

एनसीटीई अपीलीय प्राधिकरण में/ IN THE NCTE APPELLATE AUTHORITY

राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.) जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE) G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075

दिनांक/ Date - 27.08.2025

पुनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/ APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT 89-253/E-371285/2025 Appeal/9th Meeting, 2025 APPLNRC202515187

Central Public School, Plot No.R-a 1/k-8/ps-1, Sector-Rajni Khand, Sharda Nagar Yojna, Dilkusha, Lucknow-226002	 Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT	RESPONDENT

Mr. Trideep Narayan Pandey, Director Regional Director, NRC	
27.08.2025	

APPELLATE ORDER WITH GROUNDS OF DECISION

I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of Central Public School, Plot No.R-a 1/k-8/ps-1, Sector-Rajni Khand, Sharda Nagar Yojna, Dilkusha, Lucknow-226002 dated 27.06.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the Order No. File No. NCTE / 2025 / NRC / PAR / ORDER / NRCAPP-9730 / 231202-231208 dated 20.05.2025 of the Northern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.El.Ed. Course on the grounds that "The justification/reply given by the institution against show cause notice for non-submission of PAR is not acceptable."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Mr. Trideep Narayan Pandey, Director of Central Public School, Plot No.R-a 1/k-8/ps-1, Sector-Rajni Khand, Sharda Nagar Yojna, Dilkusha, Lucknow-226002 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 26.07.2025. In the appeal report, it is submitted that "No Academic Activity in 2021-22 & 2022-23 as no admission was granted to B.El.Ed. students in these years due to absence of University affiliation. This is confirmed in the affiliation letter of Lucknow University annexed with our reply. 2.Since no students were admitted, no performance data existed for the said years, making it factually and legally impossible to submit PAR. 3. Withdrawal Order dated 22.05.2025 violates the second proviso to Section 17(1) which mandates that withdrawal of recognition shall come into effect only from the next academic session following communication. Yet, the order denies admission from 2025-26 itself. 4. In catena of judgments the Hon'ble Supreme Court emphasized a corrective approach rather than punitive withdrawal, especially where no deliberate disobedience was found. Institution is ready to comply with all the formalities."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 9th Meeting, 2025 held online on 26th July 2025 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had been granted recognition for B.El.Ed. course. Subsequently, the recognition was withdrawn by the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) on the ground of non-submission of reply to the Show Cause Notice and/or non-filing of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) for the academic years 2021–2022 and/or 2022–2023 vide order dated 20.05.2025. It was further noted that, as per the Public Notice issued, the last date for submission of the PAR was initially fixed as 10.11.2024, which was later extended up to 31.12.2024.

The Committee observed that, in terms of Section 12(k) of the NCTE Act, 1993, the decision of the General Body of the Council in its 61st Meeting held on 05.08.2024, and subsequent Public Notices, the submission of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) is a mandatory and time-bound compliance obligation for all recognized Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs). The PAR process necessarily includes not only the online submission of institutional information but also the successful payment of the prescribed fee, which forms an integral part of the process. In order to make all the TEI's aware regarding submission of PAR widespread publicity was given by various methods.

The Committee further noted the deliberations and resolution adopted by the General Body of NCTE in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting held on 28th July 2025, which is reproduced below in extenso:

"Decision of the Council:

In view of the above, the Council discussed and deliberated the agenda in detail and decided as under:

- 1. The council was informed that the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, in W.P. (C) No. 8569/2025 titled Seth Moti Lal Teachers Education College & Anr. And other connected matters, had posed a query to the NCTE regarding whether the re-opening of the portal for submission of PAR was possible. In response, the proposal was placed before the council for deliberations and discussions.
- 2. In view of the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, the General Body of the Council resolved to adopt, for its consideration and final approval, a strictly one-time, non-precedent-setting, and time-bound resolution, without leaving any scope for future reliance.

