NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION SOUTHERN REGIONAL COMMITTEE G-7, DWARKA SECTOR – 10 NEW DELHI – 110075

The **476**th **Meeting** of the Southern Regional Committee (SRC), National Council for Teacher Education held on **24**th **October, 2025** through (<u>Online Mode</u>) at the Conference Hall, SRC, NCTE, New Delhi.

The following Members were present during the meeting in Online mode.

1.	Prof. Meena Chandawarkar	Chairperson (Online)
2.	Prof. S. Mani	Member (Online)
3.	Dr. Shankar Paripally	Member (Online)
4.	Prof. Prahlad Joshi	Member (Online)
5.	Prof. Vanaja Mahadasu	Member (Online)
6.	Prof. Gavisiddappa Rudrappa Angadi	Member (Online)
7.	Dr. C. Geethalakshmi	State RepGovt. of Tamilnadu (Online)
8.	Sh. Mukesh Kumar	Regional Director and Convener, SRC, NCTE

At the outset **Sh. Mukesh Kumar, Regional Director,** and Convener, SRC welcomed the Chairperson and all other members, apprised about the work done by the SRC along with the directions received from NCTE Hgrs. from time to time.

	Confirmation of the Minutes of 475 th meeting of SRC The Minutes of the 475 th meeting of SRC were confirmed by SRC	
	Action Taken report of the Minutes of 475th meeting of SRC	
	The SRC Noted the ATR of the Minutes of the 475th meeting of SRC	

The Committee has taken up the following agenda items of 476th Meeting.

1. Sri Pinnamaneni Koteswara Rao College of Education, Plot/Khasara No. 6-127/1, 7th Ward, Mudinepalli Village and Post, Mudinepalli Mandal Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh.

File No:- SRCAPP477, SRCAPP2398 Programme:- D.El.Ed, D.El.Ed-Al

The original file of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, the SRC after careful consideration made the following observations: -

1. The recognition u/s 14 (3)(a) of NCTE Act, 1993 was granted to the institution namely, SPKR College of Education, Plot/Khasara No. 6-127/1, 7th Ward, Mudinepalli Village and Post Office, mudinepaly Taluk, Gudivada Town, Krishna District-521325, Andhra Pradesh vide order no. F.SRCAPP477/ D.El.Ed./AP/2012/45612 dated 29.08.2012 & SRO/NCTE/ SRCAPP2398/ D.El.Ed-Al/AP/2016-2017/84555 dated 25.04.2016 for conducting D.El.Ed. & D.El.Ed-Al course of two year duration with an annual intake of 50 students & 50 students from the academic session 2012-2013 & 2016-2017

respectively.

- 2. SRC vide an order dated 15-03-2021 withdrew the recognition for D.El.Ed. and D.El.Ed.(Al) programs w.e.f. academic year 2021–2022 under section 17(1) of NCTE Act,1993 on ground that:-
 - 1. "A letter No. RC. No.359/A/SCERT/2019 dated 29.06.2020 received from the Commissioner, School Education (FAC), School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh recommending therein for derecognition order in respect of 188 Pvt. D.El.Ed colleges have made admissions during academic year 2018-2019 on their own in violation of Government orders."
 - 2. Pursuant to which SCN dated 3.11.2020 for D.El.Ed (Al) and SCN dated 22.2.2021 for D.El.Ed were issued.
- 3. The institutions approached the Hon'ble Court of Andhra Pradesh in W.P. No. 18252/2024 and the Hon'ble Court *vide* Order dated 1st October 2024 has disposed of the case with the following direction :-
 - 11. On careful perusal of the provision that withdrawal of recognition is after giving a reasonable opportunity to such recognised institution. Hence, the contention raised by the institution is acceptable.
 - 12. In view of the provision appended to Section 17 (1) of the Act, 1993, the respondents invariably have to issue a notice before de-recognising the institution.
 - "13. As there is a dispute with regard to the issuance of show cause notice, the 3rd respondent is hereby directed to issue a fresh show cause notice to the petitioners-institutions calling for explanation and, on receiving such show cause notice, the petitioners-institutions are hereby directed to submit explanation. On receiving such explanation, the 3rd respondent shall pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, as contemplated under the Act 1993 and communicate such decision to the petitioners-institutions......"
- 4. The matter was considered by SRC in its 447th meeting held on 16th 17th December 2024 wherein the SRC decided that Review application / Appeal against the above order dated 01.10.2024 be filed by SRC on the following grounds:
 - a) In all above cases, the SRC-NCTE has already withdrawn recognition of the institution (s) after following due procedure as laid down in the NCTE Act, 1993 and the Regulations & SOP made thereunder.
 - b) There is no provision in the NCTE Act Rules and the Regulations whereunder Show Cause Notice u/s 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 may be issued to an Institution which recognition is already withdrawn by the Regional Committee.
 - c) Moreover, it is noted that the petitioner approached directly to the Hon'ble Court without exhausting the alternative remedy of filing

Appeal under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993.

