## In the Court of Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities 25- D, Mata Sundari Road, Near Guru Nanak Eye Centre, New Delhi-2 Phone-23216002-4, Telefax: 23216005

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[Vested with power of Civil Court under the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995]

Case No.4/467/2014-Wel./CD/	16	4-	1-4	Cy
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Dated: 22.9.)5

In the matter of:

**Dr.Ram Kishan**House No.224, Sarai Pipal Thala,
Near Adarsh Nagar,
Delhi-110033

..... Petitioner

Versus

Sh. Arvind Ray
Principal Secretary
Department of Welfare of SC/ST/OBC/Minorities
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New Delhi.

Sh.P.R.Meena
Director
Department of Social Welfare
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New Delhi-110002

.....Respondents

## **ORDER**

- 1. The petitioner stated that there is an arrangement in the Government of Delhi for facilitating coaching of students belonging to the SC/ST/OBC/Minorities for helping them to prepare for writing examinations for selection in various posts under Government of NCT of Delhi as well as Government of India. There are however no such arrangements made by the Government for helping the disabled students of the General Category.
- 2. On receipt of the representation the Principal Secretary Department of Welfare of SC/ST/OBC/Minorities was requested to include all the disabled students under the scheme for availing coaching facilities available to SC/ST/OBC/Minorities students. Since no response was received from the Department hearings were held.
- 3. The representative of the Department of Welfare of SC/ST/OBC/Minorities indicated that they could provide facilities for coaching to disabled students belonging to SC/ST/OBC/Minorities categories and not to the disabled students of General Category.

The representative of Social Welfare Department stated that since the Department of Welfare of SC/ST/OBC/Minorities is already providing coaching facilities to the disabled students of SC/ST/OBC/Minorities categories the same facilities need to be incorporated in all schemes and programmes as per provisions of Right to Education Act wherein the concept of inclusive education/training/coaching is required to be incorporated appropriately. Since the students with disabilities are a vulnerable/weaker section of the Society the scheme for giving free coaching facilities should be made available to all disabled students of General Category also.

- 4. I have considered the views of the representatives of Department of Welfare of SC/ST/OBC/Minorities and the Social Welfare Department. It is important that coaching facilities should be made available to the students with disabilities of the General Category on the lines of the facilities available to the students belonging to Department by the category SC/ST/OBC/Minorities SC/ST/OBC/Minorities as it would reduce the expenditure on the infrastructure required to be provided for the coaching facilities. It would however be necessary to make the requisite funds available to the Department of Welfare of SC/ST/OBC/Minorities by the Social Welfare Department for which a decision is required to be taken by the Competent Authority in the Government. The Social Welfare Department should initiate the proposal for obtaining the approval of the Government in this regard and file an Action Taken report within three months.
- 5. The matter is disposed of accordingly.

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commissions hand and the seal of the Court this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015.

(K.S. Mehra)

Commissioner

Court of Commissioner (Disabilities) National Capital Territory of Delhi

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