- In view of the commencement of the academic session from 01.08.2025, the TEIs that have not pursued any remedial measures against the withdrawal order passed by the respective Regional Committees under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 are deemed to be non-serious and/or fence-sitters. Accordingly, a cut-off date of 28.07.2025 has been rationally determined by the Council as a necessary administrative threshold to maintain academic discipline and institutional accountability. In the light of the same, only the following categories of TEIs will be eligible to avail the benefit of reopening of the PAR portal:
 - a) Those who have filed a Writ Petition before the Hob'ble Delhi High Court prior to the cut-off date of 28.07.2025; and
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- 4. The concerned TEIs shall be allowed to submit the PAR upon the reopening of the PAR Portal, subject to the payment of a processing fee of Rs. 25,000/- along with applicable GST and other statutory charges, per academic session.
- 5. In view of the foregoing discussion, all derecognition orders issued by the respective Regional Committee (s) shall stand withdrawn, subject to the condition that the concerned TEIs submit an undertaking to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon the reopening of the PAR Portal.
- 6. The PAR Portal shall be re-opened for a period of approximately three (3) weeks. A standard operating procedure (SOP) for the same shall be formulated.
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The name and official contact details of the Nodal Officer shall be notified separately through a Public Notice issued on the NCTE website."

In view of the above resolution, the Committee observed that the appellant institution, having not filed the PAR within the stipulated timelines, was deficient on this ground. However, in light of the decision of the General Body taken in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting on 28.07.2025 which permits reopening of the PAR portal for those institutions

that had filed appeal before the Appeal Committee prior to the cut-off date of 28.07.2025, and the undertaking submitted by the appellant institution to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon the re-opening of the PAR Portal, as well as the confirmation that no court case has been filed by the institution, the Committee concluded that the appellant institution falls within the eligible category.

The Committee also took note of the judicial pronouncements of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, including Rambha College of Education v. NCTE [W.P. (C) 3231/2016, judgment dated 23.02.2017], as well as orders dated 08.04.2021 in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 and 30.07.2021 in W.P. (C) 7260/2021, which mandate that subsequent documents submitted in the appeal must be considered.

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Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, and in view of the above observations and guided by the resolution of the General Body of NCTE in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting held on 28.07.2025, the Appeal Committee has decided to remand the case to the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) with a direction to ensure compliance as mandated therein. The appellant institution shall be permitted to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon reopening of the PAR Portal in accordance with the prescribed Standard Operating Procedure, and the Regional Committee shall thereafter take a reasoned decision in conformity with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and guidelines issued from time to time. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, the documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the Regional Committee shall take further necessary action strictly in accordance with law and in light of the directions contained herein.

IV. DECISION: -

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 20.05.2025 and remand back the case to Northern Regional Committee (NRC) for fresh consideration in accordance with the directions specified hereinabove. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, the documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the Regional Committee shall take further necessary action strictly in accordance with law and in light of the directions contained herein.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

उप सचिव (अपील)/ Deputy Secretary (Appeal)

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- 2. The Secretary, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

- 3. The Regional Director, Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi 110075.
- The Education Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Room No. 03, Naveen Bhawan, U.P. Secretariat, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh-226001.



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Sri Sanjeev College of Education, 63/1, Bangalore By pass Road, Lingasugar, Raichur, Karnataka- 584122	_	Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075
APPELLANT		RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Mr. Sanjeev Kumar S., Principal
Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC
Date of Hearing	26.07.2025
Date of Pronouncement	27.08.2025

APPELLATE ORDER WITH GROUNDS OF DECISION

I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of Sri Sanjeev College of Education, 63/1, Bangalore By pass Road, Lingasugar, Raichur, Karnataka-584122 dated 04.06.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the Order No. File No. NCTE / 2025 / SRC / PAR / ORDER / SRCAPP15146 / dated 01.06.2025 of the Southern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. Course on the grounds that "The institution has not submitted any reply to the show cause notice."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Mr. Sanjeev Kumar S., Principal of Sri Sanjeev College of Education, 63/1, Bangalore By pass Road, Lingasugar, Raichur, Karnataka-584122 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 26.07.2025. In the appeal report, it is submitted that "It is respectfully submitted that, the respondent was pleased to grant recognition/permission to the appellant under section14/15 of NCTE Act, 1993 for the Teacher Education Programme. lt is submitted that, the above said recognition/permission was granted vide recognition/permission No.F.SRO/NCTE/SRCAPP15146/B.ED/KA/2016-2017/84599 DATED: 24-05-2016. It is submitted that, after obtaining the recognition/permission from the respondent, the appellant had been obediently following the guidelines, rules and regulation and instructions issued by the respondent, as law abiding citizen. The appellant never intended to violate any direction issued by the respondent. It is submitted that, in obedience of the orders of the respondent about uploading of online performance Appraisal Report (PAR) for the academic session(s) 2021-22 and 2022-23 and other related documents, the appellant filled the online PAR application and at the last step due to technical issue and server error the appellant could not complete the application for those academic years. Thus, all possible effort made by the appellant failed. Nonuploading of the said information by the appellant is for bonafide reason and unintentional one. It is submitted that, the appellant received show cause notice in the second week of May-2025. The appellant had to go through the documents to give reply to the show cause notice, Hence, the appellant after going through the documents tried to upload the reply,