- 5. As decided by SRC, the NCTE preferred a Writ Appeal (W.A No. 426 of 2025) against the order of Single Judge dated 01-10-2024.
- 6. The Hon'ble High Court vide an order dated 04.08.2025 passed a common order directing NCTE the following:-

"The appellants would therefore proceed to issue fresh show cause notices to the petitioner institutions calling for the explanation and would pass reasoned orders in the case of each of the petitioners – respondent No.1 herein in accordance with law and the directions issued by the learned single Judge.

As is prayed by learned counsel for the appellant, it would be open to the appellant to drop the proceedings against the petitioner institutions if it so desires, if there was otherwise compliance with the requirements of the National Council for Teacher Education Act. 1993.

The Writ Appeals are accordingly disposed of. No order as to costs.

- 7. The SRC considered the entire matter in detail and observed the following:-
 - 1. That the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court suffers from patent errors of law, inasmuch as the Hon'ble Court has neglected to appreciate the material irregularities and statutory violations committed by the respondent-institutions while making admissions to the D.El.Ed. course during the academic session 2018–2019, without adherence to the mandatory norms and procedures prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.
 - 2. That the matter raises a substantial question of law of general public importance, pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the standards, norms, and conditions governing teacher education institutions under the NCTE framework. The decision of the Hon'ble High Court, if allowed to stand, will have wide ramifications on the maintenance of academic standards and regulatory discipline in teacher education across the country.
 - 3. That the Hon'ble High Court has erred in law in not giving due consideration and weightage to the findings of the report submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, which clearly established that the respondent-institutions had made admissions into the D.El.Ed. course for 2018–2019 without due affiliation, without compliance with statutory recognition norms, and in contravention of the prescribed regulatory framework.
 - 4. That the Hon'ble High Court did not appreciate that the action of the respondent-institutions amounted to a deliberate violation of the statutory conditions of recognition, thereby rendering them liable for withdrawal of recognition under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993.

- 5. That the direction of the Hon'ble Division Bench for issuance of a fresh Show Cause Notice (SCN) by the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) has the potential effect of unsettling the recognition status of the institutions and may adversely impact the regulatory continuity and compliance obligations under the NCTE Act and Regulations. The said direction, therefore, warrants authoritative clarification and adjudication by this Hon'ble Court.
- 6. That the Hon'ble High Court has mistaken by not appreciating that NCTE and its Regional Committees, being statutory bodies, are bound to act in strict conformity with the provisions of the Act and Regulations, and that any deviation from the prescribed norms by institutions cannot be condoned merely on equitable considerations.
- 7. That the impugned judgment, if allowed to stand, will dilute the regulatory authority vested in the NCTE and its Regional Committees, thereby setting a precedent detrimental to the maintenance of teacher education standards and public interest.

Further, the SRC also decided that while preferring the SLP, the Commissioner, School Education, Govt of Andhra Pradesh may also be made as a party.

2. Sri Venkata Sandhya College of Elementary Education, Plot No. 18-105/1 Madhurawada Village and Post Office, Visakhapatnam Taluk and City, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh.

File No:- SRCAPP3546 Programme:- D.El.Ed,

The original file of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, the SRC after careful consideration made the following observations: -

- 1. The recognition u/s 14 (3)(a) of NCTE Act, 1993 was granted to the institution namely, Sri Venkata Sandhya College of Elementary Education, Plot No. 18-105/1 Madhurawada Village and Post Office, Visakhapatnam Taluk and City, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh vide order no. F.SRO/NCTE/SRCAPP3546/D.El.Ed./AP/2016-2017/84859 dated 02.05.2016 for conducting D.El.Ed. course of two year duration with an annual intake of 50 students from the academic session 2016-2017.
- 2. SRC vide an order dated 05th October 2021 withdrew the recognition for D.El.Ed. programme w.e.f. academic year 2021–2022 under section 17(1) of NCTE Act,1993 on ground that:-

"The committee discussed the matter pertaining to the withdrawal of recognition to the TEIs offering D.EI.Ed. programme in Andhra

Pradesh as desired by the School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh. It is resolved to withdraw the recognition of all such TEIs who have failed to respond to the notice (published on the NCTE website) and also sent to the TEIs through e-mail. The RD, SRC is advised to serve withdrawal orders accordingly.

