David Matriculation Higher Secondary School, No. 132, Gandhi Road, Velachery, Chennai, T.N.

Vs.

Principal Secretary, School Education Deptt, Secretariat, Chennai, T.N.

Case No. 19 of 2021 21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.
None for the respondent.

1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

Reserved for Orders.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Unity Matriculation School, No. 13, 5th Cross Street, Mahalakshmi Nagar, Adambakkam, Chengalpet, Chennai, T.N.

Vs.

Principal Secretary, School Education Dept., Secretariat, Chennai, T.N.

Case No. 64 of 2021 21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.
None for the respondent.

1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

Reserved for Orders.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

AD

St. Don Bosco Matriculation School, Nemilicherry, Chrompet, Chengalpattu, Chennai, Tamil Nadu - 600044

Vs.

Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Rina Road, Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai, Tamil Nadu - 600009.

Case No. 237 of 2022

21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1 Despite sending reminder letter by post and also by email to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, no response/ physical inspection report received from the Physical Inspection Committee till now.
- 2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected their institution.
- 3. Secretary of the Commission is directed to write a letter to the Chief Secretary of Government of Tamil Nadu with a request to direct the Physical Inspection Committee for sending Physical Inspection Report before the next date of hearing.
- 4. Office is directed that if original Physical Inspection Report is not received, then send reminder letter by post and also by email to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, for sending the original inspection report positively before next date of hearing.
- 5. Office is directed to provide a copy of both the letters to the learned counsel for the petitioner.
- 6. Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to approach Physical Inspection Committee for sending the original report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

AD

St. Mary's School, Ramleela Ground, Amaria, Pilibhit District, Uttar Pradesh – 262121

Vs.

- 1. Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Basic Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bahu Khandi, Secretariat, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- 2. Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Secondary Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh

Case No. 13 of 2023

21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1. Despite sending reminder letter by post and also by email, to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, no response/ physical inspection report has been received till now from the Physical Inspection Committee.
- 2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected their institution.
- 3. Office is directed that if original Physical Inspection Report is not received, then reminder letter be sent by post and by email to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the original inspection report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Don Bosco Matriculation Higher Secondary School, 8th East Main Road, Gandhi Nagar, Vellore District, Tamil Nadu - 635006

Vs.

Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Rina Road, Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai, Tamil Nadu – 600009

Case No. 15 of 2023

21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1. An internal communication has been received, by post from the District Education Officer, Vellore on dated 14.02.2024 which is taken on record.
- 2. Respondent has filed Counter Affidavit along with covering letter dated 13.12.2023 which was received by post in the Commission' Office on 22.12.2023 and is also taken on record.
- 3. Despite sending letter by post and also by email, to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, no response/ physical inspection report has been received till now from the Physical Inspection Committee.
- 4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected their institution.
- 5. Office is directed that, if original Physical Inspection Report is not received, then send reminder letter by post and by email to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, for sending the original inspection report positively before the next date of hearing.
- 6. Office is directed to furnish copy of the counter Affidavit to the learned counsel for the petitioner for filing rejoinder if any.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

St. Vincent's Matric Hr. Sec. School, No. 24, Railway Colony, 4th Street, Aminjikarai, Chennai, Tamil Nadu - 600029

Vs.

Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Govt. of Tamil Naadu, Rina Road, Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai, Tamil Nadu – 600009

Case No. 17 of 2023 21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1. Despite sending letter by post and also by email to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, no response/ physical inspection report has been received till now from the Physical Inspection Committee.
- 2. Office is directed that, if original Physical Inspection Report is not received, then reminder letter be sent by post and also by email to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, for sending the original inspection report positively before next date of hearing
- 3. Respondent has filed Counter Affidavit along with covering letter dated 13.12.2023 which was received in the Commission's Office, by post on dated 22.12.2023 and is also taken on record.
- 4. Office is directed to furnish copy of the Counter Affidavit to the learned counsel for the petitioner for filing rejoinder if any.
- 5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected the petitioner institution.
- 6. Learned counsel for the petitioner prayed for time to file updated recognition/affiliation certificate issued by the concerned authority.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

AD

Faith Foundation Global School, Village - Nagukhedi Square, Ujjain Road bye Pass Square, Dewas, Madhya Pradesh - 455001

Vs.

