish the attendance register for the past 3 years of all the students, in case CISCE so demands, since all the students have been studying with us for the past 3 years at least. This would show that all the students in our School are bonafide and unsponsored. Currently, we are attaching scanned copy of attendance register for the past 2 years as has been requested.
(iv)	Record of absence of students	The record of absence of students is already marked in the Attendance Register. No separate record of absence is maintained.
(v)	Records of withdrawal of admission etc.	3 STUDENTS withdrew without giving any information to the School. Their names are [1] Akash Kumar, [2] Chahat Akash, [3] Anand. Since these three students left without completing any formalities, no separate documentation is available.
C.	Full particulars of students to be registered (Class IX) for the ICSE Examination 2027	Full details are attached in the Google Drive Link
(i)	Admission Forms and Admission Register for Students	We have already shared the Admission Form for 12 students that was in our records as these 12 students joined our School in the year 2025.





		Regarding the Admission Form of rest of the students, as indicated earlier, they were unfortunately destroyed during the severe and unprecedented rains leading to heavy water logging in Rajendra Nagar area during September - October 2019. Our school is situated in the same locality and was completely flooded during that time and we suffered heavily as many of our school and student records were destroyed in the flooding. All the admission forms and admission register were also destroyed during this flooding. [Annexure- C] After shifting to main building Plot No. 747, Chipura Chainpur, Sampatchak, Patna in 2020, we have diligently maintained all other student records so that destruction of admission form and admission register of students does not in any manner prejudice the students or the school. The CISCE was intimidated about the change of address on 03.10.2020. We are annexing the newspaper clippings from September - October 2019 to show the severity of the calamity in our area. (Annexure- A)
(ii)	Transfer Certificate and Issuance Register	The inward register details have already been shared. A copy is again being attached.





		(Annexure D) No outward record was maintained as no transfer certificate was issued by the School.
(iii)	Attendance Register for last 2 years	The Attendance Register for the last 2 years is attached. (Annexure E) We are also willing to share the attendance register of the last 3 years, in case the need so arises, as all our students are genuine and have been with the School for at least the past 3 years. This would show that all the students in our School are bonafide and unsponsored. Currently we are attaching scanned copy of attendance register for the past 2 years as has been requested.
(iv)	Record of Absence of Students	The absence of students is marked in the attendance register itself. Therefore, no separate record is maintained.

We hope the information provided by us as has been requested is sufficient to prove the bona fides of the School and the students studying with us.

It is also important to point out that we have not been provided with a copy of the alleged complaint based on which CISCE has undertaken the inspection.

The Inspection Report for the inspection done in our School on 18.02.2025 was not provided to us with the Show Cause Notice, but has been supplied only in the short reply of the CISCE to the writ petition WP(C) 14648/2025 filed by the School before the Hon'ble Delhi High Court. A reading of the Inspection Report would reflect the inherent flaws in the Inspection Report and raises serious





questions on the manner in which the inspection was conducted and how the Inspection Report was prepared. Some of these flaws are :

- a. The Inspection Report records that the Principal was not present in School. At the same time, the Inspection Report records that the Principal denied that the students were from any other School. The two observations are inherently contradictory.
- b. The Inspecting Team records the alleged reply of students giving Class X Board Examination. However, no information about the names of these students and at what time of the day were these students questioned mentioned in the Inspection Report. This is important because according to the Inspecting Team they visited the Rajendra Nagar premise at 10AM. From there, they were directed to a Campus allegedly one hour away. Between 11AM to 1PM, the students would have been in the examination hall, therefore, it is not clear which students were questioned by the Inspecting Team.
- c. The Email dated 27.02.2025 appears to be an attempt to substantiate the Inspection Report dated 25.02.2025 and to plug all loopholes that crept in the Inspection Report. No facts are mentioned in the Inspection Report but new facts have been created in the Email dated 27.02.2025. Clearly, the Inspection Report cannot be relied to initiate any proceedings against the School.
- d. There is no mention of the Director of the School in the Inspection Report dated 25.02.2025. However, as an afterthought a Director of the School being absent has been stated in the Email dated 27.02.2025. This prima facie exposes the prejudice of the Inspection Team.
- e. There is also no mention of the examination hall looking like a marriage hall in the Inspection Report, however, in the Email dated 27.02.2025, it has been alleged that the examination hall looked like a marriage hall. This is another





improvement which goes to the root of whether the Inspection Report can be relied to initiate proceedings against the School.