- 3. The Committee noted that a letter dt. 25.03.2021 was received from School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh establishing the violation made by 417 TEIs. These TEI's have made admissions into D.EI.Ed. course during 2018-19 on their own without adhering the rules and regulations. Therefore, the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh in this instant letter recommended SRC, NCTE to de-recognize these TEIs henceforth.
- 4. The institution approached the Hon'ble Court of Andhra Pradesh in W.P. No. 18263/2024 and the Hon'ble Court vide Order dated 1st October 2024 has disposed of the case with the following direction:-
 - 11. On careful perusal of the provision that withdrawal of recognition is after giving a reasonable opportunity to such recognised institution. Hence, the contention raised by the institution is acceptable.
 - 12. In view of the provision appended to Section 17 (1) of the Act, 1993, the respondents invariably have to issue a notice before de-recognising the institution.
 - "13. As there is a dispute with regard to the issuance of show cause notice, the 3rd respondent is hereby directed to issue a fresh show cause notice to the petitioners-institutions calling for explanation and, on receiving such show cause notice, the petitioners-institutions are hereby directed to submit explanation. On receiving such explanation, the 3rd respondent shall pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, as contemplated under the Act 1993 and communicate such decision to the petitioners-institutions......"
- 5. The matter was considered by SRC in its 447th meeting held on 16th 17th December 2024 wherein the SRC decided that Review application / Appeal against the above order dated 01.10.2024 be filed by SRC on the following grounds:
 - a) In all above cases, the SRC-NCTE has already withdrawn recognition of the institution (s) after following due procedure as laid down in the NCTE Act, 1993 and the Regulations & SOP made thereunder.
 - b) There is no provision in the NCTE Act Rules and the Regulations whereunder Show Cause Notice u/s 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 may be issued to an Institution which recognition is already withdrawn by the Regional Committee.
 - c) Moreover, it is noted that the petitioner approached directly to the Hon'ble Court without exhausting the alternative remedy of filing Appeal under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993.
- 6. As decided by SRC, the NCTE preferred a Writ Appeal (W.A No. 426 of 2025) against the order of Single Judge dated 01-10-2024.

7. The Hon'ble High Court vide an order dated 04.08.2025 passed a common order directing NCTE the following:-

"The appellants would therefore proceed to issue fresh show cause notices to the petitioner institutions calling for the explanation and would pass reasoned orders in the case of each of the petitioners – respondent No.1 herein in accordance with law and the directions issued by the learned single Judge.

As is prayed by learned counsel for the appellant, it would be open to the appellant to drop the proceedings against the petitioner institutions if it so desires, if there was otherwise compliance with the requirements of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993.

The Writ Appeals are accordingly disposed of. No order as to costs.

- 8. The SRC considered the entire matter in detail and observed the following:-
 - 1. That the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court suffers from patent errors of law, inasmuch as the Hon'ble Court has neglected to appreciate the material irregularities and statutory violations committed by the respondent-institutions while making admissions to the D.El.Ed. course during the academic session 2018–2019, without adherence to the mandatory norms and procedures prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.
 - 2. That the matter raises a substantial question of law of general public importance, pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the standards, norms, and conditions governing teacher education institutions under the NCTE framework. The decision of the Hon'ble High Court, if allowed to stand, will have wide ramifications on the maintenance of academic standards and regulatory discipline in teacher education across the country.
 - 3. That the Hon'ble High Court has erred in law in not giving due consideration and weightage to the findings of the report submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, which clearly established that the respondent-institutions had made admissions into the D.El.Ed. course for 2018–2019 without due affiliation, without compliance with statutory recognition norms, and in contravention of the prescribed regulatory framework.
 - 4. That the Hon'ble High Court did not appreciate that the action of the respondent-institutions amounted to a deliberate violation of the statutory conditions of recognition, thereby rendering them liable for withdrawal of recognition under Section 17 of the NCTE Act. 1993.
 - 5. That the direction of the Hon'ble Division Bench for issuance of a fresh Show Cause Notice (SCN) by the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) has the potential effect of unsettling the recognition status of the institutions and may adversely impact

- the regulatory continuity and compliance obligations under the NCTE Act and Regulations. The said direction, therefore, warrants authoritative clarification and adjudication by this Hon'ble Court.
- 6. That the Hon'ble High Court has mistaken by not appreciating that NCTE and its Regional Committees, being statutory bodies, are bound to act in strict conformity with the provisions of the Act and Regulations, and that any deviation from the prescribed norms by institutions cannot be condoned merely on equitable considerations.
- 7. That the impugned judgment, if allowed to stand, will dilute the regulatory authority vested in the NCTE and its Regional Committees, thereby setting a precedent detrimental to the maintenance of teacher education standards and public interest.

Further, the SRC also decided that while preferring the SLP, the Commissioner, School Education, Govt of Andhra Pradesh may also be made as a party.

3. Potnuru Rama Naidu Ded College, No.77-4, Varaxmi Street, Tennu Boddavara Village, Srungavarapu Kota Post and Taluk, Vizianagaram District, Andhra Pradesh.

File No:- SRCAPP2622 SRCAPP959 Programme:- D.El.Ed, D.El.Ed-Al

The original file of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, the SRC after careful consideration made the following observations: -

- 1. The recognition u/s 14 (3)(a) of NCTE Act, 1993 was granted to the institution namely, Potnuru Rama Naidu Ded College, No.77-4, Varaxmi Street, Tennu Boddavara Village, Srungavarapu Kota Post and Taluk, Vizianagaram District, Andhra Pradesh vide order no. F.No.SRCAPP959/D.El.Ed/AP/2012/45787 dated 03.09.2012 & F.SRO/NCTE/ SRCAPP2622/ D.El.Ed.-Al/AP/2016-17/8331 dated 02.05.2016 for conducting D.El.Ed. & D.El.Ed-Al course of two year duration with an annual intake of 50 students & 50 students from the academic session 2012-2013 & 2016-2017.
- 2. SRC vide an order dated 05th October 2021 withdrew the recognition for D.El.Ed. programme w.e.f. academic year 2021–2022 under section 17(1) of NCTE Act,1993 on ground that:-

"The committee discussed the matter pertaining to the withdrawal of recognition to the TEIs offering D.EI.Ed. programme in Andhra Pradesh as desired by the School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh. It is resolved to withdraw the recognition of all such TEIs who have failed to respond to the notice (published on the NCTE website) and also sent to the TEIs through e-mail. The RD, SRC is advised to serve withdrawal orders accordingly.