Secretary, Backward Classes and Minority Welfare Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Room No. 339, Mantralaya, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

Case No. 27 of 2023 21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Prashant Kulambil, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1. An email has been received from Commissioner, Backward Classes and Minority Welfare Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh along with some documents on 15.02.2024 which is taken on record.
- 2. In this case no proper reply has been received from the Respondent.
- 3. In the facts and circumstances of the case, it would be proper that physical inspection report alongwith the recommendations for issuance of minority status certificate to the petitioner institution, may be obtained from the committee consisting of the following members: -
  - 1. Representative of the District Collector (Chairperson)
  - 2. Concerned District Education Officer (Member)
  - 3. District Minority /Welfare Officer/ District Social Welfare Officer (Member Secretary)
- 4. Office is directed to issue letter to the above Committee members for submitting the report.
- 5. Learned counsel for the petitioner prayed for a copy of the letter issued to the members of Physical Inspection Committee in order to pursue the matter with the Physical Inspection Committee, for inspection of the petitioner institution.
- 6. Office is directed to provide a copy of the letter to the learned counsel for the petitioner.
- 7. Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to provide all the relevant documents to the members of Physical Inspection Committee.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

Saint John School, Alampur Pipariya, Khutar Road, Banda, Powayan, Shahjahanpur, U.P.

Vs.

ACS, Secondary Education Department, Lucknow, U.P.

Case No. 188 of 2023

21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1. District Inspector of School, Shahjahanpur has submitted Physical Inspection Report along with covering letter dated 23.12.2023 which was received before the Commission's Office by post on 03.01.2024 is taken on record.
- 2. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has filed certified copies of all the relevant documents which are already on record.

In the interest of justice, now, fix the case for final arguments on 14.05.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

A.G. Hashmi Degree College, Utraula, Balrampur, Uttar Pradesh - 271604 Vs.

Additional Chief Secretary, Higher Education, Room No. 3, Naveen Bhawan, UP Secretariat, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh - 226001 (245 of 2023)

Case No. 264 of 2023

21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Prashant Kulambil, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1. Despite sending letter by post and also by email to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, no response/ physical inspection report has been received till now from the Physical Inspection Committee.
- 2. Office is directed to send reminder letter by post and e-mail to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the original Physical Inspection Report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

AD

Madarsa Islamiya Arbia Qayamul Uloom Ahle Sunnat Wal Jama'at, Mohalla Buddha Shah, Nagar Panchayat Umri Kalan, Tehsil - Kanth, Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh - 244501

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Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary, Minority Welfare and Waqf Department, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Room No. 620, 6th Floor, Indira Bhawan, Ashok Marg, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh - 226020

Case No. 265 of 2023

21.03.2024

Present: Mr. Prashant Kulambil, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

- 1. District Minority Welfare Officer, Moradabad has filed some documents along with covering letter dated 09.12.2023 before the Commission's Office by hand on dated 12.12.2023 which are taken on record.
- 2. Despite sending letter by post and also by email to the members of Physical Inspection Committee, no response/ proper physical inspection report received from the Physical Inspection Committee till now.
- 3. Office is directed to send reminder letter by post and e-mail to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the proper original Physical Inspection Report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Christ School, Majri Grant, Doiwala, Dehradun District, Uttarakhand- 248 140.

Vs.

Incharge Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Uttarakhand, Room No. 7, Ground Floor, Late Soban Singh Jeena Bhawan (SBI Bank Building), Secretariat, Uttarakhand- 248 001.

Case No. 266 of 2023 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

Deputy Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Uttarakhand has sent a letter dated 4.12.2023 along with internal communication dated 29.8.2022 by post, which was received before the Commission's office on 12.12.2023. The same is taken on record.

Despite sending letter by post and e-mail to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee, we have not received any response/Physical inspection report from the members of the Physical Inspection Committee till now.

Office is directed to issue reminder letter by post and email to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

St. Joseph's Primary School, Ranipet, Attur, Salem District, Tamil Nadu- 636 102.

Vs.

The Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Rina Road, Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 009.

