

ITEM NO.68

COURT NO.17

SECTION X

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s).65/2025

SUKHEN MONDAL & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHERS EDUCATION & ORS.

Respondent(s)

WITH

W.P.(C) No.87/2025 (X)

Diary No(s).1422/2025 (X)

(IA No.48522/2025 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REFILING/CURING THE DEFECTS)

Date : 07-04-2025 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHSANUDDIN AMANULLAH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRASHANT KUMAR MISHRA

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Kausar Raza Faridi, AOR (N.P.)

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

W.P.(C) No.65/2025 & W.P.(C) No.87/2025

The matters have been taken out of turn, on the plea of learned counsel for the petitioners on the ground that as per the

order of the High Court of Calcutta the petitioners, who have continued in service, were required to undergo a bridge course to be developed by the NCTE within one year from 08.04.2024 and the petitioners and other similarly situated persons had to clear the same within six months after its notification.

2. Learned counsel for the NCTE submitted that the NCTE was required to device a module for such bridge course and the petitioners had to complete the same latest by 07.04.2025 i.e., today, as per the direction given by this Court dated 08.04.2024 in "Devesh Sharma vs. Union of India & Ors." (Diary No.4303/2024).

3. She submitted that the High Court of Calcutta may not have correctly appreciated the import of the order dated 08.04.2024 and further that the NCTE has already framed a course, which is now pending approval by the Ministry of Human Resource Development. Further learned counsel also fairly admits that as per the Supreme Court order, the onus would be on the petitioners to complete the course within the stipulated time-frame to be fixed by the NCTE only after the scheme is framed, notified and implemented.

4. Having regard to the aforesaid, by way of a clarification, we direct that till the NCTE bridge course is notified and implemented and the course is offered to the petitioners, and they do not complete the said course within the stipulated time, no coercive action shall be taken against them.

5. Though, the remaining respondents have been served, but as nobody has entered appearance, learned counsel for the petitioners

may take fresh steps for service including *dasti* as well as on the standing counsel.

6. The matters be listed on 05.08.2025.

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7. List on 05.08.2025.

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ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

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