- 3. The Committee noted that a letter dt. 25.03.2021 was received from School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh establishing the violation made by 417 TEIs. These TEI's have made admissions into D.EI.Ed. course during 2018-19 on their own without adhering the rules and regulations. Therefore, the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh in this instant letter recommended SRC, NCTE to de-recognize these TEIs henceforth.
- 4. The institution approached the Hon'ble Court of Andhra Pradesh in W.P. No. 18254/2024 and the Hon'ble Court *vide* Order dated 1st October 2024 has disposed of the case with the following direction:-
 - 11. On careful perusal of the provision that withdrawal of recognition is after giving a reasonable opportunity to such recognised institution. Hence, the contention raised by the institution is acceptable.
 - 12. In view of the provision appended to Section 17 (1) of the Act, 1993, the respondents invariably have to issue a notice before de-recognising the institution.
 - "13. As there is a dispute with regard to the issuance of show cause notice, the 3rd respondent is hereby directed to issue a fresh show cause notice to the petitioners-institutions calling for explanation and, on receiving such show cause notice, the petitioners-institutions are hereby directed to submit explanation. On receiving such explanation, the 3rd respondent shall pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, as contemplated under the Act 1993 and communicate such decision to the petitioners-institutions......"
- 5. The matter was considered by SRC in its 447th meeting held on 16th 17th December 2024 wherein the SRC decided that Review application / Appeal against the above order dated 01.10.2024 be filed by SRC on the following grounds:
 - a) In all above cases, the SRC-NCTE has already withdrawn recognition of the institution (s) after following due procedure as laid down in the NCTE Act, 1993 and the Regulations & SOP made thereunder.
 - b) There is no provision in the NCTE Act Rules and the Regulations whereunder Show Cause Notice u/s 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 may be issued to an Institution which recognition is already withdrawn by the Regional Committee.
 - c) Moreover, it is noted that the petitioner approached directly to the Hon'ble Court without exhausting the alternative remedy of filing Appeal under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993.
- 6. As decided by SRC, the NCTE preferred a Writ Appeal (W.A No. 426 of 2025) against the order of Single Judge dated 01-10-2024.
- 7. The Hon'ble High Court vide an order dated 04.08.2025 passed a

common order directing NCTE the following :-

"The appellants would therefore proceed to issue fresh show cause notices to the petitioner institutions calling for the explanation and would pass reasoned orders in the case of each of the petitioners – respondent No.1 herein in accordance with law and the directions issued by the learned single Judge.

As is prayed by learned counsel for the appellant, it would be open to the appellant to drop the proceedings against the petitioner institutions if it so desires, if there was otherwise compliance with the requirements of the National Council for Teacher Education Act. 1993.

The Writ Appeals are accordingly disposed of. No order as to costs.

- 8. The SRC considered the entire matter in detail and observed the following:-
 - 1. That the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court suffers from patent errors of law, inasmuch as the Hon'ble Court has neglected to appreciate the material irregularities and statutory violations committed by the respondent-institutions while making admissions to the D.El.Ed. course during the academic session 2018–2019, without adherence to the mandatory norms and procedures prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.
 - 2. That the matter raises a substantial question of law of general public importance, pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the standards, norms, and conditions governing teacher education institutions under the NCTE framework. The decision of the Hon'ble High Court, if allowed to stand, will have wide ramifications on the maintenance of academic standards and regulatory discipline in teacher education across the country.
 - 3. That the Hon'ble High Court has erred in law in not giving due consideration and weightage to the findings of the report submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, which clearly established that the respondent-institutions had made admissions into the D.El.Ed. course for 2018–2019 without due affiliation, without compliance with statutory recognition norms, and in contravention of the prescribed regulatory framework.
 - 4. That the Hon'ble High Court did not appreciate that the action of the respondent-institutions amounted to a deliberate violation of the statutory conditions of recognition, thereby rendering them liable for withdrawal of recognition under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993.
 - 5. That the direction of the Hon'ble Division Bench for issuance of a fresh Show Cause Notice (SCN) by the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) has the potential effect of unsettling the recognition status of the institutions and may adversely impact the regulatory continuity and compliance obligations under the

- NCTE Act and Regulations. The said direction, therefore, warrants authoritative clarification and adjudication by this Hon'ble Court.
- 6. That the Hon'ble High Court has mistaken by not appreciating that NCTE and its Regional Committees, being statutory bodies, are bound to act in strict conformity with the provisions of the Act and Regulations, and that any deviation from the prescribed norms by institutions cannot be condoned merely on equitable considerations.
- 7. That the impugned judgment, if allowed to stand, will dilute the regulatory authority vested in the NCTE and its Regional Committees, thereby setting a precedent detrimental to the maintenance of teacher education standards and public interest.

