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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(C) 8114/2026 & CM APPL. 42812/2026**
AARAV DHAWAN MINOR THROUGH HIS FATHER AND
NATURAL GUARDIANPetitioner
Through: Mr. Rishu Manchanda, Mr. Siddharth
Mullick and Mr. Arun Kumar Advs.

versus

GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS.Respondents
Through: Mr. Mohit Agarwal & Mr. Prerak
Khuranam, Advs. for R1-2
Mrs Avnish Ahlawat SC NSUT, Mr Nitesh Kumar
Singh, Ms Aliza Alam, Mr Mohnish Sehrawat,
Advs. for NSUT

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH

ORDER

% **10.07.2026**

1. This is a writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following reliefs:-

“a) Direct the Respondents to allow the Petitioner to register and participate in the counselling program of the Respondent No. 3 ft in order to enable the Petitioner to take admission in one of the university for the undergraduate programme in the engineering which are participating in the counselling being conducted by the Respondent No.3; . . .”

2. Pursuant to the interim directions dated 25.06.2026, the petitioner was permitted to participate in the counselling process and has been allotted seat on merit.



3. The only question is whether the petitioner is required to pay the fee as per Joint Admission Counselling (“**JAC**”) structure or as per Direct Admission of Students Abroad (“**DASA**”) structure. The same would require detailed arguments and also a perusal of the DASA brochure, which, as of today, is not available on the Court file.
4. It is also an admitted position that since the petitioner’s rank will secure him admission in the colleges in 3rd round in the JAC process, he would definitely obtain the same seat through the DASA process as well, as under DASA process, people with a rank much lower than that of the petitioner, get admission in the same courses.
5. The judgment of **Anushka Rengunthwar v. Union Of India passed in W.P. (C) 891/2021** is also relevant wherein the Hon’ble Supreme Court has directed that the notification dated 04.03.2021 shall only apply prospectively to Overseas Citizen of India (“**OCI**”) Card holders post 04.03.2021.
6. Admittedly, the petitioner is holding OCI Card since 2019. Hence, the above judgment shall apply on the petitioner. If the petitioner is found eligible for getting a seat in Delhi Technical University (Computer Science and Engineering) as per his rank, he shall be so allotted.
7. The petitioner shall visit the office of the respondent No.3 on Monday i.e. 13.07.2026.
8. For the time being, the petitioner shall pay the fees as per JAC admission process.
9. Mr. Manchanda, learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner does not want to participate in DASA counselling. He shall do so at his own peril.
10. List for further hearing on 13.10.2026.



11. The next date of hearing i.e. 16.07.2026 stands cancelled.
12. *Dasti.*

JULY 10, 2026 / (MS)

JASMEET SINGH, J