again the net system did not open. For the said reason the appellant has sent hard copy of the reply to the show cause notice to the respondent on 28-05-2025. The copy of the same is enclosed for kind perusal of the Hon'ble appellate authority. It is submitted that, the respondent was pleased to withdraw the recognition/permission granted vide his order bearing File No. NCTE/2025/SRC/PAR/ORDER/SRCAPP15146/, Dated: 01-06-2025. The copy of the same is enclosed for kind perusal of the Hon'ble appellate authority."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 9th Meeting, 2025 held online on 26th July 2025 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had been granted recognition for B.Ed. course. Subsequently, the recognition was withdrawn by the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) on the ground of non-submission of reply to the Show Cause Notice and/or non-filing of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) for the academic years 2021–2022 and/or 2022–2023 vide order dated 01.06.2025. It was further noted that, as per the Public Notice issued, the last date for submission of the PAR was initially fixed as 10.11.2024, which was later extended up to 31.12.2024.

The Committee observed that, in terms of Section 12(k) of the NCTE Act, 1993, the decision of the General Body of the Council in its 61st Meeting held on 05.08.2024, and subsequent Public Notices, the submission of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) is a mandatory and time-bound compliance obligation for all recognized Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs). The PAR process necessarily includes not only the online submission of institutional information but also the successful payment of the prescribed fee, which forms an integral part of the process. In order to make all the TEI's aware regarding submission of PAR widespread publicity was given by various methods.

The Committee further noted the deliberations and resolution adopted by the General Body of NCTE in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting held on 28th July 2025, which is reproduced below in extenso:

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The name and official contact details of the Nodal Officer shall be notified separately through a Public Notice issued on the NCTE website."

In view of the above resolution, the Committee observed that the appellant institution, having not filed the PAR within the stipulated timelines, was deficient on this ground. However, in light of the decision of the General Body taken in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting on 28.07.2025 which permits reopening of the PAR portal for those institutions that had filed appeal before the Appeal Committee prior to the cut-off date of 28.07.2025, and the undertaking submitted by the appellant institution to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon the re-opening of the PAR Portal, as well as the confirmation that no court case has been filed by the institution, the Committee concluded that the appellant institution falls within the eligible category.

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Vinayaga Education College, P.B.1851, Karuppur, Keelapuluvur Post, Vinayaganagar, Ariyalur Taluk, Perambalur, Tamil Nadu- 621707	 Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075
APPELLANT	RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	No one appeared	
Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC	
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APPELLATE ORDER WITH GROUNDS OF DECISION

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The Appeal Committee noted that the Appellant Institution filed a Writ Petition No. 21828 of 2025 before the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras and the Hon'ble

High Court passed an order dated 19.06.2025. The operative part of the order is as under:-

- "...5. As rightly contended by the learned Standing Counsel for the first respondent, the petitioner has got appellate remedy under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, therefore, this Court do not want to interfere with the impugned order. However, this Court gives liberty to the petitioner to prefer an appeal under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, before the Appellate Authority, within a period of two (2) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On such filing of an appeal, the Appellate Authority is directed to dispose of the appeal within a period of eight (8) weeks, thereafter. Until then, there shall be an order of interim stay of the impugned order, dated 21.05.2025.
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The Committee observed that, in terms of Section 12(k) of the NCTE Act, 1993, the decision of the General Body of the Council in its 61st Meeting held on 05.08.2024, and subsequent Public Notices, the submission of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) is a mandatory and time-bound compliance obligation for all recognized Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs). The PAR process necessarily includes not only the online submission of institutional information but also the successful payment of the prescribed fee, which forms an integral part of the process. In order to make all the TEI's aware regarding submission of PAR widespread publicity was given by various methods.