Further, the SRC also decided that while preferring the SLP, the Commissioner, School Education, Govt of Andhra Pradesh may also be made as a party.

4. Madina D.EL.ED COLLEGE, Khasara NO. 93/1 .B2 93/1 ,B2 as/IB 93/IB, Plot NO. 6/148/A ,Street No. 6 Brahmanakotkur Village and Post Office, Nandikotkur Taluk Kurnool District Andhra Pradesh.

File No:- SRCAPP711 SRCAPP2734 Programme:- D.El.Ed, D.El.Ed-Al

The original file of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, the SRC after careful consideration made the following observations: -

- 1. The recognition u/s 14 (3)(a) of NCTE Act, 1993 was granted to the D.EL.ED COLLEGE, Khasara NO. institution namely. Madina Khasara NO. 93/1B2 92/1B, Plot NO. 6/148/A ,Street No. 6 Brahmanakotkur Village and Post Office, Nandikotkur Taluk F.No. vide order no. District Andhra Pradesh 29.08.2012 SRCAPP711/D.E.Ed./AP/2012/45610 dated F.SRO/NCTE/SRCAPP2734/D.El.Ed.-Al/AP/2016/84909 dated 02.05.2016 for conducting D.El.Ed. & D.El.Ed-Al course of two year duration with an annual intake of 50 students & 50 students from the academic session 2012-2013 & 2016-2017.
- 2. SRC vide an order dated 13.04.2021 withdrew the recognition for D.El.Ed. programme w.e.f. academic year 2021–2022 under section 17(1) of NCTE Act,1993 on ground that:-
 - 1. The Committee in its 386th meeting after perusal of the letter No. RC.No. 359/A/SCERT/2019 dated 29.6.2020 received from the Commissioner, School Education (FAC), School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh recommending therein for derecognition order in respect of 188 Pvt. D.El.Ed.

- colleges in A.P. since the said managements of Pvt. D.El.Ed. colleges have made admissions into the D.El.Ed. course during academic year 2018-19 on their own in violation of Government orders. Accordingly, the SRC decided to issue a Show Cause Notice to all such institutions asking therein to explain about the observations made by the School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh vide letter No. R.C.No. 359/A/SCERT/2019 dated 29.6.2020.
- 2. In view of the above decision a Final Show Cause Notice dt 03.11.2020 was issued to the institution and the institution letter received on 19.11.2020 has submitted its representation. The Committee noted that the explanation on the observation made by the School Education Department, Govt. of AP is not satisfactory as the institution made admission into the D.El.Ed. course during academic year 2018-19 on their own in violation of Govt. orders.
- 3. Further on perusal of the reply received on 19.11.2020 submitted by the institution, the institution also failed to submit the following documents/information:-
 - (i) The institution has submitted photocopy of land document as Gift Deed which is in the name of an individual. The institution did not submit certified copy of land document in the name of society or trust.
 - (ii) The institution has submitted photocopy of LUC and NEC. The institution did not submit notarized copy of LUC & NEC.
 - (iii) The building plan submitted by the institution is not legible.
 - (iv) The institution has submitted photocopy of BCC. The institution did not submit notarized copy of BCC.
 - (v) The institution is required to submit latest faculty list as the faculty list submitted is a photocopy signed by the Director, SCERT dated 23.11.2018.
 - (vi) Domain name is not mentioned by the institution.
- The institution approached the Hon'ble Court of Andhra Pradesh in W.P. No. 18251/2024 and the Hon'ble Court vide Order dated 1st October 2024 has disposed of the case with the following direction:-
 - 11. On careful perusal of the provision that withdrawal of recognition is after giving a reasonable opportunity to such recognised institution. Hence, the contention raised by the institution is acceptable.
 - 12. In view of the provision appended to Section 17 (1) of the Act, 1993, the respondents invariably have to issue a notice before de-recognising the institution.
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on receiving such show cause notice, the petitioners-institutions are hereby directed to submit explanation. On receiving such explanation, the 3rd respondent shall pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, as contemplated under the Act 1993 and communicate such decision to the petitioners-institutions......"

- 4. The matter was considered by SRC in its 447th meeting held on 16th 17th December 2024 wherein the SRC decided that Review application / Appeal against the above order dated 01.10.2024 be filed by SRC on the following grounds:
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- 6. The Hon'ble High Court vide an order dated 04.08.2025 passed a common order directing NCTE the following:-

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As is prayed by learned counsel for the appellant, it would be open to the appellant to drop the proceedings against the petitioner institutions if it so desires, if there was otherwise compliance with the requirements of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993.

The Writ Appeals are accordingly disposed of. No order as to costs.