- f. There is no reason why the inspection was done on 18.02.2025 and inspection report prepared 7 days after inspection. Similarly, there is no occasion to further better the Inspection Report by an email dated 27.02.2025.

The aforesaid grounds have now been raised, as the School was not provided with the Inquiry Report and therefore, the School had no prior knowledge of the inherent flaws in the Inspection conducted by the CISCE.

In view of the aforesaid facts which clearly show the illegalities and errors in the Inspection Report, the CISCE should immediately withdraw the Inspection Report and the consequential proceedings.

The School reserves its right to challenge such illegal report at an appropriate time and in an appropriate proceeding.

Without prejudice to the above and in the interest of students studying in the School, the School is willing to suggest that the CISCE undertake a surprise inspection on any day, as the School has always been compliant with the CISCE Rules for Affiliation.

While the contents of the Inspection Report are disputed and under question, it is important to clarify the contents of the Show Cause Notice once again.

At the very outset, the Show Cause Notice based on a flimsy, inherently flawed and vague Inspection Report cannot be the basis of initiating proceedings against the School.

Without prejudice, it is reiterated that the Inspecting Team consisting of two officials had visited Red Carpet High School, Rajendra Nagar, Patna, where only an office is maintained for administrative purposes with some staff. Our School





premises is located at 747, Chipura Chainpur, Sampatchak, Patna. Therefore, the School was never closed. The change of address was intimated to the CISCE long back on 03.10.2020.

CISCE is also aware that 18.02.2025 was the first day of the Board Examination and therefore it was difficult to immediately adhere to any instruction of the Inspecting Team, as CISCE is aware of the stringent procedures for conduct of examinations, the strict time schedule that has to be followed and the importance of ensuring that the students who are taking the examinations are not inconvenienced in any way. The entire management of the School was engaged in ensuring smooth conduct of the examinations.

We had only requested for some time to produce the documents and information as was sought by the Inspecting Team, esp. as 2 supervisors and 6 invigilators were in the examination hall. The School had to ensure all facilities and smooth conduct of the examination before catering to the inspecting team, considering the importance that Board Examinations for the children.

The examination hall where examination was being conducted was actually built especially for examination and co-curricular activities. Surprisingly, the Inspecting Team did not take a tour of the entire premises, otherwise it would have come to know that there are 21 classrooms and all other facilities as is required to run the School.

Regarding a student referring himself to St Paul's International School, firstly, the Inspecting Team ought to have sought details from such student so that his records could be verified with us to ascertain whether he is a bona fide student of our School. However, no such exercise was undertaken by the Inspecting Team. Therefore, reference to such a student is only hearsay. Even otherwise, our School has several sources for inducting students in the School in Class IX. In Bihar, there





are many schools which do not have Class IX and X and therefore, such students take admission in Class IX in any other school affiliated to any Board.

Though the CISCE has alleged non-cooperation by the School, we were not provided with any list of documents by the Inspecting Team that was required by them. Had the Inspecting Team been a little more sympathetic to the situation and shown more concern and care towards the students who were undertaking the Board Examination, we are sure the situation would have been better handled and the Inspecting Team would have been fully satisfied of our bona fides.

It is reiterated that we have duly complied with Chapter I Rule VII (2) of the CISCE Rules for Affiliation. We have been affiliated with the CISCE since the year 2000 and our record speaks for itself. There has never been any proceeding against us and we are one of the leading schools in the State of Bihar. Therefore, it is surprising and unfortunate that we are being scrutinised after 24 years of being successfully in existence. All of the aforesaid, based on an unknown complaint and on the basis of an inherently flawed Inspection Report.

The CISCE should also consider that after the Show Cause Notice was issued on 17.03.2025. However, after initiation of these proceedings, the affiliation of our School was renewed for the year 2024-2025 by the CISCE itself on 01.04.2025. Therefore, any alleged basis of the proceedings stands nullified by the conduct of CISCE.