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 - 3. Address any queries, grievances, and technical or logistical issues that may arise during the implementation process.

The name and official contact details of the Nodal Officer shall be notified separately through a Public Notice issued on the NCTE website."

In view of the above resolution, the Committee observed that the appellant institution, having not filed the PAR within the stipulated timelines, was deficient on this ground. However, in light of the decision of the General Body taken in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting on 28.07.2025 which permits reopening of the PAR portal for those institutions that had filed appeal before the Appeal Committee prior to the cut-off date of 28.07.2025, and the undertaking submitted by the appellant institution to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon the re-opening of the PAR Portal, as well as the confirmation that no court case has been filed by the institution, the Committee concluded that the appellant institution falls within the eligible category.

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Noting the submission, and in view of the above observations and guided by the resolution of the General Body of NCTE in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting held on 28.07.2025, the Appeal Committee has decided to remand the case to the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) with a direction to ensure compliance as mandated therein. The appellant institution shall be permitted to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon reopening of the PAR Portal in accordance with the prescribed Standard Operating Procedure, and the Regional Committee shall thereafter take a reasoned decision in conformity with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and guidelines issued from time to time. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, the documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the Regional Committee shall take further necessary action strictly in accordance with law and in light of the directions contained herein.

IV. DECISION: -

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 21.05.2025 and remand back the case to the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) for fresh consideration in accordance with the directions specified hereinabove. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, the documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the Regional Committee shall take further necessary action strictly in accordance with law and in light of the directions contained herein.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

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- 3. The Regional Director, Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi 110075.
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राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् (एन.सी.टी.ई.) जी-7 सेक्टर-10 द्वारका, नई दिल्ली-110075

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE) G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075

दिनांक/ Date - 27.08.2025

पुनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/ APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT 89-286/E-372986/2025 Appeal/9th Meeting, 2025 APPLSRC202515221

St. Teresa Womens Teachers Training Institute, Plot No. 297/1, Chamarajpet, Sulthan Road, Banglore South, Karnataka Banglore, Pincode – 560018	Southern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi -110075
APPELLANT	RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sr. Prema C., Principal	
Respondent by	Regional Director, SRC	
Date of Hearing	26.07.2025	
Date of Pronouncement	27.08.2025	

APPELLATE ORDER WITH GROUNDS OF DECISION

I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of St. Teresa Womens Teachers Training Institute, Plot No. 297/1, Chamarajpet, Sulthan Road, Banglore South, Karnataka Banglore, Pincode – 560018 dated 30.06.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the Order No. NCTE/2025/SRC/PAR/ORDER/AOS00490/148759 dated 19.05.2025 of the Southern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting D.El.Ed. Course on the grounds that "The justification/reply given by the institution against show cause notice for non-submission of PAR is not acceptable."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sr. Prema C., Principal of St. Teresa Womens Teachers Training Institute, Plot No. 297/1, Chamarajpet, Sulthan Road, Banglore South, Karnataka Banglore, Pincode – 560018 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 26.07.2025. In the appeal report, it is submitted that "As per the NCTE norms we have been filling the PAR regularly and promptly, but we have made mistake while entering the order no. since we had another unit for the medium Kannada for which we have no admission since 2016. by mistake we have entered the order no of Kannada medium, but the details all are of English medium. English medium started in the year 1954 and been recognised by NCTE in 2000 Nov. 7th order no: (f.kr/ele/06/sro/ncte/2000-2001/987) and the intake is enhanced on 28/01/2005. with order No.F.SRO/NCTE/2004-05/276, because of this enhancement of intake order and Kannada medium order got confused and we have made a mistake in entering the correct order no. of English medium which is grant in aid by Karnataka government. here we request your kind self to accept our appeal and make a changes in the par that we have filled since 2018 onwards to till date is all of is belonged to the following order no. that is (f.kr/ele/06/sro/ncte/2000-2001/987 with aos00490). While submitting PAR from 2018 the aps01526 has been mentioned which is by mistake the aps No.is of Kannada medium section which is not having admissions from 2016. kindly consider this mistake and approve the correct order no. (f.kr/ele/06/sro/ncte/2000-2001/987) we have two AOS/APS no.s for two mediums of instructions 1. English Medium :AOS00490(grant in Aid) 2. Kannada Medium : APS01526(un Aided) while filling the par we have made a mistake in not entering AOS 00490 instead we have entered aps001526 which is of Kannada medium as we have no admissions since 2016. only English medium is functioning. so kindly make a changes or allow us to make a changes in recognition order no. We kindly request