- 7. The SRC considered the entire matter in detail and observed the following:-
 - That the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court suffers from patent errors of law, inasmuch as the Hon'ble Court has neglected to appreciate the material irregularities and statutory violations committed by the respondent-institutions while making admissions to the D.El.Ed. course during the academic session 2018–2019, without adherence to the mandatory norms and

- procedures prescribed under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.
- 2. That the matter raises a substantial question of law of general public importance, pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the standards, norms, and conditions governing teacher education institutions under the NCTE framework. The decision of the Hon'ble High Court, if allowed to stand, will have wide ramifications on the maintenance of academic standards and regulatory discipline in teacher education across the country.
- 3. That the Hon'ble High Court has erred in law in not giving due consideration and weightage to the findings of the report submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, which clearly established that the respondent-institutions had made admissions into the D.El.Ed. course for 2018–2019 without due affiliation, without compliance with statutory recognition norms, and in contravention of the prescribed regulatory framework.
- 4. That the Hon'ble High Court did not appreciate that the action of the respondent-institutions amounted to a deliberate violation of the statutory conditions of recognition, thereby rendering them liable for withdrawal of recognition under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993.
- 5. That the direction of the Hon'ble Division Bench for issuance of a fresh Show Cause Notice (SCN) by the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) has the potential effect of unsettling the recognition status of the institutions and may adversely impact the regulatory continuity and compliance obligations under the NCTE Act and Regulations. The said direction, therefore, warrants authoritative clarification and adjudication by this Hon'ble Court.
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Further, the SRC also decided that while preferring the SLP, the Commissioner, School Education, Govt of Andhra Pradesh may also be made as a party.

5. Sri Vinayaka Venkateswara College of Elementary Education, No.18- 101/2, NP Road, Madhurawada Village and Post Visakhapatnam Taluk and City,

Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh.

File No:- SRCAPP3543 Programme:- D.El.Ed.

The original file of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, the SRC after careful consideration made the following observations: -

- 1. The recognition u/s 14 (3)(a) of NCTE Act, 1993 was granted to the institution namely, Sri Vinayaka Venkateswara College of Elementary Education, No.18- 101/2, NP Road, Madhurawada Village and Post Visakhapatnam Taluk and City, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh vide order no. F.SRO/NCTE/SRCAPP3543/D.El.Ed./AP/2016-2017/84857 dated 02.05.2016 for conducting D.El.Ed. course of two year duration with an annual intake of 50 students from the academic session 2016-2017.
- 2. SRC vide an order dated 05th October 2021 withdrew the recognition for D.El.Ed. programme w.e.f. academic year 2021–2022 under section 17(1) of NCTE Act,1993 on ground that:-

"The committee discussed the matter pertaining to the withdrawal of recognition to the TEIs offering D.EI.Ed. programme in Andhra Pradesh as desired by the School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh. It is resolved to withdraw the recognition of all such TEIs who have failed to respond to the notice (published on the NCTE website) and also sent to the TEIs through e-mail. The RD, SRC is advised to serve withdrawal orders accordingly.

- 3. The Committee noted that a letter dt. 25.03.2021 was received from School Education Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh establishing the violation made by 417 TEIs. These TEI's have made admissions into D.EI.Ed. course during 2018-19 on their own without adhering the rules and regulations. Therefore, the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh in this instant letter recommended SRC, NCTE to de-recognize these TEIs henceforth.
- 4. The institution approached the Hon'ble Court of Andhra Pradesh in W.P. No. 18257/2024 and the Hon'ble Court vide Order dated 1st October 2024 has disposed of the case with the following direction:-
 - 11. On careful perusal of the provision that withdrawal of recognition is after giving a reasonable opportunity to such recognised institution. Hence, the contention raised by the institution is acceptable.
 - 12. In view of the provision appended to Section 17 (1) of the Act, 1993, the respondents invariably have to issue a notice before de-recognising the institution.
 - "13. As there is a dispute with regard to the issuance of show cause notice, the 3rd respondent is hereby directed to issue a fresh show cause notice to the petitioners-institutions calling for explanation and, on receiving such show cause notice, the petitioners-institutions are

hereby directed to submit explanation. On receiving such explanation, the 3rd respondent shall pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, as contemplated under the Act 1993 and communicate such decision to the petitioners-institutions......"

- 5. The matter was considered by SRC in its 447th meeting held on 16th 17th December 2024 wherein the SRC decided that Review application / Appeal against the above order dated 01.10.2024 be filed by SRC on the following grounds:
 - a) In all above cases, the SRC-NCTE has already withdrawn recognition of the institution (s) after following due procedure as laid down in the NCTE Act, 1993 and the Regulations & SOP made thereunder.
 - b) There is no provision in the NCTE Act Rules and the Regulations whereunder Show Cause Notice u/s 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993 may be issued to an Institution which recognition is already withdrawn by the Regional Committee.
 - c) Moreover, it is noted that the petitioner approached directly to the Hon'ble Court without exhausting the alternative remedy of filing Appeal under Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993.
- 6. As decided by SRC, the NCTE preferred a Writ Appeal (W.A No. 426 of 2025) against the order of Single Judge dated 01-10-2024.
- 7. The Hon'ble High Court vide an order dated 04.08.2025 passed a common order directing NCTE the following:-

"The appellants would therefore proceed to issue fresh show cause notices to the petitioner institutions calling for the explanation and would pass reasoned orders in the case of each of the petitioners – respondent No.1 herein in accordance with law and the directions issued by the learned single Judge.

