

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 - 29.08.2025

<u>एनसीटीई अधिनियम की धारा 18 के तहत दायर अपील/</u> <u>APPEAL FILED UNDER SECTION 18 OF NCTE ACT</u> 89-213/E-368973/2025 Appeal/11th Meeting, 2025 APPLNRC202515139

Babe Ke College of Education, 3205 to 3906, V.P.O. Daudhar Garbi, Maddo-Ke Road, Moga, Punjab-142053	 Northern Regional Committee, Plot No. G-7, Sector – 10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075
APPELLANT	RESPONDENT

Representative of Appellant	Ms. Jaskiran Kaur Dayal, Officiating Principal		
Respondent by	Regional Director, NRC		
Date of Hearing	26.08.2025		
Date of Pronouncement	29.08.2025		

आदेश/ ORDER

I. GROUNDS OF WITHDRAWAL

The appeal of Babe Ke College of Education, 3205 to 3906, V.P.O. Daudhar Garbi, Maddo-Ke Road, Moga, Punjab-142053 dated 11.06.2025 filed under Section 18 of NCTE Act, 1993 is against the Order No. F. No. NRC / NCTE / PB-261, PB-421 & NRCAPP-1027 / B.Ed., B.Ed. Add. & M.Ed. / 433rd Meeting (Sl.No.6) / 2025 / 229348 dated 05.05.2025 of the Northern Regional Committee, withdrawing recognition for conducting B.Ed. Course on the grounds that "The institution has not submitted proof / evidence to prove that it is a multi-disciplinary institution as per clause 2(b) of NCTE Regulations, 2014. The institution has submitted the Land documents which are in regional language and are not certified Notarized English translation of the same is not submitted. The Institution has submitted a copy of the building plan signed by Architect, Hardeep Kumar in place of the Competent Govt. Authority. Also plat no Khasra no., name of the course for which the plan is prepared, total land area and total built up area are not mentioned in the building plan. The institution has submitted the photocopy Land Use Certificate dated 06.09.2006 issued by Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat, Daudhar (Moga) and not from the Competent Government Authority. The institution has submitted non-encumbrance certificate dated 25.09.2022 in regional language. Notarized English translation of the same is not submitted. The institution has not submitted a Certified copy of site plan showing the demarcated land area for running different courses. The institution has submitted photocopy of Building Safety Certificate in regional language. Notarized English translation of the same is not submitted. Certificate to the effect that the building is differently abled friendly from the Competent Government Authority is not submitted. The institute has submitted a Building Completion certificate dated 01.02.2012 approved by Sarpanch and Private Architect and not from the Competent Government Authority. The institution has not submitted the latest faculty list approved & signed by affiliating body with the details of their teaching subject, date of birth, date of selection, date of joining, academic qualifications, teaching experience, NET/ Ph.D. (NCTE Notification dated 09.06.2017) along with notarized original affidavit of Rs. 100/-on non-judicial stamp paper by the management and Rs. 50/-non-judicial stamp paper by each selected appointed faculty. The institution has not submitted the details of salary disbursed to the faculty along with six months Bank statement and account number of each faculty members. The Institution has maintained a Reserve Fund of Rs.3.00 lakh only for each Programme (B.Ed. M.Ed. and D.El.Ed.) whereas as per the NCTE Regulations 2014, the institution is required to maintain FDR of Rs. 7.00 lakh towards reserve fund for each programme. The institutions website http://www.habekegroupofinstitutes.com is not working. The institution has not adhered to the mandatory disclosure and not displayed up to date information on its official website as per Regulation 8(14) of the NCTE Regulations 2014."

