





versus  
THE UNION OF INDIA & ORS. ....Respondents  
+ W.P.(C) 498/2016  
SANJAY KUMAR .....Petitioner

versus  
UNION OF INDIA & ORS .....Respondents  
+ W.P.(C) 777/2017  
K.S.M. GANESH .....Petitioner

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THE UNION OF INDIA AND ORS .....Respondents  
+ W.P.(C) 2692/2017  
RAJENDRA SINGH .....Petitioner

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UNION OF INDIA & ORS .....Respondents  
+ W.P.(C) 4806/2017 & CM APPL. 39696/2018  
RAJENDRA SINGH .....Petitioner

versus  
UNION OF INDIA & ORS .....Respondents  
+ W.P.(C) 4807/2017 & CM APPL. 40623/2018  
RAM NATH KUMAWAT & ORS .....Petitioners

versus  
UNION OF INDIA & ORS .....Respondents  
+ W.P.(C) 1664/2020 & CM APPL. 5793/2020, CM APPL.  
25420/2023  
JODHRAJ KATHAT .....Petitioner

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UNION OF INDIA AND ORS. ....Respondents

**Present:**

**For Petitioners:**

Mr. J.K Ghahlyan, Mr. Vishal Gahlayan & Ms. Vibha, Advs. in  
Item No. 8, 13

Mr. K K Rai, Sr. Adv. with Ms. Shruti Munjal, Ms. Trisha  
Dhara & Mr. Gurmehar Singh, Advs. in Item No. 5, 6, 7, 9, 11,  
10, 12, 14, 19

Mr. Naved Ahmed and Mr. Akash Raja Sahib, Advs. in Item  
No. 12

Mr. Arun Srivastava, Mr. Akhil Srivastava & Mr. Prashant,  
Advs. in Item No. 15

Mr. Seshatalpa Sai Bandaru, Adv. in Item No. 16



**For Respondents:**

Mr. Anil Soni, Sr. Adv. with Ms. Pearl Sharma, Advs. in Item Nos. 5 to 20 for Respondent no. 5 (AICTE)

Mr. Manoj Ranjan Sinha, Mr. Vishal Agrawal & Ms. Priyanshi Mathur, Advs. in Item No. 6, 8

Mr. Mukul Singh, CGSC with Mr. Aryan Dhaka, Advs. in Item No. 6, 7

Mr. Ashwini Matta, Sr. Advocate with Mr. Deepak Kunwar, Advs. in Item No. 7

Mr. Parmanand Gaur standing counsel for UGC alongwith Mr. Vibhav Mishra and Ms. Megha Gaur Adv. in Item Nos.5 and 10

Mr. Om Prakash, Mr. Vikram Singh Arya, Ms. Swati Mishra & Mr. Chandresh Pratap, Advs. for UGC in Item No. 11, 13

Mr. Vivek Goyal, Advocate, CGSC with Mr. Aryan Aggarwal, Adv. for UOI in Item No. 16, 18, 19

Mr. Sushil Gupta, Ms. Sunita Gupta & Ms. Anshika, Advs. for R4 in Item No. 16

Mr. Rajesh Kumar, SPC with Mr. Siddharth Shekhar, Adv. for UOI in Item No. 17

Mr. Varun Jain, Advocate for IGNOU in Item No. 18, 19

Mr. Balendu Shekhar CGSC with Mr. Krishna Chaitanya, Mr. Rajkumar Maurya and Mr. Divyansh Singh Dev, Advs. in Item No. 19

Mr. Vijay Joshi, CGSC with Ms. Katyayani Joshi, Advs. in Item No.20

Mr Sarvesh P Shrivastava, GP in Item No. 25

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT MAHAJAN**

**ORDER**

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**22.05.2026**

1. The batch of 16 writ petitions is pending for the last 12 years.
2. On 25.04.2014, in W.P.(C) 2510/2014, the operation of the impugned order was stayed.



3. The question is with regard to recognition of Diploma in Civil/ Electrical Engineering through distance education.
4. Learned counsel representing the Petitioner prays for adjournment.
5. Adjourned to 14.07.2026 to be listed in the “supplementary list” for final disposal.
6. No further request for adjournment shall be entertained.
7. A photocopy of the Order passed today be kept in the connected matter(s).

**ANIL KSHETARPAL, J**

**AMIT MAHAJAN, J**

**MAY 22, 2026**  
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