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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 17685/2025**

ISHA TANWAR (MINOR) & ANR.Petitioners

Through: Mr. Gautam Singh, Advocate.

versus

DELHI UNIVERSITY & ORS.Respondents

Through: Mr. Mohinder J.S. Rupal, Mr. Hardik Rupal, Ms. Aishwarya Malhotra and Ms. Tripta Sharma, Advocates for R1.

Mr. Manoj Ranjan Sinha and Mr. Vishal Agrawal, Advocates for UGC.

Mr. Sandeep Chaudhary, Advocate for R3.

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JYOTI SINGH

ORDER

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24.11.2025

1. This writ petition is filed on behalf of the Petitioners under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following reliefs:-

“a. Issue the writ of mandamus directing Respondent No.1 and Respondent No.2 to consider the admission of the Petitioners after paying the requisite fees, for BA(HONS) ENGLISH with HISTORY(Minor) Courses, Academic Session, 2025-26.

b. Pass any order/direction deemed to be fit in the interest of justice.”

2. Petitioners are stated to be candidates belonging to the Below Poverty Line ('BPL'), aspiring to pursue higher education from Department of Distance and Continuing Education, School of Open Learning, University of Delhi. Petitioners passed the senior secondary school examination conducted by CBSE on 30.05.2025. On 11.06.2025, Delhi University notified admissions for B.A.(P.) and on 14.09.2025, Petitioners applied. Petitioners fulfilled the eligibility criteria and were offered admission. Last date for



submission of admission fees was 15.10.2025, however, due to lack of funds, Petitioners were unable to pay the fees by the cut-off date and have approached this Court with a limited prayer of extending the time to pay the fee, considering that they belong to BPL category.

3. Issue notice.

4. Counsels, as above, accept notice on behalf of the respective Respondents.

5. Considering the special facts and circumstances that Petitioners have qualified for admission to B.A.(H.) English with History (Minor) Course for academic session 2025-2026 and have been offered admission as also considering that they belong to BPL category and the B.A. Course is through Open Learning, this writ petition is allowed permitting the Petitioners to deposit the fees within 10 days from today. In case the fee is deposited within 10 days, Respondent No. 1 shall carry out the necessary formalities for admission.

6. It is made clear that this order is passed in the special facts of this case and will not be treated as a precedent in any other case.

JYOTI SINGH, J

NOVEMBER 24, 2025/YA