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**Case No.** CCPD/16357/1041/26

**Dated:** 17/02/2026

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**In the matter of —**

Master Atharv Ashok Nonia

**... Complainant**

**Versus**

The Secretary,

Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE),

Preet Vihar, Delhi-110092

**... Respondent No.1**

The Principal,

Kamal Model Senior Secondary School,

Mohan Garden, New Delhi-110059

**... Respondent No.2**

**1. Gist of Proceedings:**

1.1 The Complainant is a student of Class XII (PCB stream) studying in Kamal Model Senior Secondary School, New Delhi. He filed the complaint dated 08.02.2026 alleging denial of reasonable accommodation in the CBSE Class XII Board Examination, namely permission to use a calculator (and allied examination support).

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1.2 The Complainant states that he has a benchmark disability in the nature of Specific Learning Disability (Dyscalculia). He obtained a UDID card on 23.11.2025 (valid till February 2027). He submits that the disability certification was issued after the relevant timelines for registration on the CBSE system, and therefore, the request could not be processed in time.

1.3 The Complainant seeks permission to use a calculator, particularly for Physics numericals, and other suitable examination support as may be required for fair participation.

## **2. Preliminary Hearing**

2.1 On 11.02.2026, the matter was taken up for a preliminary hearing to determine the admissibility. CBSE was present. After hearing the parties, the Court decided to register the case and issue notices to the CBSE and the school concerned, noting that the school is a necessary party because the accommodation request is processed through the school. Considering the urgency of the matter, it was decided to list the case for a hearing on the next day, i.e., on 12.02.2026, at the top of the list.

2.2 Accordingly, a Record of Proceedings-cum- Notice for Reply and appearance, dated 11.02.2026, was issued to Respondent No.1 (CBSE) and Respondent No.2 (School) along with a copy of the complaint and documents. The Respondents were called upon to file comments and requisite documents before the hearing dated 12.02.2026, with due caution that the complaint may be disposed of ex parte in case of non-response.

2.3 No Reply was received from any of the parties.

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### 3. Hearing:

3.1 The regular hearing was held on 12.02.2026 in hybrid mode. The following were present at the hearing.

Sl. No.	Name & Designation of the Attendees (Smt./Shri)	On behalf of	Mode of Presence
1.	Ashok Kumar Nonia	Complainant	Online
2.	Satya Saroj, Under Secretary, CBSE	Respondent	Online
3.	Pushap Lata, TGT Coordinator	Respondent	Online

### 4. Record of Proceedings During the Preliminary Hearing

4.1 **Reply of CBSE (Respondent No.1):** CBSE submitted that accommodations like extra time, scribe, or calculator are to be applied through the prescribed process and within timelines, generally through school registration on the concerned portal supported by a disability certificate. CBSE stated that the request was outside the timeline and that there is no policy to condone such delay as routine, except where supported by a school recommendation and/or a direction from the competent authority.

4.2 **Reply of the School (Respondent No.2):** The School acknowledged the Complainant's SLD/UDID status. It stated that the UDID/disability documentation was furnished after submission of the LOC, and therefore, the request could not be uploaded in time. The School submitted that, upon receipt of

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the documents, it forwarded the request to CBSE. The School also supported the need for accommodation based on the Complainant's performance in the pre-board examinations.

**4.3 Submission of the Complainant:** The Complainant reiterated that the delay of about 7 months occurred in the issuance of UDID/disability certification and that the family became aware of the condition at a later stage. He clarified that he primarily requires a calculator for numerical calculations and also relies on medical recommendations. He clarified that a calculator is required only for Physics (numerical calculations) and provided medical recommendations from Gautam Buddha Nagar Hospital. The Complainant scored 71/100 in Class X Mathematics (51/80 theory, 20/20 internal) without accommodation but struggled in pre-board exams (e.g., 21/70 in Physics theory).

## **5. Observations/Recommendations:**

**5.1** The Court examined Class X marks (71/100 in Mathematics), pre-board scores, and UDID details. The Complainant explained that it was only after a friend's suggestion that they sought an assessment when the child was in Class 12. Later, the assessment and certification also experienced procedural delays. The school confirmed an SLD but cited CBSE rules for the internal denial. The CBSE stated that it has no policy to waive the delay, with or without a condonation fee. However, they undertake to review the status based on this court's direction. The Court notes procedural delays in UDID issuance (March-November 2025), the lack of early detection, and the absence of a special educator at the school, despite parental disclosure. The Court further noted that dyscalculia affects calculations and that low pre-board scores justify support. As such, it prioritises the child's right to reasonable accommodation under Sections 3 and 17 of the RPwD Act, 2016, to prevent discrimination.

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5.2 The school is recommended to immediately (today) write to CBSE, detailing delays and requesting a calculator for Physics in board exams, consulting parents for other facilities (e.g., extra time/scribe).

5.3 CBSE is recommended to consider this as a special case, granting accommodation without precedent value, ensuring compliance with the RPwD Act for inclusive education.

5.4 An action taken report be submitted within 7 days. Failing which, this will be constrained to take action as per sec. 77, 78, 89, and 93 of the Act.

6. Accordingly, the case is disposed of.

**Yours faithfully,**

**(S. Govindaraj)  
Commissioner**

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