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W.P.No.27995 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 04.09.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

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Dr. Sai Shruthi

... Petitioner

Versus

1.State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep.by Secretary,
Health and Food Department,
Secretariat, Chennai -9.

2.Department of Medical Education,
Rep.by Deputy Director of Medical Education,
Kilpauk – 10.

3.The Dean,
Thirunelveli Medical College,
Thirunelveli.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to return the original certificate submitted by the petitioner at the time of joining the PG course namely MD (Micro biology) in the 3rd respondent college.

For Petitioner : Mr. R. Rajarajan

For Respondents : Mr. K. Tippu Sultan,
Government Advocate

ORDER



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This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents to return the original certificates submitted by the petitioner at the time of her admission to the Postgraduate course, namely M.D. (Microbiology), in the third respondent college.

2. The petitioner, after completing her undergraduate degree, was allotted a seat under the All India Quota for PG degree in Microbiology course in the third respondent college. The petitioner joined the course in the third respondent college and completed it on 06.05.2019. At the time of her joining, she executed a two year bond undertaking to serve in the Government Hospital/Institutions upon completion of the course.

3. Though the petitioner completed her postgraduate degree on 06.05.2019, she was not issued any posting order, and the respondents failed to provide employment in any Government Hospital. The petitioner waited for 18 months without joining any job. Subsequently, the petitioner offered a job in the 19th month, that too after completion of her course, as Covid duty. However, due to the family circumstances, the petitioner could not join the duty at that time. Consequently, the third



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respondent college refused to return the original educational certificates.

Therefore, the petitioner has filed the present writ petition before this Court.

4. By communication from the Principal's Office, Tirunelveli Medical College, Tirunelveli, by Na.Ka.No.13854/maka3/2024, dated Nil....05.2025 (signed on 19.05.2025), it was stated that the compulsory bond period would be treated as completed after working 1 year 17 days. However, the petitioner had served only 4 months 14 days duty. Therefore, she was required to pay the bond of Rs.7,41,992/- for release of the original certificates.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to deposit the said amount.

6. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned counsel appearing for the respondent and also perused the materials available on record.

7. In view of the above, the petitioner is directed to deposit the



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said sum of Rs.7,41,992/- to the following Head of Account:

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“Retention of Unclaimed/receipts from medical/Dental College Students towards Bond Amount Fees 235 Writes off and Gains – 05 – Unclaimed/Forfeited Bonds (IFHRMS DP Code 0210-03-800-AB-23505)”,

On production of the acknowledgment of such deposit before the third respondent college, the third respondent college is directed to forthwith return all the petitioner's original educational certificates.

8. With the above observations and directions, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Index : Yes/No
Speaking/Non-Speaking Order
Neutral Case Citation : Yes/No

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State of Tamil Nadu,
Health and Food Department,

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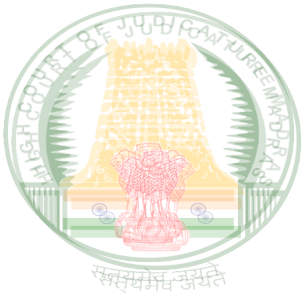
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