support due to show cause notice dated 21st April 2025, and a withdrawal order of recognition of D.El.Ed program dated 19th May 2025, issued by SRC, NCTE. The institute has been consistently submitting its PAR as required since 2018. However, due to clerical error, the English medium program's (AOS00490) details were mistakenly submitted under the Kannada medium's APS No. APS01526, NCTE believes the reports were not submitted. The English medium program, NCTE in 2000. Rec. established in 1954 and recognized by F.K.R/ELE/06/SRO/NCTE/2000-2001-987 dated: 11/07/2000, (with No.AOS00490), is fully functional with grant-in-aid support. The Kannada medium program, opened in 2004, without aid, has not been operational since 2016 due to low admissions. The institute is requesting urgent help to: • Rectify the PAR submission error by updating the APS number. • Withdrawal the Kannada medium only, • Reinstate recognition for the English medium program, so we can continue admitting students for the 2025-26, academic year, which has already begun. In the reply of show cause notice we had not located exact problem. So, we had said that we tried multiple times to submit. But actually, the problem we located is as above explained. Thank you for your understanding and continued support."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 9th Meeting, 2025 held online on 26th July 2025 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for D.El.Ed. course with an annual intake of 30 students vide order dated 07.11.2000. The recognition of the institution was withdrawn by SRC vide order dt. 19.05.2025 on the ground that justification/reply given by the institution against show cause notice for non-submission of PAR is not acceptable. The Appeal Committee noted that this is the case of non-submission of Performance Appraisal Reports (PAR) for the academic sessions 2021-2022 and 2022-2023. As per the public notice issued, the last date for submission of the PAR was initially fixed as 10.11.2024, which was subsequently extended up to 31.12.2024.

The Appeal Committee in its 9th Meeting held on 26th July 2025 through online mode considered the appeal of the appellant institution. The Committee perused the Appeal Report, documents available on record, and heard the oral submissions made by

the appellant. The Committee noted that the appellant institution was granted recognition for the D.El.Ed. programme duration with an annual intake of 30 students. The Southern Regional Committee (SRC) had withdrawn the institution's recognition vide order dated 19.05.2025 on the ground that the justification furnished in response to the show cause notice for non-submission of Performance Appraisal Reports (PARs) was not acceptable. The Appeal Committee observed that the withdrawal of recognition was primarily based on non-submission of PARs for the academic sessions 2021–2022 and 2022–2023. As per the public notice issued by NCTE, the last date for submission of PARs was initially fixed as 10.11.2024 and subsequently extended up to 31.12.2024.

The institution contended that it has filed the PAR for 2021–2022 and 2022–2023, and due to mistake while entering the order no. it had another unit for the medium Kannada for which it has no admission since 2016 have entered the order no. of Kannada medium, but the details filled in the PAR Portal all are of English medium. The appellant institution started English medium in the year 1954 and been recognised by NCTE in 2000 the intake is enhanced on 28/01/2005.

The Appeal Committee took note of the explanation furnished and the documentary proof submitted, including: (a) The receipt of submission of PAR for the session 2021–2022 & 2022-2023. The Appeal Committee upon consideration found that the issues raised require reconsideration and verification by the concerned Regional Committee. Accordingly, in exercise of its powers under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993, and in line with the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi dated 23.02.2017 in Rambha College of Education v. NCTE [W.P. (C) No. 3231/2016], which mandates that all subsequent documents submitted with the appeal must be taken into account, the Appeal Committee decided to remand the case back to SRC for reconsideration.

Appeal Committee noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 08.04.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 4382/2021 has observed as follows: -

"Appellate Committee of NCTE, is directed to ensure that, whenever an order of remand is

passed, the status of the impugned is clearly spelt out so that the institution is not compelled to approach the Court in this manner."