As is prayed by learned counsel for the appellant, it would be open to the appellant to drop the proceedings against the petitioner institutions if it so desires, if there was otherwise compliance with the requirements of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993.

The Writ Appeals are accordingly disposed of. No order as to costs.

- 8. The SRC considered the entire matter in detail and observed the following:-
 - 1. That the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court suffers from patent errors of law, inasmuch as the Hon'ble Court has neglected to appreciate the material irregularities and statutory violations committed by the respondent-institutions while making admissions to the D.El.Ed. course during the academic session 2018–2019, without adherence to the mandatory norms and procedures prescribed under the National Council for Teacher

Education Act, 1993 and the NCTE Regulations, 2014.

- 2. That the matter raises a substantial question of law of general public importance, pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the standards, norms, and conditions governing teacher education institutions under the NCTE framework. The decision of the Hon'ble High Court, if allowed to stand, will have wide ramifications on the maintenance of academic standards and regulatory discipline in teacher education across the country.
- 3. That the Hon'ble High Court has erred in law in not giving due consideration and weightage to the findings of the report submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, which clearly established that the respondent-institutions had made admissions into the D.El.Ed. course for 2018–2019 without due affiliation, without compliance with statutory recognition norms, and in contravention of the prescribed regulatory framework.
- 4. That the Hon'ble High Court did not appreciate that the action of the respondent-institutions amounted to a deliberate violation of the statutory conditions of recognition, thereby rendering them liable for withdrawal of recognition under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993.
- 5. That the direction of the Hon'ble Division Bench for issuance of a fresh Show Cause Notice (SCN) by the Southern Regional Committee (SRC) has the potential effect of unsettling the recognition status of the institutions and may adversely impact the regulatory continuity and compliance obligations under the NCTE Act and Regulations. The said direction, therefore, warrants authoritative clarification and adjudication by this Hon'ble Court.
- 6. That the Hon'ble High Court has mistaken by not appreciating that NCTE and its Regional Committees, being statutory bodies, are bound to act in strict conformity with the provisions of the Act and Regulations, and that any deviation from the prescribed norms by institutions cannot be condoned merely on equitable considerations.
- 7. That the impugned judgment, if allowed to stand, will dilute the regulatory authority vested in the NCTE and its Regional Committees, thereby setting a precedent detrimental to the maintenance of teacher education standards and public interest.

In view of the above, the SRC decided that a Special Leave Petition (SLP) be preferred against the decision of the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh on the above grounds.

Further, the SRC also decided that while preferring the SLP, the Commissioner, School Education, Govt of Andhra Pradesh may also be made as a party.

6. H.C.M.S.K. College of Education, Basaveshwara Road, Raichur-584101, Karnataka.

File No:- APSO1977 Programme:- B.Ed.

The original file of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, the SRC after careful consideration made the following observations: -

The reply dated 15.08.2021 & 15.10.2025 was considered by SRC and decided that **online** <u>Visiting Team</u> for shifting of the institution be conducted at **H.C.M.S.K.** College of Education, Basaveshwara Road, Raichur-584101, Karnataka.

7. SVPVV SAMSTHAS SHRI SIDRAMAPPA BASAPPA MAMADAPUR ARTS, COMMERCE AND SCIENCE COLLEGE, BADAMI, RAMDURGA ROAD, OPPOSITE TO CIVIL COURT, BADAMI, BADAMI, BAGALKOT, KARNATAKA-587201

File No. 2526202405303510, **Programme:-** B.A. B.Ed (Middle) One Unit), B.Sc. B.Ed Middle (One Unit) and B.Com B.Ed (Middle) One Unit

The on-line application of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time and documents furnished by the institution were carefully considered by the SRC and the following observations were made: -

Corrigendum be issued to the institution mentioning the academic session 2026-2027 instead of 2025-2026. As there is no provision to issue Corrigendum in online mode, the same be issued in offline mode by RD.

8. SATHYABAMA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, SHOLINGANALLUR, JEPPIAAR NAGAR, RAJIV GANDHI SALAI, SHOLINGANALLUR, CHENNAI, CHENNAI, TAMIL NADU-600119

File No. 2526202404262401, Programme:- B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (2 unit); B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (2 unit)

The on-line application of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time and documents furnished by the institution were carefully considered by the SRC and the following observations were made: -

1. The staff list uploaded is not approved by the Registrar of the University .

Therefore, the Committee decided that **Show Cause Notice** be issued to the institution thereby providing an opportunity for making written representation through online ITEP Portal of NCTE, within 07 days along with all relevant supporting documents from the date of issue of **Show Cause Notice**.

9. KLE SOCIETYS BASAVAPRABHU KORE ARTS SCIENCE AND COMMERCE COLLEGE CHIKODI, HIREKUDI, MIRAJ ROAD, CHIKODI, CHIKODI, BELGAUM/BELAGAVI, KARNATAKA-591201

File No. 2627202505275537, Programme:- B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit); B.Sc.