II. SUBMISSIONS MADE BY APPELLANT: -

Ms. Jaskiran Kaur Dayal, Officiating Principal of Babe Ke College of Education, 3205 to 3906, V.P.O. Daudhar Garbi, Maddo-Ke Road, Moga, Punjab-**142053** appeared online to present the case of the appellant institution on 26.08.2025. In the appeal report, it is submitted that "The reply to NCTE letter dated 30.03.2021 was submitted with necessary documents by the institute by speed post No. EP612770585IN dated 12.04.2021 through office letter no. BKCE/NCTE/1199 dated 12.04.2021. From the inception of the institution in 2005, all statutory documents have consistently been submitted in the regional language, which was never previously objected to by the NCTE in any correspondence or inspection. However, as per the recent concern raised in the withdrawal order, all relevant land documents have now been translated into English and duly attested by a competent authority. The same are BEING submitted BY HARD COPYIV for your records and verification. At no stage has the Hon'ble Council mandated that such documents must be SENT AGAIN WITH SIGNS OF OTHER COMPETENT AUTHORITY, HOWEVER, NOW The building plan and other documents duly signed and approved by the competent authority as per the regulatory requirements ARE BEING SUBMITTED THROUGH HARD COPY. At the time of the institution's establishment in 2005-06, the land was situated in a rural area of Punjab. According to the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961, the Sarpanch, as the head of the Gram Panchayat, held authority over local governance and administrative matters in rural areas. Therefore, the Sarpanch approval was considered valid for land use certification in such regions. Recognizing the evolving regulatory framework, the college has applied online through Invest Punjab Portal for the Land Use Certificate and the Building Completion Certificate from the office of the District Town Planning, Moga. The screenshot of the application on the portal is ATTACHED IN THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL. The processing of these applications is currently underway, and being a government procedure, it is expected to take three to four months. The Land Use Certificate and the Building Completion Certificate duly issued and certified by the competent District Town Planning Authority shall be submitted to the NCTE without any failure immediately upon receipt. An undertaking in this context by the Chairman is enclosed IN THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL FILE. The institution respectfully submits that the original Non-Encumbrance Certificate was issued by the competent land authority in the regional language, which was standard practice for all such official documents at the time. We acknowledge the requirement for an English version and have now taken immediate corrective action. A notarized English translation has been duly prepared and attested by a certified translator and a notary public is enclosed IN THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL FILE. The certified copy of the site plan by the competent authority is enclosed iN THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL FILE. The institution respectfully submits that the original Non-Encumbrance Certificate was issued by the competent land authority in the regional language, which was standard practice for all such official documents at the time. We acknowledge the requirement for an English version and have now taken immediate corrective action. The notarized English translation of the building Safety Certificate is enclosed IN THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL FILE. The photocopy of the certificate for Differently abled friendly building by the competent authority is enclosed IN THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL FILE. At the time of construction in 2005 and 2012, the institution was situated in a rural area of Punjab. According to the Punjab municipal building by-laws, 2017, the requirement for a completion certificate from the competent authority applied primarily to areas within municipal limits. In rural areas, such as the institution's location, the sarpanch, as the head of the gram panchayat, held authority over local governance and administrative matters. Consequently, the Sarpanchs approval, along with that of a private architect, was deemed sufficient for certifying the completion of the building. Recognizing the evolving regulatory landscape, the