Appeal Committee noted that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide order dated 30.07.2021, passed in W.P. (C) 7260/2021 has observed as follows: -

"Although the Appellate Committee of the NCTE would be well advised to expressly quash the original order of the concerned Regional Committee while remanding the matter, the position in law is that the order automatically stands quashed. The institution is, therefore, entitled to the benefits of recognition until a fresh withdrawal order is passed."

In view of the afore-mentioned extracts of the court orders, the case of the appellant institution is remanded back to SRC for revisiting the matter.

Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, Appeal Committee decided to set aside the implunged order dated 19.05.2025 and remand back the case to SRC with a direction to re-examine the submission of PARs by the institution and consider the documentary evidence furnished with the appeal in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and guidelines issued from time to time. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the SRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of order of the Appeal and after receipt of the same the SRC to take further necessary action as per the NCTE Regulation, 2014, guidelines and amendments issued from time to time as per direction given herein above.

IV. DECISION: -

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to remand back the case to SRC with a direction <u>re-examine the</u>

submission of PARs by the institution and consider the documentary evidence furnished with the appeal in accordance with the provisions of the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and guidelines issued from time to time. The Appellant institution is directed to forward to the SRC the documents submitted in appeal within 15 days from the receipt of order of the Appeal and after receipt of the same the SRC to take further necessary action as per the NCTE Regulation, 2014, guidelines and amendments issued from time to time as per direction given herein above.

उपरोक्त निर्णय अपील समिति की ओर से सूचित किया जा रहा है।/ The above decision is being communicated on behalf of the Appeal Committee.

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दिनांक/ Date - 27.08.2025

पुनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/ APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT 89-288/E-372971/2025 Appeal/9th Meeting, 2025 APPLWRC202515211

Shri Mahila Adhyapan Mandir Savarkundla, Mahuva Road Nadi Kanthe Savarkundla, Gujarat, Amreli, Pincode – 364515	 Western Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT	RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Sh. Babubhai Jethabhai Chavda, Principal		
Respondent by	Regional Director, WRC		
Date of Hearing	26.07.2025		
Date of Pronouncement	27.08.2025		

APPELLATE ORDER WITH GROUNDS OF DECISION

I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of Shri Mahila Adhyapan Mandir Savarkundla, Mahuva Road Nadi Kanthe Savarkundla, Gujarat, Amreli, Pincode - 364515 dated 07.07.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the Order No. File No. NCTE / 2025 / WRC / PAR / ORDER / 312016 / 2794 dated 16.05.2025 of the Western Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting D.El.Ed. Course on the grounds that "The justification/reply given by the institution against show cause notice for non-submission of PAR is not acceptable."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Sh. Babubhai Jethabhai Chavda, Principal of Shri Mahila Adhyapan Mandir Savarkundla, Mahuva Road Nadi Kanthe Savarkundla, Gujarat, Amreli, Pincode – 364515 appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 26.07.2025. In the appeal report, it is submitted that "Our institute old and granted every year we carefully fill every report. this time also filling PAR report 2022-23 but not follow some work. I request you to take a positive decision keeping in mind the interests of the female students. thank you."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 9th Meeting, 2025 held online on 26th July 2025 took up this Appeal and perused the Appeal Report, documents available on the records and heard oral arguments advanced during the Meeting.

The Appeal Committee noted that the appellant institution had been granted recognition for D.El.Ed. Course. Subsequently, the recognition was withdrawn by the Western Regional Committee on the ground of non-submission of reply to the Show Cause Notice and/or non-filing of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) for the academic years 2021–2022 and/or 2022–2023 vide order dated 16.05.2025. It was further noted that, as per the Public Notice issued, the last date for submission of the PAR was initially fixed as 10.11.2024, which was later extended up to 31.12.2024.

The Committee observed that, in terms of Section 12(k) of the NCTE Act, 1993, the decision of the General Body of the Council in its 61st Meeting held on 05.08.2024,

and subsequent Public Notices, the submission of the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) is a mandatory and time-bound compliance obligation for all recognized Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs). The PAR process necessarily includes not only the online submission of institutional information but also the successful payment of the prescribed fee, which forms an integral part of the process. In order to make all the TEI's aware regarding submission of PAR widespread publicity was given by various methods.