B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit)

The on-line application of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time and documents furnished by the institution were carefully considered by the SRC and the following observations were made: -

The institution has demarcated only 913.39 sqm built up area for ITEP course, which is less than required 2200 sqm for one unit for B.A.B.Ed and one Unit for B.Sc. B.Ed programme as per NCTE Regulations. The size of Multipurpose hall of the institution is 168.06 sqm, which is less than required 2000 sq ft as per NCTE Regulations.

Therefore, the Committee decided that the application submitted by the institution be Refused / Rejected on the grounds mentioned above.

10. MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY, ATHIRAMPUZHA, PRIYADARSINI HILLS, KOTTAYAM, KOTTAYAM, KOTTAYAM, KERALA-686560

File No. 2627202505265398, Programme:- B.A. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), Middle (1 unit), Foundational (1 unit), Preparatory (1 unit); B.Sc. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), Middle (1 unit), Foundational (1 unit), Preparatory (1 unit); B.Com. B.Ed. Secondary (1 unit), Middle (1 unit), Foundational (1 unit), Preparatory (1 unit)

The on-line application of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time and documents furnished by the institution were carefully considered by the SRC and the following observations were made: -

1. The Inspection of the University was scheduled on 11th August 2025 through online mode. The University has not joined the online inspection.

Therefore, the Committee decided that **Show Cause Notice** be issued to the institution thereby providing an opportunity for making written representation through online ITEP Portal of NCTE, within 07 days along with all relevant supporting documents from the date of issue of **Show Cause Notice**.

11. NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY CALICUT

File No. 2627202505275487, Programme:- B.Sc B.Ed. Foundational (1 unit)
The on-line application of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time and documents furnished by the institution were carefully considered by the SRC and the following observations were made: -

- 1. The Staff list is not in the specified format of SRC. The Column No. 04 is missing.
- 2. The signature of approving authority is required on each page of the staff list

Therefore, the Committee decided that **Show Cause Notice** be issued to the institution thereby providing an opportunity for making written representation through online ITEP Portal of NCTE, within 07 days along with all relevant supporting

documents from the date of issue of Show Cause Notice.

12. SRI CHANDRASEKHARENDRA SARASWATHI VISWA
MAHAVIDYALAYA, ENATHUR, , KANCHIPURAM, KANCHIPURAM,
KANCHIPURAM, TAMIL NADU- 631561

File No. 2526202405162915, Programme:- B.A. B.Ed (Secondary) One Unit); B.Sc. B.Ed(Secondary) One Unit)

The on-line application of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time and documents furnished by the institution were carefully considered by the SRC and the following observations were made: -

1. The institution be directed to submit the documents as submitted in Appeal, for consideration of SRC.

Therefore, the Committee decided that **First Show Cause Notice** be issued to the institution thereby providing an opportunity for making written representation through online ITEP Portal of NCTE, **within** 21 **days** along with all relevant supporting documents from the date of issue of **First Show Cause Notice**.

13. Bill Gates College of Education, Gengavaram, KanakkanKuppam Post, Gingee Taluk, Villupuram District, Tamilnadu.

File No. APS08816, Programme: - B.Ed.

The original file of the Institution along with other related documents, NCTE Act 1993, Regulations, Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, the SRC has considered the Hon'ble Court's direction in W.P No. 35222/2025 dated 15.09.2025 as follows:-

"This writ petition has been filed for direction to respondent No. 2, SRC-NCTE to Consider and dispose of the petitioner's representation dated 14.08.2025 against the withdrawal order dated 01.12.2021, on merits and in accordance with law, within a time frame expeditiously, to be fixed by this Court.

- 2. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side.
- 3. Without expressing any opinion on merits of the writ petition, the second respondent is directed to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 14.08.2025 and, after issuance of notice to the petitioner and giving personal opportunity of hearing, to pass orders on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of this order.
- 4. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed. There shall be no order as to costs."

Keeping in view the Hon'ble Court's direction the SRC has proceeded to pass the following directions:-

- 1. The petitioner-institution may be called for personal hearing on 10th Nov 2025 at 12:30 pm and a copy of the representations dated 14.08.2025 and 23.10.2025 alongwith the notarized copies of all the documents which were submitted earlier.
- 2. In case institution is nominating a representative then the concerned

- representative should have the authorization letter issued by the Chairman/Secretary of the Institution.
- 3. If in case the institution fails to appear before the SRC on the scheduled date and time, then it will be presumed that the institution is unwilling to defend/present its case before SRC and henceforth the matter shall be treated as closed.

(Dr. Meena Chandawarkar) Chairperson, SRC, NCTE



SRC 476th Final Modified Minutes

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The attached final modified draft of the minutes of the 476th meeting of the SRC are hereby approved. Please do the needful. Regards,

Dr. Meena Chandawarkar, Chairperson, SRC - NCTE, New Delhi, Former Vice Chancellor, Karnataka State Women's University, Vijayapura.