

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Compliance with Interim Judgment dated 26.11.2025 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru Bench in IA 01/2025 in W.P. No. 22527/2025 titled Hi-Tech Pvt. ITI vs. DGT & Others – reg

Whereas the above subject writ petition has been filed by the petitioner institute Hi Tech ITC (PR29000513) seeking following relief-

"Issue an order or direction or writ in the nature of writ of certiorari quashing the impugned endorsement dated 03.03.2025 (Annexure-E of writ petition) issued by the Respondent No. 3. as it is arbitrary, illegal and contrary to the DGT affiliation norms.

Issue an order or direction or writ in the nature of writ of mandamus directing the respondent no 1. To recognize the petitioner's original premises as compliance with DGT standards and permit the continuation of admission for the 2025-2027 academic sessions by the 3rd respondent.

Issue an order or direction or writ in the nature of writ of mandamus directing the respondent to update the petitioner's status in the NCVT-MIS portal and allow students to sit for the upcoming NCVT examination scheduled to be held in the month of august and November 2025."

2. Whereas the petitioner institute has shifted its institute to another location without a formal affiliation from DGT. Consequently, the State Directorate did not permit the petitioner to admit trainees. The petitioner had earlier filed W.P. No. 11652/2023, wherein the Hon'ble Court permitted the trainees of the academic session 2022–23 to be admitted on the portal and to appear in the ensuing examinations. In compliance with the said directions, the petitioner ITI was allowed to admit students on the portal for the 2022–23 session and to participate in examinations vide DGT OM dated 12.09.2023. The said petition was then withdrawn by the petitioner on 12.12.2023.

3. Whereas the petitioner again filed W.P. (C) No. 32138/2024, seeking similar relief for permitting admissions for the academic sessions 2023–24 and 2024–25, and to allow the trainees to appear in the ensuing examinations. The Hon'ble Court disposed of the matter on 22.01.2025, directing the State Directorate to pass an appropriate order since the petitioner claimed to be operating from its original affiliated location.

4. Whereas, in compliance with the judgment dated 22.01.2025 passed by the Hon'ble Court in W.P. No. 32138/2024, the State Directorate issued the order dated 03.03.2025, whereby the petitioner's representation seeking permission to operate the institute at its old affiliated location was rejected. This order dated 03.03.2025 is now under challenge in the present writ petition, W.P. No. 22527/2025.

5. Whereas the petitioner has filed Interlocutory Application (IA) No. 01/2025 in the present writ petition 22527/2025 seeking a direction to allow the trainees claimed to be admitted for sessions 2023–25 and 2024–26 to appear in the supplementary examinations scheduled from 24.11.2025 to 26.01.2026. The Hon'ble Court, vide interim order dated 26.11.2025, granted the following relief:-

"ORAL ORDER ON IA No. 2/2025

Accepting the reasons stated in the application, IA No. 2/2025 is allowed.

The students of the petitioner Institution are permitted to appear in the ensuing Examination scheduled from 24.11.2025 to 26.01.2026 as per the Calendar at Annexure N."

6. Whereas, in compliance with the interim directions dated 26.11.2025, the State Directorate, vide letter dated 12.12.2025, furnished the data of **28 trainees for the 2023–25 session and 30 trainees for the 2024–26 session** for the purpose of enabling their admission on the SIDH portal and facilitating their participation in the examination. The State Directorate has further submitted that the petitioner did not obtain re-affiliation at its original location despite having the opportunity to apply on the NIMI Affiliation Portal, and therefore these admissions were not allowed on the State Admission Portal.

The following points are submitted in the petitioner's case from DGT:

7. That the petitioner has not apprised the Hon'ble Court of the correct factual position regarding the admissions claimed for sessions 2023–25 and 2024–26, nor of the circumstances relating to allotment of examination codes. As per the prescribed examination procedure, trainees become eligible to appear in examinations only after their Permanent Registration Number (PRN) is generated on the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) portal, subject to fulfilment of attendance, sessional marks, and examination-related guidelines. The petitioner is seeking allotment of examination centre codes for trainees of these sessions without following the mandatory admission process and without PRN generation on SIDH.

8. That the petitioner was not permitted to admit trainees during the shifting process by the state directorate. Despite this, the petitioner has claimed admissions for the 2023–25 and 2024–26 sessions, in clear violation of the Shifting Norms, 2018 [Page 38, Para 3.5(i)], which inter alia stipulate that while relocating an institute, all enrolled trainees must be allowed to complete their training and no fresh admissions shall be made during such relocation.

