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Case No. 14504/1141/2023

In the matter of —

Suo-motu

Versus

The Registrar,
 Jawaharlal Nehru University
 New Mehrauli road, JNU Ring Road,
 New Delhi - 110067
 Email: registrar@mail.jnu.ac.in

... Respondent

1. Gist of the Complaint:

1.1 On 07.09.2023, the daily "Dainik Jagran" published a news under the headline "जेएनयू में छात्रावास से निकालने पर हंगामा, मारपीट का आरोप" that a divyang student, namely, Shri Farookh, who was doing Ph.D. in Russian Language and residing in the Kaveri Hostel of the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), was evicted from the hostel on the allegation of hate speech. As per the news article, the Warden of the hostel threw the belongings of the said student from the hostel room, even though he had obtained a stay order from a Court of competent jurisdiction.

2. Notice issued to the Respondent:

2.1 In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 75 & 77 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 [hereinafter as "the Act"], a suo-motu cognisance was taken in the matter and a notice dated 29.09.2023 was issued to the Registrar, JNU for forwarding their comments.

3. Reply filed by the Respondent:

3.1 The Chief Advisor, EOO [Equal Opportunity Office], JNU vide reply dated 01.11.2023 submitted that EOO had sought comments/inputs from all the concerned departments at JNU, which reflected that Mr Farooque Alam is a Ph.D. scholar of CRS/SSL&CS. However, he is not a resident of any hostel in the campus of JNU. He further submitted that there was no report of Mr. Farooque Alam being manhandled on 06.09.2023.

4. Observations and Recommendations:

4.1. No hearing was considered necessary in view of the nature of the suo-motu proceedings and the clarification furnished by the Respondent in response to the notice.

4.2. The allegations reported in the media primarily concerned alleged eviction of a student with disability from a hostel, removal of his belongings and alleged physical mistreatment. The Respondent, however, has specifically stated that the concerned student was **not a resident of any hostel of JNU** and that there was no report of his having been manhandled on the date referred to in the media report.

4.3. However, considering that the present proceedings were initiated suo-motu on the basis of a media report concerning an alleged violation of the rights of a person with disability, the Respondent University may, in future cases, consider issuing a timely factual clarification, wherever appropriate, in respect of such media reports, particularly where the reported facts may create an impression regarding treatment of students with disabilities or compliance with their statutory rights. Accordingly, no further intervention by this Court is warranted in the matter.

4.4. Accordingly, the case is disposed of.

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Dy. Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities