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भारत सरकार/ Government of India

Case No. CCPD/15571/1031/24

Dated: 23/09/2025

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In the matter of —

Anushka Priyadarshini

...Complainant

Versus

The Registrar,

University of Delhi

...Respondent

(1) Gist of Proceedings:

1.1 Ms. Anushka Priyadarshini, with 45% intellectual disability, filed a complaint on 24.06.2024, alleging lack of transparency in the University of Delhi's 2024 admission process for 5-Year Integrated Law Programs/ Course, citing non-disclosure of PwBD category cut-off marks, inaccessible non-OCR PDFs, and unverified CLAT scorecards thereby violating Sections 3, 21, 23, 32, and 42 of the RPwD Act, 2016 and Rule 15 of RPwD Rules, 2017. The complainant has sought disclosure of cut-offs, accessible formats, scorecard verification, fee waivers, and expungement of a coerced satisfaction letter.

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1.2 A notice was issued on 24.07.2024 under the mandates and powers conferred upon this Court vide sections 75 and 77 of the RPwD Act, 2016 (the Act), to the University of Delhi, calling for their comments on the Complaint in the light of statutory provisions of sections 32, and 42 of the Act read with Rule 15 of the RPwD Rules. The Respondent replied on 07.05.2025, denying any violations, stating the dynamic nature of the horizontal PwBD reservations, which change according to the change in the vertical category of the selected candidate (PwBD cut-offs: 67.25 for B.A. LL.B., 54.50 for B.B.A. LL.B.). The University further relied on the lack of any statutory or other mandate for separate cut-offs for PwD students. In their support, they cited the Hon'ble Supreme Court judgement in Rekha Sharma Vs. High Court of Rajasthan (Civil Appeal 5051/2023). The Respondent further submitted that there was no legally binding mandate to upload only OCR files on their website.

1.3 The Complainant's rejoinder on 12.07.2025 refuted the response, reiterating non-disclosure, inaccessibility, and fraud risks due to unverified scorecards, demanding transparency, accessible formats, fee waivers, and urgent resolution to prevent further distress, supported by RTI details and legal precedents.

1.4 The matter was scheduled to be heard on 03.09.2025. However, the Complainant vide her email dated 02.09.2025, submitted that her grievance has substantially been resolved as the Respondent has declared the minimum cut-off marks for all its programmes in the current academic session, albeit opposing any binding legal obligation to do so.

(2) Observations and Recommendations:

2.1 Upon considering the submissions and the case records in the light of the RPwD Act and other relevant laws, it is apparent that the Complainant's main grievance has been redressed. The

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Complainant has also acknowledged the same. As such, no further intervention of the Court is required. However, Respondent's attention is again brought to Section 42 of the RPwD Act, 2016, which requires appropriate governments to ensure that all contents available in audio, print and electronic media are in an accessible format. The Central Government vide Rule 15 (1) (c) of the RPwD Rules, 2017 has very clearly mandated that documents to be placed on websites of all establishments, even private establishments, shall be in Electronic Publication (ePUB) or Optical Character Reader (OCR) based PDF format. Thus, the Respondent's contention on this account is incorrect.

2.2 Accordingly, the Respondent shall ensure that no inaccessible document is uploaded on the website of the University or any of its constituents. The Respondent shall submit an Access Audit Report together with an Action Taken Report on the said Audit Report within 3 months.

2.3 The case is disposed of in the above terms with the approval of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities.

Yours faithfully,

(Praveen Prakash Ambashta)
Dy. Chief Commissioner

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