Case No. 279 of 2023 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

Director of Elementary Education, Chennai vide his letter dated 13.1.2024 has sent counter affidavit by post on behalf of the respondent, which was received before the Commission's office on 16.1.2024. The same is taken on record.

Office is directed to supply a copy of the same to the learned counsel for the petitioner for filing rejoinder, if any.

Despite sending letter by post and e-mail to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee, we have not received any response/Physical inspection report from the members of the Physical Inspection Committee till now.

Office is directed to issue reminder letter by post and email to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Convent of Jesus and Mary English Medium School, Press Road, Mariampura, Khambat, Anand District, Gujarat- 388 620.

Vs.

Director, Primary Education, Dr. Jivraj Mehta Bhavan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 12/1, Gandhinagar, Gujarat- 382 010.

Case No. 280 of 2023 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

District Education Officer, District Anand, Gujarat vide his letter dated 2.3.2024 has sent Physical Inspection Report, which was received before the Commission's office on 8.3.2024. The same is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that certified copies of all the relevant documents are already on record.

List the case for final arguments on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Archana St. Xavier's School, Sahajanand Nagar, Mandvi (K), Mandvi, Kutch, Gujarat- 370 465.

Vs

Deputy Director, Directors of Schools, Old Sachivalaya, Block 9/1, Gandhinagar, Gujarat- 382 010.

Case No. 281 of 2023 21.3.2024

Present: Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

Deputy Secretary (Secondary), Directorate of Schools, Gujarat has sent letter dated 12.1.2024 by post which was received before the Commission's office on 24.1.2024. The same is taken on record.

Office is directed to supply a copy of the same to the learned counsel for the petitioner for filing rejoinder, if any.

Despite sending letter by post and e-mail to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee, we have not received any response/Physical inspection report from the members of the Physical Inspection Committee till now.

Office is directed to issue reminder letter by post and email to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Archana St. Xavier's School, Virani Road, Gayatri Nagar, Nakhatrana Mota, Nakhatrana, Kutch, Gujarat- 370 615.

Vs.

Deputy Director, Directors of Schools, Old Sachivalaya, Block 9/1, Gandhinagar, Gujarat- 382 010.

Case No. 282 of 2023 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

Deputy Director (Secondary), Directorate of Schools, Gujarat has sent letter dated 12.1.2024 along with some documents by post which was received before the Commission's office on 24.1.2024. The same are taken on record.

Office is directed to supply a copy of the same to the learned counsel for the petitioner for filing reply, if any.

Despite sending letter by post and e-mail to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee, we have not received any response/Physical inspection report from the members of the Physical Inspection Committee till now.

Office is directed to issue reminder letter by post and email to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the report positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Union Christian Public School, #29, Pachaippas College Hostel Road, Chetpet, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 031.

Vs.

The Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Rina Road, Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 009.

Case No. 16 of 2024 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

Despite service of notice by registered AD and email, there is no appearance on behalf of the respondent even in second round and no reply has been filed by the respondent.

In the facts and circumstances of the case, it would be proper that physical inspection report alongwith the recommendations may be obtained from the Committee consisting of the following members for issuance of the minority status certificate to the petitioner institution:-

- 1. Representative of the concerned District Collector (Chairperson)
- 2. Concerned District Education Officer (Member)
- 3. Concerned District Minority Welfare Officer/ Concerned District Social Welfare Officer (Member Secretary)

Office is directed to issue letter to the above authorities and also to provide a copy of the letter to the learned counsel for the petitioner.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner is directed to approach the members of the Physical inspection Committee and provide all the relevant documents to the said Committee and pursue the matter with the Physical Inspection Committee for inspection of the petitioner institution.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

#### NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR MINORITY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Union Christian Matriculation Higher Secondary School, No. 33, Nowroji Road, Chetpet, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 031.

Vs.

The Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Rina Road, Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 009.

Case No. 17 of 2024 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

Despite service of notice by registered AD and email, there is no appearance on behalf of the respondent even in second round and no reply has been filed by the respondent.

