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NOTICE

Kind Attention: Candidates who claim to be NRI/ OCI or want to get their nationality converted from Indian to NRI.

It is for the information to candidates who want to apply for NRI quota in upcoming UG/PG counselling for the academic year 2026-2027, that the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in **W.P No. 13393 of 2007 and others (2008) (Anshul Tomar vs. State of M.P)** has set forth eligibility criteria for seats reserved under NRI quota.

The relevant excerpt from the order passed by the Hon'ble Court in W.P No. 13393 of 2007 is as under:

"1) If the mother or father of student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then, either of the situations so held will be considered to be proper.

2) If the first-degree relation of the student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then in such circumstances also, qua this year, should be considered eligible. It is natural that such definition would include the real brother and sister over and above the mother-father of the first-degree relation.

3) As per the definition revised by the Hon'ble Apex Court, interpretation of clause 3 thereof as not made limited but if made in a broad perspective, then, it is clear that the person who wanted to consider such student as ward (Palya), then, he be considered to be proper subject to compliance of the following conditions:

- a) He should be the nearest relation.*
- b) In the definition of the nearest relation, committee has considered following relative having blood relations.*
 - i) Real brother and sister of father i.e. real uncle and real aunt.*
 - ii) Real brother and sister of mother i.e. real maternal uncle and maternal aunt.*
 - iii) Father and mother of father i.e. grandfather and grandmother.*
 - iv) Father and mother of mother i.e. maternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.*
 - v) First degree-paternal and maternal cousins.*

vi) *Such person should be NRI.*

c) *Such persons should ordinarily be residing abroad.*

d) **Such person should have looked after such student as the guardian of the student and evidence to that effect must have been produced before the committee by such person.**

e) **There should be affidavit with aforesaid fact.”**

Hence, the candidates applying for NRI Quota seats will have to abide/adhere with the above-mentioned eligibility criteria for participation in counselling as NRI candidate/candidature.

It is further informed to NEET aspirants for the academic year 2026 that MCC/competent authority will seek evidential proof/ legal document from the candidates as in point 3 (d) & (e) of the order, during counselling, demonstrating that the sponsor is actually Bonafide legal guardian of the candidate as per Guardians and Wards Act, 1890.

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