

WPA 4071 of 2024

Lalita Barik Memorial Institute Pharmacy College

-vs-

The State of W.B. & ors.

Mr. Nilendu Bhattacharya

Ms. Sumita Shaw

Mr. Soumen Chatterjee

...for the petitioner

Mr. Gorav Das

Mr. Hemanta Kumar Das

...for the State

Mr. Tapan Kr. Mukherjee

Mr. Suman Dey

...for the Council

The petitioner is a college offering a Diploma in Pharmacy Course.

The petitioner contends that, despite applying for affiliation on August 20, 2023, the West Bengal Council of Technical and Vocational Education and Skill Development ("the Council") issued a conditional letter of affiliation on January 9, 2024. The petitioner was provided with a three-day window to complete all formalities for affiliation and subsequently applied for affiliation on January 12, 2024. Due to this delayed affiliation process, the petitioner was unable to admit any students until January 12, 2024. As per the Council's notification dated January 4, 2024, the petitioner missed the opportunity to admit students during the first counseling round scheduled for January 6, 2024,

which was later extended to January 10, 2024.

The petitioner seeks a one-day extension to admit students, having made a representation to the Council in a letter dated January 24, 2024.

I am of the view that the petitioner's grievance should be considered by the Chief Administrative Officer of the Council, who should issue an order taking into consideration the difficulties faced by the petitioner.

Therefore, **WPA 4071 of 2024** is disposed of with a directive to the Chief Administrative Officer of the Council to consider the representation dated January 24, 2024, within one week from the date of communication of this order.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order be supplied to the parties, if applied for, as early as possible.

(Kausik Chanda, J.)