Sir Syed Balika Inter College, Ghauspur, Mahul, District Azamgarh, Uttar Pradesh – 223 225.

#### V/s.

- 1. Additional Chief Secretary, Department of School Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bahu Khandi, Uttar Pradesh – 226 001.
- 2. Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Secondary Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bahu Khandi, Uttar Pradesh 226 001.

## CASE NO. 250 OF 2022

Date: 01.10.2024

Present: Mr. Junais P., Advocate for the petitioner. None for the respondent.

Despite sending reminder letter to members of physical inspection committee, no response/ physical inspection report received from them till now.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has stated that members of the physical inspection committee have already inspected petitioner institution.

Office is directed that if the above-said inspection report is not received, then send afresh reminder letter by post and also by e-mail to the members of the physical inspection committee for sending the original physical inspection report duly signed by all the members of the physical inspection committee positively before the next date of hearing.

List the matter on 10.12.2024

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

St. Thomas School, Sunari, Bichpuri P.O., District Agra, Uttar Pradesh – 283 105.

V/s.

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

#### CASE NO. 245 OF 2022

Date: 01.10.2024

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

On 16.08.2024 a letter issued by this Commission to Chief Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh however, the envelope has returned unserved with the remarks that address of Chief Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh is incomplete.

In view of the matter, there is no need to issue letter to the concerned Chief Secretary as on 06.08.2024, a physical inspection report dated 30.07.2024 has been received by post from the District Magistrate, Agra. Today the same is taken on record.

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

List the matter for final arguments on 11.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Ayushman College of Nursing, Gwalior Road, Pidora, Bhind Dist., Madhya Pradesh.

V/s.

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

#### CASE NO. 181 OF 2021

Date: 01.10.2024

Present: Mr. Junais P., Advocate for the petitioner. None for the respondent.

On 02.09.2024, physical inspection report dated 29.08.2024 has been received by post from the Assistant Director, Backward Classes and Minority Welfare Department, Dist. Bhind, M.P., which appears to be a copy.

Office is directed to send reminder letter by post and also by email to members of the physical inspection committee for sending the original physical inspection report in the format as prescribed by the Commission. Also direct them that the same should be signed by all the members of the physical inspection committee.

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to file updated recognition/ affiliation order issued by the competent authority of the State Government. Let the same be filed on or before the next date.

List on 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Islamia Lilbinat Junior High School, Parikshit Garh, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh – 250 406.

V/s.

- 1. Additional Chief Secretary, Department of School Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bahu Khandi, Uttar Pradesh 226 001.
- 2. Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Secondary Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bahu Khandi, Uttar Pradesh 226 001.

## CASE NO. 64 OF 2022

Date: 01.10.2024

Present: Mr. Junais P., Advocate for the petitioner. None for the respondent.

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to comply with the order dated 01.08.2024. Time prayed for is allowed.

List the matter on 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

R.C.M. High School, St. Thomas Mount, Chennai, Tamil Nadu – 600 016.

V/s.

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

#### CASE NO. 175 OF 2020

#### Date: 01.10.2024

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

Despite sending reminder letter to members of physical inspection committee, no response/ physical inspection report received from them till now.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has stated that members of the physical inspection committee have already inspected petitioner institution.

Office is directed that if the above-said inspection report is not received, then send afresh reminder letter by post and also by e-mail to the members of the physical inspection committee for sending the original physical inspection report duly signed by all the members of the said committee positively before the next date of hearing.

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to file updated recognition/ affiliation order issued by the competent authority of the State Government. Let the same be filed on or before the next date.

List the matter on 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

St. Joseph's Girls Hr. Sec. School, Jayamadha Nagar, Jolarpettai, Vellore Dist., Tamil Nadu – 635 851.

#### V/s.

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

#### CASE NO. 177 OF 2020

Date: 01.10.2024

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

Despite sending reminder letter to members of physical inspection committee, no response/ physical inspection report received from them till now.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has stated that members of the physical inspection committee have already inspected petitioner institution.

Office is directed that if the above-said inspection report is not received, then send afresh reminder letter by post and also by e-mail to the members of the physical inspection committee for sending the original physical inspection report duly signed by all the members of the said committee positively before the next date of hearing.

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to file updated recognition/ affiliation order issued by the competent authority of the State Government. Let the same be filed on or before the next date.

List the matter on 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Amala Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Thuraiyur Road, Musiri, Trichy District, Tamil Nadu.

#### V/s.

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

#### CASE NO. 130 OF 2021

Date: 01.10.2024

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

Despite sending reminder letter to Chief Secretary of Government of Tamil Nadu and members of physical inspection committee, no response/ physical inspection report received from them till now.

