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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 8832/2024 & CM APPL. 35894/2024**

JUSTICE FOR ALL

..... Petitioner
Through: Mr. Khagesh B Jha, Ms. Shikha
Sharma Bagga, Ms. Vinod Kumar
Manjal and Ms. Radhika Jain,
Advocates

versus

**GURU GOBIND SINGH INDRAPRASTHA
UNIVERSITY AND ORS**

..... Respondent
Through: Ms. Anita Sahani and Ms. Shraddha
Agrawal, Advocate for R-1 (through
VC)
Ms. Mehak Nakra, ASC for GNCTD
(R-2 to R-4)
Mr. Anil Soni, Standing Counsel with
Mr. Devvrat Yadav, Advocate R-5

**CORAM:
HON'BLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TUSHAR RAO GEDELA**

ORDER

% **01.07.2024**

1. Present public interest petition has been filed seeking issuance of directions to the Respondents to ensure strict compliance of the directions issued by Supreme Court in paragraphs 5, 27 and 28 of **Varun Saini & Ors. vs. Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (2014) 16 SCC 330** and ensure the completion of counselling before 20th July and commencement of the session from 01st August in self-financed institutions affiliated with



Respondent No. 1-University.

2. Learned counsel for the Petitioner states that the Respondent No.1-University is bound by the specific directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Varun Saini** judgment, wherein the Respondent No. 1-University was directed to follow the admission schedule prescribed by the Supreme Court in **Parshvanath Charitable Trust vs. All India Council for Technical Education (2013) 3 SCC 385** in accordance with which the results of the first counselling have to be published by 30th June, last round of counselling to be completed by 20th July and the sessions have to commence from 01st August of a year.

3. He states that the admission brochure published by the Respondent No. 1-University for the academic session 2024-25 mentions that the admission schedule prescribed therein is 'tentative' thereby considering the above mentioned direction of the Supreme Court as merely advisory in nature, instead of being binding in nature. He further states that the notification dated 24th June, 2024 issued by the Respondent No. 1-University which invites the candidates to fill the preference form for certain programmes/ courses from 28th June, 2024 onwards evidences violation of directions of the Supreme Court in the **Varun Saini** judgement. He also highlights that the seat matrix is yet to be published which clearly shows delay in the admission process.

4. Issue notice. Ms. Anita Sahani, Advocate accepts notice for Respondent No.1. Ms. Mehak Nakra, ASC accepts notice for Respondent Nos.2 to 4 and Mr. Anil Soni, Standing Counsel accepts notice for Respondent No.5. Respondents are directed to file their respective counter affidavits within four weeks. Rejoinder affidavits, if any, be filed before the



next date of hearing.

5. List on 13th August, 2024.

ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

TUSHAR RAO GEDELA, J

JULY 1, 2024
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