institution has proactively sought to align with current standards. A formal application for a building completion certificate has been applied online through invest Punjab portal for the building completion certificate from the office of the district town planning. Moga. The screenshot of the portal is enclosed in the hard copy of appeal file. The processing of these applications is currently underway, and being a government procedure, it is expected to take three to four months. The building completion certificate duly issued and certified by the competent district town planning authority shall be submitted to the NCTE without any failure immediately upon receipt. An undertaking in this context by the chairman is enclosed is enclosed in the hard copy of appeal file. The institution respectfully submits that the latest faculty list including all required details has been duly compiled, signed by the Deputy registrar Colleges, Panjab university Chandigarh, fresh set of notarized affidavits on Rs. 100/- nonjudicial stamp paper from the Chairman of the College and Rs. 50/- stamp paper affidavits from each appointed faculty member have now been executed and are being submitted WITH THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL FILE Further, for the vacant posts as per requirement for a single B.Ed. Unit (50 seats), the advertisement published in National Daily for the appointment assistant professors and a regular Principal is enclosed IN WITH THE HARD COPY OF APPEAL FILE. The institution acknowledges the importance of financial transparency and confirms that all faculty members have been receiving their salaries through bank transfers regularly, in accordance with NCTE norms. The duly attested photocopy of the salary statements of the Current faculty showing the details of the salary disbursed in the last six months, the bank statement of the College, Additionally, affidavits from individual faculty members, confirming receipt of their salaries, are submitted as supporting evidence enclosed IN THE HARD COPY OF THE APPEAL. Upon receiving the observation, the institution has immediately taken corrective steps to comply with the current regulations. We are pleased to inform you that: • The deficit amount has now been rectified, and • A fresh Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) of Rs. 7 lakh per program (D.El.Ed and B.Ed.) as reserve fund has been created as: 1. B.Ed. Course Reserve Fund FDR No.: 591027 2. D.El.Ed. Course Reserve Fund FDR No.: 591028 The photocopies of the newly issued FDRs HAVE BEEN ENCLOSED IN THE HARD COPY OF THE APPEAL FILE. The institution respectfully submits that the above domain was changed following a change in the management, and this change was duly communicated to the NCTE in our reply to the show cause notice. Furthermore, at the time of filing the Performance Appraisal Report (PAR) 2021-22 and 2022-23, the college had submitted clear screenshots of the functional website, along with the new domain information. The updated and active website contains: • Complete faculty details • All mandatory NCTE disclosures • Infrastructure details, intake capacity, and other institutional information. The current functional website of the college is: http://www.babekegroupofinstitutes.org We respectfully submit that the college website has remained functional and updated, and we request the Council to kindly consider this clarification and the previously submitted evidence. The institution strongly submits that it has fully complied with the mandatory disclosure requirements as laid down in Regulation 8(14) of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. • All required disclosures, including details related to infrastructure, faculty, sanctioned programs, intake, financial statements, recognition orders, affiliation status, and other relevant data, have been regularly updated and displayed on the institution's official website: i.e., www.babekegroupofinstitutes.org • The current website has been structured in full compliance with NCTE-prescribed format and is being actively maintained. The recognition orders of B.Ed. Course and D.El.Ed. Courses have been attached in the hard copy of the appeal. further, it is submitted that the institution is part of a larger group of institutions i.e. Babe Ke group of institutions that includes nursing institute and Ayurvedic medical college. The group is managed by the same parent trust, and functioning on the same campus under the same administrative structure. The nursing and Ayurvedic programs are recognized by their respective statutory bodies i.e. Indian nursing council and national commission for Indian system of medicine. The recognition orders are attached with the hard copy of the appeal file."

III. OUTCOME OF THE CASE: -

The Appeal Committee in its 11th Meeting, 2025 held online on 26th August 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 B.Ed. course of one year duration with an annual intake of 100 students vide order dated 30.06.2005 followed by an additional intake of 100 students vide order dated 02.08.2007 thus making total intake of 200 students. The Revised Recognition Order was issued to the institution for B.Ed. course of two years duration with an annual intake of 200 students i.e. four basic units of 50 students each from the academic session 2015-2016 vide order dated 27.05.2015. The recognition of the institution for B.Ed. programme was withdrawn by the NRC vide order dated 05.05.2025.

The instant matter was placed in its 8th Meeting, 2025 held on 04.07.2025 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee perused the relevant records and the documents submitted by appellant institution. The Appeal Committee in order to consider the case of the appellant institution on merits, decided to ask the appellant institution to submit certain clarification/documents alongwith affidavit before the Appeal Committee. However the institution failed to submit the required documents.

The instant matter was placed in its 11th Meeting, 2025 held on 26.08.2025 before the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee considered the documents submitted alongwith the Appeal Report and after careful examination of the records and submissions made by the appellant institution. The Appeal Committee noted that NRC in its withdrawal order pointed out that the appellant institution has not submitted the latest faculty list approved & signed by affiliating body with the details of their teaching subject, date of birth, date of selection, date of joining, academic qualifications, teaching experience, NET/ Ph.D. (NCTE Notification dated 09.06.2017) along with notarized original affidavit of Rs. 100/-on non-judicial stamp paper by the management and Rs. 50/-non-judicial stamp paper by each selected appointed faculty. The institution has not submitted the details of salary disbursed to the faculty along with six months Bank statement and account number of each faculty member.