Office is directed that if the above-said inspection report is not received, then send afresh reminder letter by post and also by e-mail to Chief Secretary of Government of Tamil Nadu with a request to direct the members of physical inspection committee for sending the physical inspection report before the next date of hearing. Also send afresh reminder letter to members of the physical inspection committee for sending the original physical inspection report duly signed by all the members of the said committee positively before the next date of hearing.

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to file updated recognition/ affiliation order issued by the competent authority of the State Government. Let the same be filed on or before the next date.

List the matter on 10.12.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Kodaikanal International School, Seven Roads Junction, Kodaikanal, Tamil Nadu – 624 101.

#### V/s.

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

#### CASE NO. 97 OF 2020

Date: 01.10.2024

Present: Mr. Akshat Singh, Advocate for the petitioner. None for the respondent.

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to file rejoinder in terms of orders dated 31.07.2024. Time prayed for is allowed.

Despite sending reminder letter to Chief Secretary, Government of Tamil Nadu and members of physical inspection committee, no response/ physical inspection report received from them till now.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that members of the said committee have already inspected their institution.

Office is directed that if the above-said inspection report is not received, then send afresh reminder letter by post and also by e-mail to Chief Secretary of Government of Tamil Nadu with a request to direct the members of physical inspection committee for sending the physical inspection report before the next date of hearing. Also send afresh reminder letter to members of the physical inspection committee for sending the original physical inspection report duly signed by all the members of the said committee positively before the next date of hearing.

Office is directed to furnish copy of above-said letters to learned counsel for the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to approach the members of the said committee for sending the original inspection report duly signed by all the three members of the physical inspection committee positively before the next date of hearing.

List the matter on 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Guru Nanak Girls High School, Khirki Ali Beg, Faizabad, Uttar Pradesh – 224 001.

V/s.

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

## CASE NO. 379 OF 2020

Date: 01.10.2024

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

On 12.09.2024, a physical inspection report dated 06.09.2024 has been received by post from the District Minority Welfare Officer, Ayodhya. Today the same is taken on record.

On 19.09.2024, a communication dated 09.09.20204 by post has been received from the Additional District Magistrate (Administration), Ayodhya, which is self-explanatory and is taken on record.

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

List the matter for final arguments on 11.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

St. Pauls College, # E-1, St. Pauls Campus, Nelagadharanahalli, Nagasandra P.O., Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 073.

V/s.

Additional Chief Secretary, Higher Education Department, Government of Karnataka.

#### CASE NO. 151 OF 2021

Date: 01.10.2024

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

Despite issuance of summon the members of physical inspection committee not appeared before the Commission and has not complied with the order dated 01.08.2024.

Secretary of the Commission is directed to issue afresh summon to the members of the said committee, mentioning therein as to why action should not be taken against them for non-compliance of Commission's orders dated 01.08.2024.

List the matter on 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Asha Niketan School of Nursing, Bhopal Village, Huzur Tehsil, Bhopal District, Madhya Pradesh.

V/s.

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

#### CASE NO. 154 OF 2021

Date: 01.10.2024

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

Despite sending reminder letter to members of physical inspection committee, no response/ physical inspection report received from them till now.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has stated that members of the physical inspection committee have already inspected petitioner institution.

Office is directed that if the above-said inspection report is not received, then send afresh reminder letter by post and also by e-mail to the members of the physical inspection committee for sending the original physical inspection report duly signed by all the members of the physical inspection committee positively before the next date of hearing.

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks time to file updated recognition/ affiliation order issued by the competent authority of the State Government. Let the same be filed on or before the next date.

List the matter on 10.12.2024

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

De Paul School, Bilsi Road, Bisauli, Buduan District, Uttar Pradesh – 243 720.

V/s.

The Additional Chief Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh.

#### CASE NO. 171 OF 2023

Date: 01.10.2024

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

Order dictated separately and pronounced, which reads as under: -

Relying on the said unrebutted evidence produced on behalf of the petitioner, we find and hold that the De Paul School, Bilsi Road, Bisauli, Buduan District, Uttar Pradesh, run by the De Paul Educational Society, is eligible for grant of minority status on religious basis. The evidence also proves that the said educational institution was established with the main objective of sub-serving the interests of the Christian minority community.

Consequently, De Paul School, Bilsi Road, Bisauli, Buduan District, Uttar Pradesh, is declared as an unaided minority educational institution covered under Article 30 of the Constitution of India within the meaning of Section 2(g) of the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions Act, 2004 subject to the condition that the petitioner would file an affidavit for undertaking to the fact that the petitioner institution shall not deny admission of eligible candidate of the Christian minority community subject to the eligibility of the students and availability of the accommodation in the petitioner institution. If the petitioner institution failed to comply the above order of this Commission within a period of three months from the date of order passed by this Commission then the petition filed by the petitioner for grant of msc will be automatically deemed to be dismissed.

