



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 13TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAYANT BANERJI

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE T.M.NADAF

WRIT PETITION NO. 36513 OF 2025 (EDN-RES)

BETWEEN:

KUM PALLAVI K M
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
S/O SRI MUNIYYAPA
STUDENT OF 4TH YEAR
MBBS COURSE
DR.B.R.AMBEDKAR MEDICAL COLLEGE
K.G.HALLI, BENGALURU-560 045
R/AT 12TH CROSS ROAD
RAMAIAHA LAYOUT, KELLIKOTE
KOLAR TALUK & DISTRICT

...PETITIONER

(BY SMT.JAHNAVI MANJUNATH, ADVOCATE FOR
SRI CHANDRAKANTH R GOULAY, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL EDUCATION
M.S.BUILDINGS, BENGALURU-560 001
2. NATIONAL MEDICAL COMMISSION
(ERSTWHILE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF INDIA)
POCKET 14, SECTOR 8
DWARKA, NEW DELHI-110 007
REP. BY ITS SECRETARY
3. THE DIRECTORATE OF MEDICAL EDUCATION
REPRESENTED BY ITS DIRECTOR
I FLOOR, FORT, K R ROAD
BENGALURU-560 002

Digitally
signed by K G
RENUKAMBA

Location:
HIGH COURT
OF
KARNATAKA



4. THE KARNATAKA EXAMINATIONS AUTHORITY
SAMPIGE ROAD, 18TH CROSS, MALLESHWARAM
BANGALORE-560 012
REP. BY ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
5. G.R.MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL
AND RESEARCH CENTRE
PADU, VIA PADUMALE, NEERUMARGA
MANGALORE-575 029
REP.BY DEAN & DIRECTOR SRI GANESH RAO
6. G R EDUCATION TRUST
NEERMARGA, NEER MARGA
MANGALORE -575 029
REP. ITS AUTHORISED OFFICER
7. THE CHAIRMAN
FEE REGULATORY COMMITTEE
KARNATAKA EXAMINATIONS AUTHORITY
SAMPIGE ROAD, 18TH CROSS
MALLESHWARAM, BANGALORE – 560 012

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT.MAMATHA SHETTY, AGA FOR R1;
SRI N.K.RAMESH, ADVOCATE FOR R4 & R7,
SRI VIKRAM UNNI RAJGOPAL, ADVOCATE FOR R5 & R6;
R2 & R3 SERVED & UNREPRESENTED)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO (A) ISSUE A WRIT OF MANDAMUS DIRECTING THE 5TH RESPONDENT TO REFUND THE UNLAWFUL AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM THE PETITIONER TOTALLING RS.66,23,906/- (ANNEXURES-B & C) WITH INTEREST AT 12% P.A. ETC.

THIS WRIT PETITION COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAYANT BANERJI
and
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE T.M.NADAF



ORAL ORDER

(PER: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAYANT BANERJI)

This petition has been filed seeking the following reliefs:

- (a) Issue a writ of mandamus directing the 5th Respondent to refund the unlawful amount collected from the petitioner totalling Rs.66,23,906/- (Annexures-B & C) with interest at 12% per annum;
- (b) Issue a direction to the Respondents-1 to 4 to ensure, facilitate for refund of fees from the 5th Respondent, in light of similar common judgment dated 11/08/2025 passed by this Hon'ble Court in W.P.No.10871/2024 and other connected cases;
- (c) Issue a writ of mandamus in the nature of directing the Fee Regulation Committee to decide FRC No.42/2025 as early as possible and within a stipulated time period;
- (d) Pass such other order or reliefs as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit, including costs of the petition.

2. It is submitted by learned Counsel for the petitioner that for the very same relief sought in prayer No.(a) an application has been made to the Fee Regulatory Committee



constituted under Section 6 of the Karnataka Professional Education Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Determination of Fee) Act, 2006.

3. Sri N.K.Ramesh, learned Counsel appearing for the Committee states that the matter is pending consideration before the Committee. Learned Counsel for respondent No.6/Trust, also states that the cross examination of the petitioner has taken place in part before the Fee Regulatory Committee.

4. In view of the aforesaid, we find no reason to interfere in this petition as the petitioner is already availing the statutory remedy provided under the aforesaid Act of 2006. For the reason aforesaid, this petition is dismissed.

5. Though the learned Counsel for the petitioner prays for direction for early disposal of the case, however, nothing has been demonstrated by the learned Counsel for the petitioner who appears online, that unnecessary delay is being caused by the Fee Regulatory Committee in deciding her case.



6. Be that as it may, the Committee may endeavour to decide the matter without granting any unnecessary adjournment to any of the parties.

Sd/-
(JAYANT BANERJI)
JUDGE

Sd/-
(T.M.NADAF)
JUDGE