The Committee further noted the deliberations and resolution adopted by the General Body of NCTE in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting held on 28th July 2025, which is reproduced below in extenso:

"Decision of the Council:

In view of the above, the Council discussed and deliberated the agenda in detail and decided as under:

- 1. The council was informed that the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, in W.P. (C) No. 8569/2025 titled Seth Moti Lal Teachers Education College & Anr. And other connected matters, had posed a query to the NCTE regarding whether the re-opening of the portal for submission of PAR was possible. In response, the proposal was placed before the council for deliberations and discussions.
- 2. In view of the observations of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, the General Body of the Council resolved to adopt, for its consideration and final approval, a strictly one-time, non-precedent-setting, and time-bound resolution, without leaving any scope for future reliance.
- In view of the commencement of the academic session from 01.08.2025, the TEIs that have not pursued any remedial measures against the withdrawal order passed by the respective Regional Committees under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 are deemed to be non-serious and/or fence-sitters. Accordingly, a cut-off date of 28.07.2025 has been rationally determined by the Council as a necessary administrative threshold to maintain academic discipline and institutional accountability. In the light of the same, only the following categories of TEIs will be eligible to avail the benefit of reopening of the PAR portal:
 - a) Those who have filed a Writ Petition before the Hob'ble Delhi High Court prior to the cut-off date of 28.07.2025; and
 - b) Those who have filed an appeal before the NCTE, Appeal Committee prior to the cut-off date of 28.07.2025.

- 4. The concerned TEIs shall be allowed to submit the PAR upon the reopening of the PAR Portal, subject to the payment of a processing fee of Rs. 25,000/- along with applicable GST and other statutory charges, per academic session.
- In view of the foregoing discussion, all derecognition orders issued by the respective Regional Committee (s) shall stand withdrawn, subject to the condition that the concerned TEIs submit an undertaking to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon the reopening of the PAR Portal.
- 6. The PAR Portal shall be re-opened for a period of approximately three (3) weeks. A standard operating procedure (SOP) for the same shall be formulated.
- 7. To ensure smooth and effective implementation of the proposed mechanism, a dedicated Nodal Officer shall be appointed. The Nodal Officer shall be responsible to:
 - 1. Oversee and supervise the re-opening of the PAR portal;
 - 2. Serve as the single point of contact for all communications with the eligible TEIs; and
 - 3. Address any queries, grievances, and technical or logistical issues that may arise during the implementation process.

The name and official contact details of the Nodal Officer shall be notified separately through a Public Notice issued on the NCTE website."

In view of the above resolution, the Committee observed that the appellant institution, having not filed the PAR within the stipulated timelines, was deficient on this ground. However, in light of the decision of the General Body taken in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting on 28.07.2025 which permits reopening of the PAR portal for those institutions that had filed appeal before the Appeal Committee prior to the cut-off date of 28.07.2025, and the undertaking submitted by the appellant institution to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon the re-opening of the PAR Portal, as well as the confirmation that no court case has been filed by the institution, the Committee concluded that the appellant institution falls within the eligible category.

The Committee also took note of the judicial pronouncements of the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, including Rambha College of Education v. NCTE [W.P. (C) 3231/2016, judgment dated 23.02.2017], as well as orders dated 08.04.2021 in W.P. (C) 4382/2021

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Noting the submission and verbal arguments advanced during the hearing, and in view of the above observations and guided by the resolution of the General Body of NCTE in its 67th (Emergent) Meeting held on 28.07.2025, the Appeal Committee has decided to remand the case to the Western Regional Committee (WRC) with a direction to ensure compliance as mandated therein. The appellant institution shall be permitted to apply afresh and resubmit a duly filled PAR upon reopening of the PAR Portal in accordance with the prescribed Standard Operating Procedure, and the Regional Committee shall thereafter take a reasoned decision in conformity with the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, the NCTE Regulations, 2014, and guidelines issued from time to time. The

appellant institution is further directed to forward to the Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, the documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the Regional Committee shall take further necessary action strictly in accordance with law and in light of the directions contained herein.

IV. DECISION: -

After perusal of the Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing, Appeal Committee of the Council concluded to set aside the impugned order dated 16.05.2025 and remand back the case to Western Regional Committee for fresh consideration in accordance with the directions specified hereinabove. The appellant institution is further directed to forward to the Regional Committee, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this order, the documents submitted along with the appeal, whereupon the Regional Committee shall take further necessary action strictly in accordance with law and in light of the directions contained herein.

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