After compliance of the above order, a minority status certificate be issued accordingly.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of in accordance with this order.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Amar Jyoti High School, Pardih, Mango, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand – 831 020.

V/s.

Director, Secondary Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, S.E. & L Department, MDI Building, Post Dhurwa, District Ranchi, Jharkhand – 834 004.

#### CASE NO. 145 OF 2023

Date: 01.10.2024

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

Order dictated separately and pronounced, which reads as under: -

Relying on the said unrebutted evidence produced on behalf of the petitioner, we find and hold that the Amar Jyoti High School, Pardih, Mango, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, run by the Amar Jyoti Society, is eligible for grant of minority status on religious basis. The evidence also proves that the said educational institution was established with the main objective of sub-serving the interests of the Christian minority community.

Consequently, Amar Jyoti High School, Pardih, Mango, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, is declared as an unaided minority educational institution covered under Article 30 of the Constitution of India within the meaning of Section 2(g) of the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions Act, 2004.

A minority status certificate be issued accordingly.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of in accordance with this order.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Alpha Elite High, Berigai Road, Belathur Post, Bagalur, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu- 635 124.

Vs.

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

## Case No. 04 of 2023

1.10.2024

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

In compliance of Commission's earlier order dated 13.8.2024, learned counsel for the petitioner has filed clarification affidavit with regard to the percentage of students which was received before the Commission's office on 26.9.2024. The same is taken on record.

It is mentioned in the affidavit that the petitioner institution is having sufficient number of Christian students as prescribed by the Hon'ble Commission. However, the inspection report received by this Hon'ble Commission does not have the data for the academic year 2024-25 which will show the actual strength.

Office is directed to send letter to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the physical inspection report mentioning the data students and teachers for the academic year 2024-25 positively before the next date of hearing. Office is directed to enclose a copy of the physical inspection report along with the letter.

In the interest of justice, list on 10.12.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Krist Raja Vidyalaya, Pakdilpur, Giduraha, Manikpur, Chitrakoot District, Uttar Pradesh- 210 208.

Vs.

Additional Chief Secretary, Basic Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bapu Bhawan, 7th Floor, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh – 226 001.

Case No. 253 of 2023

1.10.2024

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

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner. Reserved for orders.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

St. Theresa's School, Sarai Marukhpur, Sandila P.O. Sandila, District Hardoi, Uttar Pradesh- 241 204.

Vs.

Additional Chief Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bapu Bhawan, 7th Floor, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh– 226001.

## Case No. 255 of 2023

1.10.2024

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

Renotify for final arguments on 15.10.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Falah-E-Milat Multipurpose Educational & Welfare Society, Shegaon, Tq. Shegaon, District - Buldhana. Vs.

State of Maharashtra Secretary, Department of Minority Development, Mantralaya, Mumbai.

## Appeal No. 05 of 2023

1.10.2024

**Present:** Mr. Junais P., Advocate for the petitioner. None for the respondent.

Despite issue of reminder letter to the respondent, no reply has been received. Also despite sending letter to the Under Secretary, Minority Development Department, Maharashtra, English translation of the letter dated 30.6.2024 has not been received from the said officer.

Office is directed to send reminder letter to the respondent to file reply and also reminder letter to Under Secretary, Minority Development Department, Maharashtra to file English translation of the letter dated 30.6.2024 before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 10.12.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Auxilium English Medium High School, Srinivasa Hall Road, Ongole, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh- 523 001.

Vs.

Secretary, Department of Minorities Welfare, Government of Andhra Pradesh, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amravati, Andhra Pradesh- 522 503.

## Case No. 142 of 2024

1.10.2024

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

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.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected the petitioner institution.

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

Learned counsel for the petitioner has prayed for time to file updated recognition order issued by the Competent Authority. Time prayed for is allowed.

In the interest of justice, list on 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Mount Carmel School, At Hearunganj, Hazaribag, Jharkhand- 825 302.

Vs.

Director, Primary Education, Department of School Education & Literacy S.E & L. Department, MDI Building, Post - Dhurwa, District - Ranchi, Jharkhand- 834 004.

## Case No. 143 of 2024

1.10.2024

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

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.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected the petitioner institution.

Office is directed to issue reminder letter by post and e-mail 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 11.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Auxilium Primary School, Srinivasa Hall Road, Ongole, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh- 523 001.

Vs.

Secretary, Department of Minorities Welfare, Government of Andhra Pradesh, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amravati, Andhra Pradesh- 522 503.

## Case No. 144 of 2024

1.10.2024

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

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.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected the petitioner institution.