Be that as it may, we again reiterate that we are willing to cooperate and provide any other document / information that may be required by the CISCE. We would also request for a personal hearing from the CISCE.



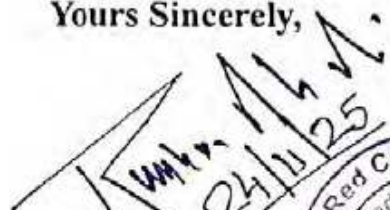


To conclude, all our students are genuine and bona fide. We have maintained all records except those that were destroyed due the heavy water logging. The records maintained by us, especially the record of attendance register for the past 3 years would indicate that all our students are genuine and have been attending the School regularly.

We hope the CISCE would consider our representation and information provided by us with utmost fairness, justness, keeping in mind the interest of our students and considering the fact that the Inspection Report has inherent inconsistencies and may not stand legal scrutiny.

With Warm Regards.

Yours Sincerely,


(Rahbar Abdin)
Director



10. The said reply led to passing of the impugned Order dated 15.01.2026 which reads as under:-



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Ref: CISCE/Dis-Affiliation/BI027

15th January 2026

To,
The Principal
Red Carpet High School,
Road No. 2-A, Rajendra Nagar,
Distt. - Patna, Bihar - 800016

Ref:

- Surprise Inspection Report dated 25.02.2025
- Show Cause Notice dated 17.03.2025 issued by the CISCE.
- Reply dated 11.04.2025 by the Red Carpet High School to CISCE.
- Letter dated 16.10.2025 issued by the CISCE.
- Final Opportunity Notice dated 17.11.2025 issued by the CISCE.
- Reply dated 24.11.2025 by the Red Carpet High School to CISCE.

Sub: Withdrawal of affiliation of Red Carpet High School, Road No. 2-A, Rajendra Nagar, Distt. - Patna, Bihar - 800016 to the CISCE.

Sir/Madam,

- We write regarding the surprise inspection report dated 25.02.2025 and the show cause notice dated 17.03.2025, which were placed before the Executive Committee of the CISCE for consideration.
- The Executive Committee noted that the Complaint letter dated 27.12.2024 was received that St. Paul's International School has been sponsoring the students for class X examinations (ICSE) through Red Carpet High school (BI027) having its affiliation with CISCE.
- CISCE deputed two inspectors to conduct a surprise inspection of the school on 18.02.2025 to ascertain the veracity of the aforesaid complaint.



4. Surprise Inspection Report dated 25.02.2025 revealed discrepancies, lack of cooperation from the school administration and the student's conflicting information. Therefore, it became evident that there were significant irregularities.
5. CISCE sent a show cause notice dated 17.03.2025 to the school directing to submit a written explanation within 30 days to the above-mentioned points and to further show cause as to why dis-affiliation proceedings should not be initiated against the school. The notice pointed out the violation of the CISCE Rules for Affiliation.
6. Your School vide letter dated 11.04.2025 replied to the show cause notice, refuted the allegations.
7. The matter was placed before the Executive Committee for consideration. The Executive Committee, after going through the show cause notice dated 17.03.2025 and the reply to the show cause notice dated 11.04.2025, directed to further verify the genuineness of the students.
8. In compliance with the directions of the Executive Committee, data provided by the School in response to the CISCE email dated 10.09.2025 was evaluated.
9. In the meanwhile, aggrieved by the delay in the registration process, the school approached the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide Writ Petition (C) No. 14648 of 2025. Hon'ble High Court vide order dated 26.09.2025 disposed off the writ petition upon CISCE's stand that the bona fide unsponsored students for the 2026 and 2027 examinations would be allowed for registration even after the deadline of 30.09.2025 without any late fee charge, and the verification process would be completed by the end of October 2025.



