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COURT OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)

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

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Diary No. DNO/26/CCPD/6283

Dated: 02/09/2026

Case No: DNO/26/CCPD/6283

In the Matter of

Complainant

Shri Banti Kumar

Versus

Respondent(s)

The Director, IIT Roorkee

1. Background of the Case

1.1 The Complainant, Shri Banti Kumar, an SC candidate with benchmark low vision, submitted that IIT Roorkee has refused to update his PwD status in the JEE Advanced 2026 portal despite his submission of a valid disability certificate issued by the Chief Medical Officer, Deoria. He alleged that IIT Roorkee is stating that it cannot modify the data received from NTA, which has prevented him from availing compensatory time and uploading Form-I before the registration deadline. He contended that this amounts to denial of reasonable accommodation under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. He has requested directions to IIT Roorkee to update his PwD status in the portal so that he can avail compensatory time and complete the required registration formalities.

2. Hearing

2.1. A preliminary hearing was conducted on 04.08.2026 in hybrid mode, wherein the following parties/representatives were present:

Sl. No.	Name of the Parties / Representatives	On Behalf of
1.	Shri Banti Kumar	Complainant

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2.2 No representatives on behalf of the Respondent were present during the proceedings.

3. Record of Proceedings

3.1 During the proceedings, the Complainant, Shri Banti Kumar, submitted that he is a person with benchmark disability and had appeared in the JEE (Advanced) Examination. He stated that although he had subsequently obtained a valid UDID card, he was unable to avail the benefits available to candidates with disabilities, as his application had been processed under the General Category. The Complainant submitted that he had applied for the UDID card on 06.03.2026, received the certificate on 06.04.2026, and thereafter sought recognition of his disability status. He contended that despite subsequently furnishing his UDID details, he was not extended the benefits of reservation or other disability-related accommodations during the examination.

3.2 Upon consideration of the submissions, the Court verified the chronology of events with reference to the JEE (Advanced) 2026 Information Brochure/Notification (issued by the National Testing Agency), including the prescribed last date for submission of the online application as well as the subsequent application correction window made available by the examination authorities. The Court observed that the last date for submission of applications had expired on 28.02.2026, whereas the Complainant applied for the UDID card only on 06.03.2026 and the disability certificate was issued on 06.04.2026. The Court further took note of the fact that the examination authorities also provide candidates with a limited correction window after closure of applications for making permissible modifications to the application form. However, even during such period, the Complainant did not possess a valid disability certificate or UDID card that could have enabled him to seek consideration under the PwBD category.

3.3 In view of the above chronology, the Court observed that disability-related benefits and accommodations under the applicable examination rules can ordinarily be extended only where the candidate possesses the requisite disability certification within the timelines prescribed under the examination process. The Court further observed that the National Testing Agency (NTA), in accordance with its established examination procedure, provides a correction window to enable candidates to rectify or update permissible particulars, including disability-related information, within the prescribed timelines. However, as the Complainant neither possessed nor could produce a valid disability certificate during the application period or within the correction window, the Court found that the inability to extend disability-related benefits arose solely on account of the non-availability of the requisite certificate within the

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prescribed timelines and not due to any procedural irregularity, omission, or lapse attributable to the National Testing Agency or the Respondent.

3.4 Accordingly, the Court observed that no actionable cause survives for adjudication in the present proceedings and, therefore, the complaint has become infructuous. In the facts and circumstances of the case, the Court found no procedural infirmity on the part of the National Testing Agency warranting interference and, consequently, determined that no further intervention is called for in the present matter.

4. Accordingly, the case is disposed of.

Yours faithfully,

**(S. Govindaraj)
Commissioner**

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