Office is directed to issue reminder letter by post and e-mail 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 10.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

St. Xavier's School, Near Wockhardt Hospital, Kalawad Road, Rajkot District, Gujarat- 360 001.

Vs.

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

## Case No. 145 of 2024

1.10.2024

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

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks leave to withdraw the petition with liberty to file a fresh petition for the same relief. Leave and liberty is granted.

The petition is disposed of as withdrawn.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Dashmesh Public School, V&PO Matkhera, District Rampur, Uttar Pradesh- 244 921.

Vs.

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

## Case No. 150 of 2024

1.10.2024

**Present:** Mr. Junais P., Advocate for the petitioner. None for the respondent.

In compliance of the Commission's earlier order dated 1.8.2024, Shri Vinod Kumar has filed letter dated 29.7.2024 of District Inspector of Schools, Rampur along with Physical Inspection Report before the Commission's office on 1.8.2024, which is taken on record. The said report is not the prescribed format and only signed by District Inspector of Schools.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the members of the Physical Inspection Committee have already inspected the petitioner institution.

Office is directed to issue reminder letter by post and e-mail to the members of the Physical Inspection Committee for sending the physical inspection report in the prescribed format duly signed by all the members of the physical inspection committee positively before the next date of hearing.

In the interest of justice, list on 11.12.2024.

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

Hindustani Education Society Ausa, District Latur, Maharashtra-413 520 (Azad Mahavidyalaya, Ausa, Afsar Nagar, Ausa, Tal. Ausa, District Latur, Maharashtra).

Vs.

- 1. The Registrar, Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Dynangangotri, Near Gangapur Dam, Goverdhan, Nashik, Maharashtra 422 222.
- 2. Secretary, Higher and Technical Education & Employment Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai, Maharashtra- 400 032.

Misc. Case No. 10 of 2024

1.10.2024

Present: None.

None appeared on behalf of the petitioner and the petitioner has failed to comply with the Commission's earlier order dated 22.2.2024.

Office is directed to issue notice to the petitioner to show cause as to why the petition should not be dismissed.

List on 11.12.2024

## DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

1.10.2024

Little Flower School, Ward No. 8, Attawa, Gandhi Nagar, Harraiya, Basti, Uttar Pradesh. Vs.

- (i) Additional Chief Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Bapu Bhavan, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- (ii) Basic Shiksha Adhikari, Turkahiya, Basti, Uttar Pradesh- 272 001.

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

A complaint under Section 12D and 12E of the NCMEI Act, 2004 has been received on 20.9.2024 seeking investigation against the respondents on matters relating to deprivation of educational rights of minorities It be registered under the Miscellaneous head of cases.

It is stated in the complaint that the complainant institution has been granted Minority Status by the Commission on 6.8.2012 in Case No. 580 of 2012

Office is directed to issue notice to the respondents by registered AD and email.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is directed to file copy of the Judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Pramati Educational & Cultural Trust & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Ors. 2014 (8) SCC and other relevant documents and also furnish the same to the respondents.

List on 20.11.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER

1.10.2024

St. Anthonys Convent School, NUH Road, Karna, Palwal, Haryana-121 102.

Vs.

# Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Room No. 37, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Haryana Civil Secretariat, Sector - 1, Chandigarh- 160 001.

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

An application has been filed by hand on 23.9.2024 from St. Anthonys Convent School, NUH Road, Karna, Palwal, Haryana- 121 102 for grant of minority status certificate. It be registered.

2. It transpires from the petition that on 29.2.2024, the petitioner institution has applied for grant of No Objection Certificate to the State Competent Authority i.e. Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Room No. 37, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Haryana Civil Secretariat, Sector-1, Chandigarh- 160 001, which was received by the respondent on 2.3.2024. 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.

3. The petitioner has filed copy of letter dated 29.4.2024 issued by CBSE granting affiliation to the petitioner institution for the period 1.4.2025 to 31.3.2030.

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 2022-23, out of 712 students, 15 students were from the Christian minority community, in the year 2023-24, out of total 673 students, 21 students and in the year 2023-24, out of 655 students, 23 students were from the Christian minority community.

7. It transpires that the amendment in the Memorandum of Association of the petitioner Society was done prior to filing application u/s 10 of NCMEI Act. 2004 before the State Competent Authority and also petition before this Commission for grant of Minority Status Certificate.

8. In the meeting convened by the Commission with the State Competent Authority of Haryana on 2.9.2024, the State competent authority has conveyed that they will issue separate guidelines for minority educational institutions for grant of No Objection Certificate.

9. Article 30 of the Constitution of India provides for linguistic and religious minorities a fundamental right to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice.

10. Office is directed to issue notice to the respondent by registered AD and e-mail.

11. List on 11.12.2024.

DR. SHAHID AKHTER MEMBER