The Appeal Committee on perusal of the documents noted that the institution has not appointed requisite faculty as per provisions of the NCTE Regulations. The appellant institution in its own submission stated that for the vacant posts as per requirement for a single B.Ed. Unit (50 seats), the advertisement has been published

in National Daily for the appointment assistant professors and a regular Principal. Therefore, the appellant institution failed to establish continuous appointment of duly qualified faculty in accordance with the NCTE Regulations. The documents produced are incomplete and do not contain contemporaneous evidence of valid selection, University approval, or verified disbursal of salary through banking channels. The deficiency is substantive and not procedural. The Appeal Committee, however, noted with concern that the institution was granted recognition in the year 2005 and, despite a lapse of nearly two decades, it has failed to maintain faculty strength as per the prescribed norms under Appendix 4 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014. This persistent failure to appoint qualified and adequate number of faculty constitutes a continuing violation of the mandatory norms and is not acceptable.

The Appeal Committee also noted that the institution regarding land & building documents contended that, at the time of its establishment in 2005–06, the land was situated in a rural area of Punjab, and under the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961, the approval of the Sarpanch of the Gram Panchayat was considered valid for land use certification in rural regions. The appellant has further submitted that, in order to comply with the current regulatory framework, it has applied online through the Invest Punjab Portal for issuance of the Land Use Certificate and Building Completion Certificate from the office of the District Town Planning Authority, Moga. The processing of these applications is underway, and the institution has furnished an undertaking that the same shall be submitted to NCTE immediately upon receipt. The institution has also submitted that English translations of various land and building-related documents, previously filed only in regional language, have now been duly notarized and enclosed in the appeal file. It has further furnished a certificate site plan, an English translation of the Building Safety Certificate, a certificate for differently abled accessibility.

The Appeal Committee noted that reliance on approvals by the Sarpanch/Gram Panchayat and a private architect does not meet the statutory requirement under the NCTE Regulations, 2014, which mandate approvals from the competent statutory authority. The fresh applications stated to be pending before the District Town

Planning Authority cannot retrospectively cure the deficiency. This constitutes a core eligibility requirement and goes to the root of recognition.

The Appeal Committee on careful examination Appeal Report, documents on record and oral arguments advanced during the online hearing found that the deficiencies noted in the withdrawal order continue to subsist. In particular, despite being recognized since 2005, the institution has failed to demonstrate the availability and appointment of a regular qualified faculty as per the NCTE Regulations, which constitutes a fundamental non-compliance. The reliance on approvals by the Sarpanch and a private architect in lieu of competent statutory authorities further reflects serious irregularities. Further the appellant institution was afforded multiple opportunities to address and resolve the deficiencies pertaining to the land status and other statutory requirements, however, the institution failed to bring itself into compliance with the regulatory obligations.

Accordingly, the Appeal Committee is of the considered view that the land, building, and faculty-related documents submitted by the appellant institution are not in conformity with the mandatory provisions prescribed under the NCTE Regulations, 2014 and the appellant institution has been in continuous, repeated, and willful default of the statutory norms, minimum standards, and conditions of recognition laid down under the NCTE framework. The deficiencies identified are not mere technical or procedural in nature but constitute substantive non-compliance, undermining the foundational academic and infrastructural parameters essential for delivering quality teacher education.

In view of the above and having found no credible justification or compliance on the part of the appellant, the Appeal Committee holds that the withdrawal of recognition by the Northern Regional Committee (NRC) was legally tenable and warranted and decided that the instant appeal deserves to be rejected and therefore, the impugned withdrawal order dated 05.05.2025 issued by NRC is confirmed.

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 that the NRC was justified in withdrawing the recognition and decided that the instant appeal deserves to be rejected and therefore, the impugned withdrawal order dated 05.05.2025 issued by NRC is confirmed.

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)

Copy to :-

- 1. The Principal, Babe Ke College of Education, 3205 to 3906, V.P.O. Daudhar Garbi, Maddo-Ke Road, Moga, Punjab-142053.
- 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.
- 4. The Education Secretary, Department of Education, Govt. of Punjab, Vidya Bhawan, Block E, 5th Floor, Phase-VIII, SAS Nagar (Mohali)-Punjab-160062.