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\* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**  
+ **W.P.(C) 4091/2026**  
**PRIYANSHU BENIWAL**

.....Petitioner

Through: Petitioner-in-person

versus

**AMITY UNIVERSITY & ANR.**

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Amitesh Kumar, Ms. Priti  
Kumari, Mr. Pankaj Kumar Ray,  
Advs. for R-1

**CORAM:**  
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH**

**ORDER**

% **30.03.2026**  
**CM APPL. 20035/2026**

Exemption granted, subject to all just exceptions.

The application stands disposed of.

**W.P.(C) 4091/2026**

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, directing the Respondent University to forthwith release and refund the unlawfully withheld amount of ₹74,500/- to the Petitioner, along with interest at the rate of 18% per annum (or such other rate as this Hon’ble Court deems fit) calculated from 02.11.2020*



*until the date of actual realization;*

*b) Issue a Writ of Certiorari or any other appropriate writ, order, or direction, quashing the “Amity University, Uttar Pradesh Academic Withdrawal Refund Guidelines 2020-21” to the extent that they are ultra vires and in direct contravention of the mandatory UGC Guidelines dated September 2020 and the Notification dated 17.12.2020;*

*c) Award exemplary costs and/or compensation to the tune of ₹2,00,000/- (or such other amount as this Hon’ble Court may deem just and equitable) in favor of the Petitioner and against the Respondent University, for the manifest violation of the Petitioner’s Fundamental Rights under Article 14, 19 and 21, the gross mental agony, and the financial hardship caused by the Respondent’s willful and contumacious defiance of statutory norms during a national emergency;*

*d) Issue appropriate directions to the University Grants Commission to initiate punitive actions against the Respondent University under Clause 5 of the UGC Notification on Refund of Fees dated October 2008 or any other Rules, in view of the systemic violations and pattern of defiance as evidenced in this case and similar complaints;*

*e) Direct an inquiry by an independent committee or the UGC into the Respondent University's admission and*



*refund practices during the Academic Session 2020-21, to ascertain the extent of illegal retentions from other students and mandate refunds with interest to all affected parties, with a report to be submitted to this Hon'ble Court within a time-bound period;...”*

2. Mr. Beniwal, who appears in person states that an amount of about Rs. 75,000/- paid as security deposit, has not been refunded.
3. For the said reasons, issue notice.
4. Mr. Kumar, learned counsel appears on advance notice and states that the amount will be refunded and the matter will be resolved to the petitioner's satisfaction.
5. Taking his statement on record and binding the respondent No. 1 to the same, the petition is disposed of.
6. In view of the above, there is no need to issue notice to respondent No. 2, i.e. UGC.

**JASMEET SINGH, J**

**MARCH 30, 2026/sp**