

ITEM NO.47

COURT NO.2

SECTION X

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Writ Petition(s) (Civil) No(s).122/2017

STUDENTS ISLAMIC ORGANIZATION
OF INDIA (S.I.O.) & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

Date : 08-08-2017 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPAK MISRA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.M. KHANWILKAR

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

On 13th April, 2017, this Court in Writ Petition (C)

Nos.127 and 135 of 2017 had passed the following order:

"Heard Anoop George Chaudhari, learned senior counsel along with Mr. Shakil Ahmed Syed, learned counsel and Mr. Amol Chitale, learned counsel for the petitioners, Mr. Ranjit Kumar, learned Solicitor General along with Mr. Ajit Kumar Sinha, learned senior counsel appearing for the Union of India, Mr. Gaurav Sharma, learned counsel for the Medical Council of India and Mr. Tara Chandra Sharma, learned counsel for the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).

In the course of hearing, Mr. Chaudhari impressed upon this Court to issue a direction for holding the examination which is going to be held on 07.05.2017 in Urdu language or direct the CBSE to hold a supplementary examination.

Mr. Tara Chandra Sharma, learned counsel appearing for the CBSE has, upon instructions, expressed that it will be extremely difficult to hold an examination on 7.5.2017 and if the examination is held by way of a supplementary examination, it has the potentiality to dilute the NEET examination. The said submission is echoed by Mr. Gaurav Sharma, learned counsel appearing for the Medical Council of India.

On being asked, Mr. Ranjit Kumar, learned Solicitor General submitted that Urdu language can be introduced as a medium for appearing in the NEET examination for the next academic year 2018-2019 onwards. The statement made by Mr. Ranjit Kumar, learned Solicitor General is supported by an affidavit filed by the competent authority of the Union of India.

In view of the aforesaid, we direct the respondent-Union of India to include Urdu language as a language in NEET examination for the next academic session 2018-2019 onwards.

The writ petitions are disposed of accordingly. There shall be no order as to costs."

Mr.Ranjit Kumar, learned Solicitor General submits that the said order should be applicable to the present case.

In view of the aforesaid, the present writ petition stand disposed of in terms of the order dated 13th April 2017 passed in Writ Petition (C) No.127 and 135 of 2017. There shall be no order as to costs.

(Ashok Raj Singh)
Court Master

(H.S.Parasher)
Assistant Registrar