In the facts and circumstances of the case, it would be proper that physical inspection report alongwith the recommendations may be obtained from the Committee consisting of the following members for issuance of the minority status certificate to the petitioner institution:-

- 1. Representative of the concerned District Collector (Chairperson)
- 2. Concerned District Education Officer (Member)
- 3. Concerned District Minority Welfare Officer/ Concerned District Social Welfare Officer (Member Secretary)

Office is directed to issue letter to the above authorities and also to provide a copy of the letter to the learned counsel for the petitioner.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner is directed to approach the members of the Physical inspection Committee and provide all the relevant documents to the said Committee and pursue the matter with the Physical Inspection Committee for inspection of the petitioner institution.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

UCA College of Para Medical Sciences, 30, Pachaiyappa's College Hostel Road, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 031.

Vs.

Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Fort St. George, Secretariat, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 009.

Case No. 18 of 2024 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

Despite service of notice by registered AD and email, there is no appearance on behalf of the respondent even in second round and no reply has been filed by the respondent.

In the facts and circumstances of the case, it would be proper that physical inspection report alongwith the recommendations may be obtained from the Committee consisting of the following members for issuance of the minority status certificate to the petitioner institution:-

- 1. Representative of the concerned District Collector (Chairperson)
- 2. Concerned District Education Officer (Member)
- 3. Concerned District Minority Welfare Officer/ Concerned District Social Welfare Officer (Member Secretary)

Office is directed to issue letter to the above authorities and also to provide a copy of the letter to the learned counsel for the petitioner.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner is directed to approach the members of the Physical inspection Committee and provide all the relevant documents to the said Committee and pursue the matter with the Physical Inspection Committee for inspection of the petitioner institution.

In the interest of justice, list on 16.07.2024.

St. Joseph's School, Peratta, Kootupuzha P.O., Iritty (Via), Kannur District, Kerala- 670 706.

Vs.

Director, Directorate of Minority Welfare, Government of Kerala, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Vikas Bhavan, Thiruvanathapuram- 695 033.

Case No. 101 of 2024 21.3.2024

**Present:** Mr. Jose Abraham, Advocate for the petitioner.

In compliance of Commission's earlier order dated 14.3.2024, learned counsel for the petitioner has produced original documents w.r.t. inconsistency in the Memorandum of Association and Rules & Regulations before the Court of the Commission, which was clarified.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner. Reserved for orders.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

21.3.2024

St. John's School, Sabrahad, Shahganj, Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh-223 101.

Vs.

Additional Chief Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bapu Bhawan, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh- 226 001.

Present: None.

An application has been received by post on 12.3.2024 from St. John's School, Sabrahad, Shahganj, Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh- 223 101 for grant of minority status certificate. It be registered.

- 2. It transpires from the petition that on 11.10.2023, the petitioner institution has applied for grant of No Objection Certificate to the State Competent Authority i.e. Additional Chief Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bapu Bhawan, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh- 226 001, which was received by the respondent on 30.10.2023. The said petition is still pending as per the petitioner institution. The petitioner has waited sufficiently for period of 90 days as per Section 10 of NCMEI Act, 2004, before filing this petition. The petitioner has already filed the proof of delivery of track consignment to the respondent.
- 3. The petitioner has filed copy of certificate dated 9.1.2023 issued by the ICSE certifying that the said institution is affiliated to the said council.
- 4. Petitioner has filed Resolution Passed by the Governing Body to obtain Minority Status Certificate from this Commission and envelope with postage for sending notice to the State Competent Authority.
- 5. It also transpires from the petition that the petitioner Institute is an unaided institution (Higher Secondary).
- 6. During the academic year 2021-22, out of total 700 students, 09 students were from the Christian minority community, in the year 2022-23, out of total 793 students, 09 students were from the Christian minority community and in the year 2023-24, out of total 789 students, 06 students are from the Christian minority community.
- 7. It transpires from the petition that the amendment in the Memorandum of Association of the petitioner Society was done prior to the filing application u/s 10 of NCMEI Act. 2004 and also petition before this Commission for grant of Minority Status Certificate.
- 8. It transpires from the record that the Christian students' strength for the academic year 2023-24 is less than 1%. Office is directed to issue notice to the petitioner to show cause as to why the petition should not be dismissed at this stage.
- 9. List on 16.7.2024.

