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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.11447 OF 2025

Bhushan Bhalchandra Apte	]	Petitioner
Versus		
The State of Maharashtra through Its	]	
Secretary, Medical Education & Research	]	
Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai and others	]	Respondents

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Mr. Chaitanya S. Kulkarni a/w Ms. Surekha H. Kamble, for Petitioner.

Mr. Siddheshwar B. Kalel, A.G.P, for Respondent – State.

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CORAM : M.S. KARNIK &
SHARMILA U. DESHMUKH, JJ

DATE : 7th OCTOBER, 2025.

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1. Heard Mr. Kulkarni, learned Counsel for the petitioner.
2. Issue notice to the respondents returnable on 13th October, 2025.
3. Learned A.G.P waives service of notice on behalf of respondents – State.
4. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submitted that the respondents have prescribed arbitrary eligibility conditions in the Advertisement issued by the Medical Education and Drugs Department, Government of Maharashtra. The

eligibility condition imposed is SSC pass requirement and MCQ based online examination. It is submitted that imposing such a condition also on a candidate like the petitioner is arbitrary as it virtually excludes all persons with intellectual disability from public employment.

5. List the petition on Monday, the **13th October, 2025**.

6. It is made clear that in the event, we find merit in this petition, rights of the petitioner will not be defeated only on account of a fact that last date for submission of the application under Advertisement is 7th October, 2025. In that case, we will be inclined to extend the date.

[SHARMILA U. DESHMUKH. J.]

[M.S. KARNIK, J.]