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COURT OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)

दिव्यांगजन सशक्तिकरण विभाग / Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय / Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

भारत सरकार/ Government of India

Case No. CCPD/15257/1014/24

Dated: 25/02/2026

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In the matter of—

**Complainant**

Dr. Sonam Kumar Pruthi

**Versus**

**Respondent(s)**

1. The Registrar, University of Delhi

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2. The Principal, University College of Medical Sciences

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**I. Hearing:**

1.1. A hearing in hybrid mode (online/offline) was conducted on 03.09.2025 wherein following parties/representatives were present :

Sl. No.	Name of the parties /Representatives	For Complainant/ Respondent	Mode of Attendance
1.	Dr. Sonam Kumar Pruthi	Complainant	Online
2.	Adv. Parv Garg	Counsel for Respondent No. 1	Online
3.	Mr. Bipin Tiwari, Nodal Officer	Respondent No. 1	Online

**2. RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

2.1. The complainant submitted that he had applied for the post of Assistant Professor in UCMS in December 2023. Initially, his candidature was not considered on the grounds that he did not possess a permanent disability certificate. He explained that his disability is of a progressive nature, requiring

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reassessment every five years. After repeated representations, he was shortlisted and called for an interview in January 2024. The complainant also stated that during the interview, he was asked irrelevant questions unrelated to the duties of an Assistant Professor. Despite being the only candidate in the Persons with Disabilities (PWD) category with significant academic achievements, he was not selected. He further alleged that the selection process appeared biased and in favour of the internal candidates.

2.2. The Court viewed the absence of a representative from UCMS seriously and remarked that repeated non-responsiveness is unacceptable.

2.3. When inquired about the absence of Respondent No. 2, the learned Counsel for Respondent No. 1 submitted that he represented the Delhi University, but its constituent colleges, including the UCMS, are autonomous in certain matters. The learned Counsel, however, assured that the University would take note of the issue and would raise it with the concerned authorities. Respondent No. 1 also submitted that attempts had been made to contact UCMS, but no response was received. The learned Counsel also sought a short time to ensure compliance by the UCMS.

2.4. The Court recommended that a strong notice be issued to the UCMS for its absence despite due intimation. Failure to attend the next hearing would result in the matter proceeding ex parte, and would also constrain this court to initiate action under sections 89 and 93 of the RPwD Act, 2016.

3. This is issued with the approval of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities.

**Yours faithfully,**

**(Praveen Prakash Ambashta)**  
**Dy. Chief Commissioner**

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