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Four NEET aspirants thrashed; institute director booked

STAFF REPORTER

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Four students of a private coaching centre suffered injuries when the director of the institute reportedly hit

them with a metal pipe at Kanuru.

The Vishwa Academy is giving long-term training to the students for NEET. The examination is scheduled to

be held on Sunday.

Institute director K. Phani Kumar allegedly thrashed them on the night of May 3 on the campus, when the latter questioned the poor

quality of food being served to them in the management-run mess.

The students are undergoing treatment. Mr. Phani Kumar has been arrested.

NEET will be held today

BENGALURU, DHNS: The National Eligibility and Entrance Test (UG), 2018, will be held on Sunday at 10 am in centres across the country.

The exam conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Examinations will see thousands of students take the entrance tests for undergraduate medical and dental seats.

As many as 13,26,725 students from across the country have registered for the exam which would be held in various centres across 136 cities.

In all, 13,23,672 Indian, 530 OCI, 1,842 NRI, 621 foreigner and 60 PIO will write the exam. Candidates are required download the admit cards from the CBSE website and follow instructions given there while appearing for exams.

Candidates must reach exam centres before 9.30 am failing which they will not be let in. Centres will be opened two-and-a-half hour prior to the commencement of the test.

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With strict frisking of students being conducted every year before the exams, water bottles, tea, coffee, cold drinks or snacks will not allowed.

Candidates are expected to sign twice on the attendance sheet at the specified place, first time immediately after

the commencement of examination and second time while handing over the answer sheet to the invigilator.

Students have been instructed to shade the OMR sheets only with black or blue ball point pen and those sheets with OMRs marked with pencil would be rejected, according to the board.

Scoring

Each item in the test carries four marks. For each correct response, the candidate will get four marks while for each incorrect response, one mark will be deducted.

For students shading more than one option on the sheet, the answer would be considered invalid.

DRESS CODE

- Light clothes with half sleeves not having big buttons, brooch or badge, flower etc.
- Slippers, sandals with low heels and not shoes (In case, candidates are coming in customary dress for appearing in the examination, they should report at least an hour before the last reporting time 9.30 am)

BARRED ITEMS

Candidates are not allowed to carry the following items:

- Any stationery item like textual material (printed or written), bits of papers, geometry/pencil box, plastic pouch, calculator, pen, scale, writing pad, pen drives, eraser, calculator, log table, electronic pen/scanner etc
- No mobile phone, blue-tooth, earphones, microphone, pager, health band
- No wallet, goggles, hand-bags, belt, cap
- No accessories ring, earrings, nose-pin, chain/necklace, pendants, badge and brooch etc.
- No watch/wrist watch, bracelet, camera or metallic item
- No edibles, opened or packed, water bottle

Help pours in from netizens for outstation NEET candidates

Reshma Ravishanker

BENGALURU: A day after hundreds of students were left anxious following the announcement that they may have to write National Eligibility and Entrance Examination Test (NEET) in other states, the online platform has given many aspirants a ray of hope.

A good number of students from Tamil Nadu who aspire to write NEET for securing seats in medical and dental colleges were in for a shock when the Central Board for Secondary Education declared that they ought to write the exams in other states as there were not enough centres in Tamil Nadu. Several students are expected to write the exam at centres in Rajasthan, Kerala and Karnataka.

The social media saw an outburst of reactions, mostly of anger against the Board for not making sufficient preparations and questions were raised on whether all students

could afford to travel and reach their exam centres on time. From financial help to offering places to stay, several volunteers took to social media to extend support to candidates.

NEET is scheduled to be held on Sunday. Actor Gayathri Raghuraman took to twitter and volunteered to offer help.

"I can sponsor one NEET exam student to travel and stay and food. That's how much I can afford. I'm not rich but can help one student. #NEET exam," read her post.

Many others from the film fraternity as well offered financial support to candidates. Fashion stylist Vasuki Bhaskar was among them. Arulnithi Tamilarasu, another member on Twitter, said that he, along with aXess films would be willing to sponsor 20 government school students whose centres have been allotted in other states.

Rajasthan Tamil Sangam is also doing its bit to support

students. Bharathi, a member, said that since the decision was taken a few hours ago, arrangements could not be made for tickets. However, the association is providing students help at a local level.

"We understand that students who travel from south might not be familiar with the language here. We are standing with placards at stations so that we can meet them and help provide food and transport to nearby places" he added.

A good number of non-resident Indians have joined hands as well. Dinesh Kumar, a mechanical engineer based in Dubai said that he would be willing to sponsor two students. He said that he was doing it in memory of Anitha, a NEET aspirant who committed suicide last year over less marks. "Her death had disturbed me a lot. I wish to offer support to some candidates who cannot afford travel," he added.

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Cong slams CBSE over insufficient NEET centres

Over 6k TN students allotted exam centres outside state

Shemin Joy

NEW DELHI, DHNS: Disappointed at the "last-minute" Supreme Court stay on arranging more NEET exam centres in Tamil Nadu, the Congress on Saturday demanded that the Centre should direct the CBSE to immediately set up additional centres for the entrance test to avoid inconvenience to candidates.

AICC joint secretary Ruchi Gupta told reporters that the CBSE's appeal in the Supreme Court has put students and their families to "tremendous inconvenience and expense" at a time when all their energies should be focused on an important and highly competitive exam.

"This also imperils the future of students and makes us question the grounds on which the CBSE decided to appeal

against a pro-student order by the Madras High Court. CBSE is an institution that is responsible for the future of millions of young students in the country.

"It is highly condemnable that CBSE lost sight of this fact," Gupta, who is also in charge of Congress' student wing NSU(I), said.

Travelling allowance

"Failing this (setting up centres), the Centre should bear the travel and lodging expenses of the Tamil Nadu students and their guardians travelling to their assigned NEET centres

that are outside of their state," she said.

Accusing the CBSE of not preparing properly, she said there was no excuse for the CBSE to not have allocated sufficient centres within Tamil Nadu when it had knowledge in advance of the huge number of applications from the state.

"It is dismaying that the CBSE was unable to find suitable centres within Tamil Nadu, which is one of the most developed states in the country and is home to several well-equipped institutions of higher learning," Ruchi said.

According to her, the CBSE office in Chennai has asked 5,371 students from the state to write exams outside Tamil Nadu, while NEET Director Sanyam Bharadwaj said 1,000 to 1,500 students were allotted centres outside the state.

Sorry state of affairs

"Why is the CBSE unable to clearly state the number of students from Tamil Nadu allotted centres outside the state? This confusion clearly points to the sorry state of affairs within the CBSE," she said.

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