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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ CONT.CAS(C) 863/2024
PRATEEK MALIK AND ORSPetitioners
versus

DR ALOK CHAUBEYRespondent

With

CONT.CAS(C) 895/2024, CONT.CAS(C) 689/2025, W.P.(C) 815/2024, W.P.(C) 820/2024, W.P.(C) 941/2024, W.P.(C) 1069/2024, W.P.(C) 1831/2024, W.P.(C) 7654/2024, W.P.(C) 9083/2024, W.P.(C) 7962/2024, W.P.(C) 6192/2025

For Petitioners: Mr. Tushar Sannu and Mr. Priyankar Tiwary, Advocates in Item Nos. 70,74,79.
Mr. Aditya Hooda, Mr. Manpreet Singh and Mr. Shaurya Banshtu, Advocates in Item No. 80.
Shanker Raju And Nilansh Gaur Advocates for Petitioners No. 6, 8, 9, 11, 16, 18, 19, 20, 26, 29, 31, 34, 36, 40 & 42 in Item No. 77.
Ms. Latika Chaudhary, Advocate in Item Nos. 69 to 80.

For Respondents: Mr. S.P. Das, Advocate for R-4 & 5 in Item No. 68.
Mr. Sanjay Khanna, SC with Ms. Pragya Bhushan, Ms. Vilakshana Dayma, Ms. Anshu Kumari and Mr. Saurabh Pandey, Advocates for NTA in Item Nos. 69 to 80.
Mr. Sandeep Kumar Mahapatra, CGSC with Ms. Mrinmayee Sahu, Mr. Tribhuvan and Mr. Abhimanyu Asija, Advocates for R-1 in Item No. 75.
Mr. Aly Mirza, Advocate for IGNOU in Item Nos.



69 to 80 with Mr. Kamal Kant Sahay, Dy. Registrar (IGNOU Admin) and Ms. Dipthi Nair, Dy. Registrar (IGNOU Legal).
Mr. Binod Sahu, Director Legal NTA.
Mr. Amit Kaushik and Mr. Himanshu Sharma, Advocates in Item Nos. 73 and 78.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER
24.03.2026

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1. In terms of the directions issued in CONT.CAS(C) 689/2025 on 9th March, 2026, the process of document verification has commenced. Mr. Aly Mirza, counsel for IGNOU, has placed on record an affidavit of compliance, stating that meetings were held between IGNOU and NTA on 17th March, 2026, pursuant to which certain documents have been partly received from NTA.
2. Further, Mr. Sanjay Khanna, SC for NTA, has also handed over has also handed over copies of communications dated 17th March, 2026 and 24th March, 2026, indicating that certain documents have been furnished to IGNOU for the purposes of verification.
3. It is further submitted that IGNOU has sought a revised combined merit list as well as category-wise merit lists in the format indicated in the communication dated 24th March, 2026. NTA shall provide the revised combined merit list by 2nd April, 2026, as indicated in the said communication. Upon receipt thereof, Mr. Mirza submits that the process of document verification is likely to be completed by 6th April, 2026.
4. In view of the foregoing, at the request of counsel for the



Respondents, the hearing is adjourned to 15th April, 2026.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

MARCH 24, 2026

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