

**BEFORE SHRI SUNIL DUTT SHARMA, HON'BLE MEMBER H.P. PRIVATE
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS REGULATORY COMMISSION SHIMLA-171002.**

Suo Moto Case No. 14 of 2016
Date of Institution: 21.07.2016.
Date of Decision: 19.05.2017.

In the matter of:

Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion and Technology, Near LIC Building Palampur and New Bus Stand Kangra District Kangra (HP) through Smt. Neeru Mittal President of Rudra Education Society and Director of Kangra Heights Education Private Limited.

ORDERS

Initial H.P. Private Educational Institutions Regulatory Commission (HP PERC) Shimla issued letter No. HP PERC/55/Gen. Complaints/2012-985-996 dated 19.05.2016 to Superintendent of Police Kangra at Dharamshala with an intention to know as to how many Fashion Designing Institutes are operating in Kangra District. In response to such letter the Superintendent of Police Kangra at Dharamshala vide his letter No. Sec./FD/kan/16-17037 dated 21.7.2016 stated that inter alia Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion & Technology is operating near LIC Building Palampur. Pursuant to the information received, HP PERC issued a letter dated 22.07.2016 to Managing Director Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion & Technology, Near LIC Building Palampur, District Kangra (HP) thereby seeking basic information. Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion and Technology submitted reply to letter dated 22.07.2016 and alongwith the reply sent Copy of Society Registration Certificate and memorandum of Association partly. It also enclosed copy of Company Incorporation certificate and stated that the Institute can provide various types of skill development programme in the field of IT, Fashion, Beautician, Regular & Competitive Examination coaching and there are two institutes running under this company/Society. In order to afford opportunity of personal hearing HP PERC issued notice dated 24.9.2016 for personal appearance of Managing Director Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion & Technology and fixed date of hearing for 30.09.2016.

On 30.09.2016 Smt. Neeru Mittal President of Rudra Education Society running Kangra Heights, Institute of Fashion & Technology appeared in person. Smt. Mittal stated that Rudra Education Society is duly registered under Registration of Societies Act, 1860 vide Registration No. 4419 on 15.10.2014. This Society is running Kangra Heights Institute

of Fashion and Technology near LIC Building Palampur. This institute is running following programmes:

- (a) Advanced Diploma in Fashion Designing (1 year course) and fee is being charged @ Rs. 30,000/- per annum: Present 4 students are in the Kangra Institute and total fee collected is Rs. 39,000/-
- (b) Certificate course in Information Technology (1 year) with a fee of Rs. 10,000/- per annum. Total admission in the year 2016 is 2 students. Total fee collected is Rs. 2500/- only.
- (c) Advanced Diploma in Computer technology (1 years) and fee is being charged @ Rs. 18,500/- per annum. One student is admitted in the year 2016 in Kangra Institute and total fee collected is Rs. 3500/-.
- (d) DIT Certificate course (6 months) with a total fee of Rs. 7,000/-): Presently no admission in the year 2016.
- (e) Certificate in embroidery and Indian Traditional Embroidery (2 months): Presently no admission in the year 2016.
- (f) Certificate course in Garment construction (3 months to one year) with a fee of Rs. 3500/- for three months course and Rs. 12,000/- for one year course; presently no admission.

She further stated that for running these courses no approval has been obtained from any authority and fee is being charged as per her own design. Certificates are also designed and issued by the institute. She also stated that she has formed a Company viz. "Kangra Heights Education Private Limited" under Companies Act vide Incorporation No.U80220HP2015 PTC000951 on 18.05.2015 with the objective of running Kangra Heights Institute.

Heard at length. I have gone through the entire case file. Smt. Mittal has failed to submit any document which could substantiate that the courses being run in Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion & Technology at Palampur and Kangra are illegal. Moreover she has admitted that the courses are being run by her of her own will without any approval from the competent authorities and that fee was being charged from the students as per her own will and that certificates were also

designed by the Society/ Company and issued to the students. As per her own statement as on dated there were 7 students in the Institute.

All the courses being run by the Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion and Technology at both places i.e. near LIC Building Palampur (HP) and near New Bus Stand Kangra District Kangra (HP) has ordered to be close down. Smt. Neeru Mittal was further directed to submit affidavit with regard to statement made before me as well as in compliance of the orders for closure announced in her presence and to the effect that neither Rudra Education Society nor Kangra Heights Education Private Limited shall run any educational programmes without approval from competent authorities and that no courses under any Distance Education Programme of any University (within or outside the jurisdiction of Himachal Pradesh) shall be run unless specifically approved by competent authorities.

Smt. Mittal has submitted affidavit in compliance of the orders passed by HP PERC which is taken on record. I am satisfied that the orders have been complied with, hence no further action is required in the matter. The file is closed.

Copy of the order is supplied to Kangra Heights Institute of Fashion and Technology, if specifically requested.

Superintendent of Police Kangra at Dharamshala, District Kangra (HP) be apprised of the decision taken in the matter.

Orders be hosted on the website of the HP PERC.

Case file be consigned to record room. In default of submission of affidavit the case file be submitted for further orders.

Announced.

Sd/-
(Sunil Dutt Sharma)
Member