

Right to Equality

While laying down the principles to be followed by educational institutions during admissions, the Supreme Court laid down that if there is a violation of the right to equality and equal treatment to the competing candidates, it would be completely just and fair to provide exceptional reliefs to the candidate under such circumstances alone.

Why is it Important for students in India?

The right to equality was highlighted with *Chandigarh Administration & Anr. Vs Jasmine Kaur & Ors 2014 (10) SCC 521*, where Jasmine Kaur, holding a Canadian Citizenship challenged the validity of the definition of 'Non-Resident Indian' as she faced trouble securing admission pertaining to some eligibility criteria of a BDS Course in Dr. Harvansh Singh Judge Institute of Dental Science, Chandigarh. The single judge panel passed an order stating Jasleen is already qualified for admission, and hence, without wasting a year, she should be given a seat in the course.