21.3.2024

St. John's School, Pachwal, Babhanauti, Sant Ravidas Nagar, Bhadohi, Uttar Pradesh- 221 401.

Vs.

Additional Chief Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bapu Bhawan, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh- 226 001.

Present: None.

An application has been received by post on 12.3.2024 from St. John's School, Pachwal, Babhanauti, Sant Ravidas Nagar, Bhadohi, Uttar Pradesh- 221 401 for grant of minority status certificate. It be registered.

- 2. It transpires from the petition that on 21.10.2023, the petitioner institution has applied for grant of No Objection Certificate to the State Competent Authority i.e. Additional Chief Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bapu Bhawan, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh- 226 001, which was received by the respondent on 2.11.2023. The said petition is still pending as per the petitioner institution. The petitioner has waited sufficiently for period of 90 days as per Section 10 of NCMEI Act, 2004, before filing this petition. The petitioner has already filed the proof of delivery of track consignment to the respondent.
- 3. The petitioner has filed copy of certificate dated 10.3.2023 issued by ICSE certifying that the petitioner institution is affiliated to the said council which is valid upto 31.3.2028.
- 4. Petitioner has filed Resolution Passed by the Governing Body to obtain Minority Status Certificate from this Commission and envelope with postage for sending notice to the State Competent Authority.
- 5. It also transpires from the petition that the petitioner Institute is an unaided institution (Secondary).
- 6. During the academic year 2021-22, out of total 256 students, 06 students were from the Christian minority community, in the year 2022-23, out of total 270 students, 06 students were from the Christian minority community and in the year 2023-24, out of total 348 students, 08 students are from the Christian minority community.
- 7. It transpires from the petition that the amendment in the Memorandum of Association of the petitioner Society was done prior to the filing application u/s 10 of NCMEI Act. 2004 and also petition before this Commission for grant of Minority Status Certificate.
- 8. Office is directed to issue notice to the respondent by registered AD and e-mail.
- 9. List on 16.7.2024.

21.3.2024

Baring Union Christian College, Jalandhar Road, Batala, Gurdaspur, Punjab- 143 505.

Vs.

Additional Chief Secretary Higher Education and Languages Punjab Punjab Civil Secretariat-II, Sector-9A, Chandigarh.

Present: None.

An application has been received by post on 11.3.2024 from Baring Union Christian College, Jalandhar Road, Batala, Gurdaspur, Punjab- 143 505 for grant of minority status certificate. It be registered.

- 2. It transpires from the petition that on 4.10.2023, the petitioner institution has applied for grant of No Objection Certificate to the State Competent Authority i.e. Additional Chief Secretary Higher Education and Languages Punjab Punjab Civil Secretariat-II, Sector-9A, Chandigarh, which was received by the respondent on 2.11.2023. The said petition is still pending as per the petitioner institution. The petitioner has waited sufficiently for period of 90 days as per Section 10 of NCMEI Act, 2004, before filing this petition. The petitioner has already filed the proof of delivery of track consignment to the respondent.
- 3. The petitioner has filed copy of certificate issued by Assistant Registrar (Colleges), Guru Nanak Dev University that the petitioner institution is permanently affiliated to the said university.
- 4. Petitioner has filed Resolution Passed by the Governing Body to obtain Minority Status Certificate from this Commission and envelope with postage for sending notice to the State Competent Authority.
- 5. It also transpires from the petition that the petitioner Institute is an unaided institution (Higher Education-General Degree).
- 6. During the academic year 2021-22, out of total 1341 students, 135 students were from the Christian minority community, in the year 2022-23, out of total 1364 students, 133 students were from the Christian minority community and in the year 2023-24, out of total 1251 students, 167 students are from the Christian minority community.
- 7. It transpires from the petition that the amendment in the Memorandum of Association of the petitioner Society was done prior to the filing application u/s 10 of NCMEI Act. 2004 and also petition before this Commission for grant of Minority Status Certificate.
- 8. Office is directed to issue notice to the respondent by registered AD and e-mail. Record of Case No. 179 of 2023 be tagged with the record of this case.
- 9. List on 16.7.2024.