10. Upon verification of the data provided by the school, the genuineness of the students was not established. In compliance of the Hon'ble High Court Order dated 26.09.2025 the data submitted by the school was examined and a report was submitted by the affiliation section. From this report it was apparent that the school had given incomplete information and that the school had failed to establish that the students were genuine.
11. However, considering the interest and future of the students, CISCE permitted registration of students of Class 9th and confirmation of Entries of Class 10th. CISCE vide Letter dated 16.10.2025 gave the school the final opportunity to submit deficient data to prove the genuineness of the students within 7 days. The school was asked to provide deficient documents such as List of UIDs of the students along with admission forms and admission register, Transfer Certificate issuance Register, Attendance Register. It was pointed out that in absence of your response the disaffiliation proceedings shall be concluded.
12. CISCE vide letter dated 17.11.2025, considering your response dated 23.10.2025, granted time till 24.11.2025 to provide all the information required as enumerated in the letter dated 16.10.2025.
13. CISCE vide letter dated 17.11.2025, intimated that the grant of additional time will not create any right in the school's favour, and after considering all the information provided by the school, the dis-affiliation proceedings shall continue after 24.11.2025 without any further communication to the school.
14. The school has thereafter provided certain details along with the letter dated 24.11.2025. The data provided by the school has been examined and on further evaluation, found to be not satisfactory, inconclusive and deficient.
15. Upon considering all the information provided by the school including vide Letter dated 24.11.2025, the school has failed to prove the genuineness of the students. It is established that the school has breached



the CISCE Rules of Affiliation by sponsoring students from outside. The school has breached Clauses (b), (c), (d), (e), (g), (j), (k) of the Chapter I Rule VII(2) of the CISCE RULES FOR AFFILIATION.

Since the school persistently breached the CISCE Rules of Affiliation, the Executive Committee of the CISCE has decided to withdraw the affiliation of the Red Carpet High School, Road No. 2-A, Rajendra Nagar, Distt. - Patna, Bihar - 800016.

The affiliation granted to the School is hereby withdrawn with immediate effect.

16. School should not operate CISCE classes IX from the academic session 2026-27 onwards. However, students of present class IX who were allowed registration for the Examination year 2027 will be permitted to appear for the ICSE examinations to be held in the year 2027.

12. Hence, the present petition.

13. Mr. Biswas, learned counsel for the respondent, relies on paragraph Nos. 10 and 11 of the impugned Order, reproduced above, to state that the petitioner did not supply the requisite documents and gave incomplete information which lead to passing of the disaffiliation Order. He states that from the documents it was apparent that the petitioner School was sponsoring students from St. Paul's International School as the said school had been disaffiliated and the students were shown admitted in the petitioner School to permit them to carry on with their examination and the said school was deriving the benefits. Additionally, it is stated that the management of the petitioner School and St. Paul's International School are related.

14. I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

15. In the present case, the impugned Order in paragraph Nos. 14 and 15,



reproduced above, only shows that the respondent authority has examined the document and replies of the petitioner School and found them to be not satisfactory, inconclusive and deficient.

16. Additionally, it is stated that the petitioner School has breached the CISCE rules of affiliation and hence the petitioner School was disaffiliated.

17. I am of the view that the respondent is a Board and disaffiliating a school has serious consequences.

18. No doubt it is within the exclusive domain of the respondent to grant affiliation/disaffiliation but the principles of natural justice require that the response submitted by the petitioner School must be considered, analysed and a detailed speaking order needs to be passed. Merely stating that the document provided by the petitioner School were found to be “not satisfactory, inconclusive and deficient”, is not sufficient and definitely, not substitution to a speaking and reasoned order.

19. The Principles of Natural Justice contemplates that the aggrieved party must be given fullest opportunity to present its case before an adverse order is passed against the party. The Principles of Natural Justice have to be read in a meaningful and a comprehensive manner.

20. Merely stating that the documents were inconclusive/genuineness not established, is to my mind, cryptic and cannot be by any stretch construed as a speaking order. The order required to detail which documents were inconclusive and which documents were considered not genuine and for what reasons.

21. For the said reasons, the petition is allowed and the impugned Order dated 15.01.2026 is consequently set aside and consequential benefits shall ensue.



22. The petition only challenges the Order dated 15.01.2026, which has been now set aside and nothing prevents the respondent from proceeding in accordance with law.

23. With these directions, the present petition is disposed of, along with pending applications, if any.

JASMEET SINGH, J

MARCH 17, 2026/AS