

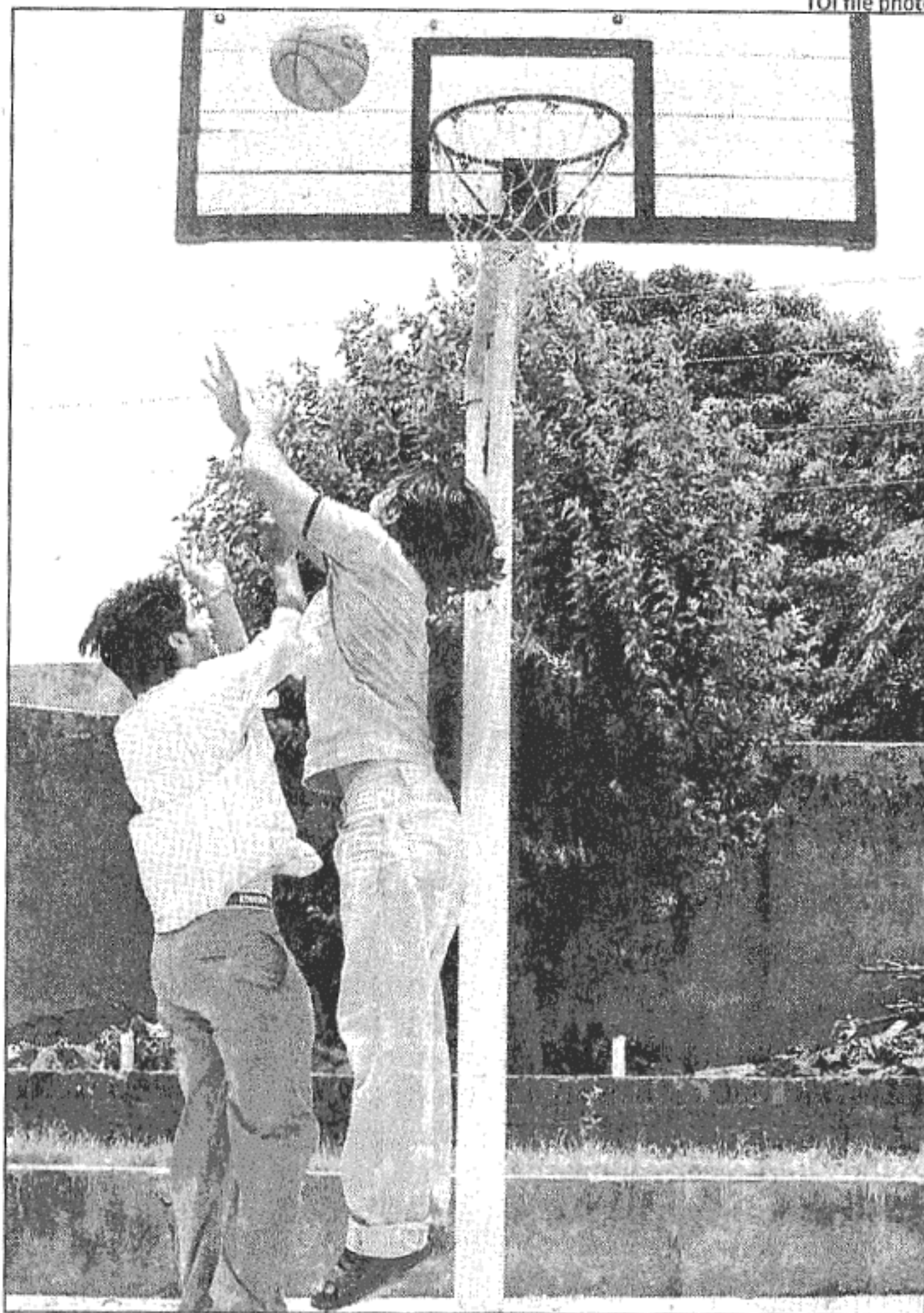
No clarity on DU sports admission

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New Delhi: While the undergraduate admission process in Delhi University is set to begin from June 15, colleges are still waiting to hear from the university about the admissions under sports quota.

Last year, DU had introduced centralized sports trials, but the university is still debating whether the same system should continue or if they should revert to trials by individual colleges. Meanwhile, Hindu College governing body has decided to do away with admissions under the quota for sports and extra-curricular activities (ECA). The college is now waiting for permission from the university.

"The governing body has decided to suspend the sports and ECA admissions for two years. We have now written to the university seeking clarification on whether admissions in this category can be abolished without an approval from the executive council. We are waiting for a reply," said Vinay Kumar Srivastava, principal, Hindu College. Every college reserves 5% of the seats for candidates who have won



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laurels in sports or extra-curricular activities. Colleges conduct trials for both the categories and selected students are not required to meet the cutoff for admission.

However, the decision to do away with sports and ECA admissions at Hindu College was taken amid talks of irregularities in admissions conducted last year. The principal added, "I really want the admissions under this category to happen as this is the best way for a college to attract talent. If there is a problem, we can address it. I will write to the governing body chairperson this week," Srivastava said.

The university is undecided on the trial as physical education teachers have been opposing it. "We have been asked to give out the forms for sports trials but there is no decision on the method of admission. These admissions will be held after the second cutoff list is out," said V K Kwatra, principal, Hans Raj College.

He added that sports grounds of many colleges were not available for trials because of Commonwealth Games due to which centralized trials by the university made sense.