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Court No.17
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IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION
WPA 26280 of 2025

Haldia Institute of Health Sciences & Anr.
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Uday Sankar Chattopadhyay
Ms. Trisha Rakshit
Ms. Aishwarya Datta
Ms. Bidisha Chakraborty
Ms. Sadia Parveen

... for the Petitioners.

Mr. Swapan Kumar Datta, Ld. GP
Mr. Dipankar Das Gupta

... for the State.

Mr. Amitava Chaudhuri
Mr. N. Roy

... for the WBJEEB.

Mr. D.N. Maiti

... for the Respondent Nos.2-3.

Haldia Institute of Health Sciences ('HIHC' in short)
is the petitioner no.1 of which the petitioner no.2 is the
Principal.

The HIHC is an Institute providing education in
allied medical courses, 14 of its courses are affiliated by the
West Bengal University to Health Sciences; Paramedical &
Allied-Bachelor in-Medical Laboratory Technology (BMLT)
is one of such affiliated courses. The HIHC has 60 seats for
the said course.

The West Bengal Joint Entrance Board ('the Board'
in short) on November 14, 2025 had published a notification
in its website for JENPAS (UG) 2025 Counselling. The
HIHC had noticed that the Board in the said notice had not
notified 60 seats of the said BMLT course and as such has
filed the instant writ petition praying inclusion of the said
BMLT course in the list of courses and related seat matrix in
the online portal of the ongoing e-counselling of the
JENPAS-UG-2025.

After much persuasion from the end of the Board,
the University ultimately has admitted its mistake in not
including the said 60 seats of the HIHC for the said BMLT
course in the seat matrix of the said counselling process and
accordingly has issued a revised seat matrix for the said

counselling wherein the said 60 seats for the said BMLT course has been included.

Mr. Amitava Chaudhuri, learned counsel for the Board files a copy of the said revised seat matrix and the email communications between the University and the Board; let the said documents be kept with the record.

This is not for the first time the University is making this kind of mistake, on earlier two years similar mistakes were committed by the University resulting serious inconvenience for the Institute and the aspiring students. The approach of the University appears to be too casual. This Court though proposes to impose heavy costs upon the University for its such lackadaisical attitude but considering the prayer of Mr. Maiti, learned advocate for the University, the fault is condoned as a last chance.

The Board has now received the revised seats matrix, as such is directed to reschedule the counselling in accordance with law so that the said 60 seats in the said course are not left blank.

WPA 26280 of 2025 is disposed of with the above terms without any order as to costs.

Parties to act on the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official *website* of this Court.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties, subject to compliance of all requisite formalities.

(Biswajit Basu, J.)