9. It is submitted that the petitioner does not possess any State Registration Number and is seeking allotment of an examination code without adhering to the prescribed admission procedure on the SIDH portal. Further, the State Directorate did not upload the admission data from the State Admission Portal to the SIDH portal within the stipulated timelines. The entire admission workflow—beginning with admission on the State Admission Portal, followed by data transfer to the SIDH portal, and thereafter trainee verification—is required to be completed by the concerned institute, the State Directorate, and the admitted trainees within the defined timelines. The role of DGT is limited to issuing the academic calendar, defining the admission cut-off dates, and facilitating the opening of the API data migration link and the trainee verification link.

10. That with regard to the 28 trainees claimed to have been admitted for the 2023–25 session, it is submitted that their training has already concluded as per academic calendar, and the petitioner has clearly misled the Hon'ble Court by suppressing the material facts that their data is not available on the SIDH portal. Similarly, the data of 30 trainees claimed for the 2024–26 session is also not available on the portal, and moreover, the petitioner made no effort to resolve the issue during the 1st Year Main/Regular Examination scheduled in August 2025.

11. **Therefore**, in view of the above submissions, it is reiterated that the examination process on the SIDH portal is sequential in nature, and in the absence of PRN generation on the portal, the examination cycle does not arise. Consequently, the ongoing examination cycle cannot be altered mid-process due to technical constraints. However, as requested by the State Directorate in its letter dated 12.12.2025 in order to comply with the interim directions of the Hon'ble Court, a special provision will be required to be made in order to accommodate these trainees on the SIDH portal. **The following steps needs to be followed in the petitioner case to comply the directions of the Hon'ble Court-**

12. The trainees whose PRN has been generated on the SIDH portal for admissions up to the 2022–24 session is eligible to participate in the ongoing supplementary examination, subject to compliance with the prescribed exam guidelines.

13. The petitioner is provisionally allowed to upload the data of 28 trainees for the 2023–25 session and 30 trainees for the 2024–26 session, as furnished by the State Directorate. It shall be the responsibility of the petitioner to rectify any errors that may arise during the data upload process and to verify the data with the concerned trainees on the SIDH portal to enable generation of the Permanent Registration Number (PRN).

14. It is pertinent to mention that all the above admissions for session 2023-25 and session 2024-26 shall remain provisional and subject to the final outcome of the writ petition. Accordingly, the petitioner-institution shall obtain an undertaking from the admitted trainees stating that they shall not claim any equity, and that their admission is strictly subject to the result of the writ petition. The petitioner shall submit this undertaking to the State Directorate.

15. There is a technical constraint to alter the ongoing examination cycle of the supplementary/leftover examination, therefore, once the PRN is generated on the SIDH portal, the eligible trainees may appear in next subsequent examination cycle of regular or supplementary cycle subject to fulfilling the examination guidelines.

16. **A joint inspection shall be conducted at the petitioner ITI within 30 days from issue of this OM in order to examine the petitioner's claim regarding the adequacy of infrastructure and availability of machinery at its original affiliated location.** The inspection team shall also verify the training being imparted to the trainees claimed for the 2023–25, 2024–26 and 2025-26 academic sessions. The inspection report shall thereafter be placed before the Standing Committee on Accreditation and Affiliation (SCAA)/DGT for final decision on the petitioner's affiliation status at the affiliated location.

This Office Memorandum shall not be treated as a precedent in any other matter, as it is being issued solely to comply with the directions of the Hon'ble Court order dated 26.11.2025 passed in IA 01/2025 in W.P. No. 22527/2025.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Ujjwal Biswas)
Director, TC Section

To,

1. The Director of State Directorate of Karnataka dealing with Craftsmen Training Scheme.
2. The office in charge/Principal of the petitioner institution thorough registered email.

Copy to:

1. PSO to DG(T), DGT, New Delhi for information
2. Sr. PPS to DDG, DGT, New Delhi for information.
3. The Reginal Director of RDSDE Karnataka for information and necessary compliance.
4. Deputy Director (TC)- with a request to upload on the SIDH Portal and to facilitate the necessary activity of data upload.

(Rajesh Kumar)
Deputy Director, TC Section