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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 15.09.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

W.P.No.35235 of 2025 and
WMP.No.39448 of 2025

Annai Veilankanni's Educational and Cultural Society
Educational Agency
Annai Veilankanni's Pharmacy College,
Represented by its Chairman
81/33, V.G.P. Salai,
Saidapet, Chennai 600 015

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Registrar,
Tamil Nadu Dr.MGR.Medical University,
69, Anna Salai, Guindy,
Chennai 600 032
2.The Pharmacy Council of India,
Represented by the Secretary cum Registrar,
NBCC Centre, 3rd Floor, Plot No.2,
Community Centre, Maa Anandamai Marg,
Okhla Phase I, New Delhi 110 020
3.The Director of Medical Education,
Directorate of Medical Education Campus,
Kilpauk, Chennai 600 010
4.The Secretary,
Selection Committee,
Directorate of Medical Education,
No.162, Periyar E.V.R.High Road,

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Kilpauk, Chennai 600 010

5. Tamil Nadu Private Professional Colleges

Association – Health Science (TNPPCA-HS)

A Society Registered under Society Registration Act

Rep. By its Secretary,

Prasanna Enclave 1st Floor, No.30, Bharathi Avenue,

Kotturpuram, Chennai 600 085

6. The Indian Nursing Council

Represented by its Secretary,

8th Floor, NBCC Centre,

Plot No.2, Community Centre,

Okhla Phase-I,

New Delhi 110 020

(6th respondent impleaded vide order dated

15.09.2025 passed in WMP.No.39716 of

2025 in WP.No.35235 of 2025)

... Respondents

PRAYER:

Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the fourth respondent to conduct the counselling for paramedical degree courses for government quota seats in self-financing colleges for 2025-26 academic session from 01.10.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.L.Rajah,
Senior Counsel
for M/s.V.Sudha

For Respondents



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- For R1 : Mr.G.Arumugam,
Standing Counsel
- For R5 : Mr.Hari Radhakrishnan
- For R3 : Mr.K.Tippu Sulthan,
Government Advocate
- For R4 : Mrs.M.Sneha,
Standing Counsel
- For R2 : Mr.M.T.Arunan,
Standing Counsel
- For R6 : Mr.B.Deepak Narayanan

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for direction to the fourth respondent to conduct the counselling for paramedical degree courses for government quota seats in self-financing colleges for the academic year 2025-26 from 01.10.2025.

2. The petitioner college is approved by the Government of Tamilnadu with appropriate approvals from the respective authorities. It is affiliated to the Tamilnadu Dr.MGR Medical University. The second respondent is the authority occupying the field of pharmacy under the



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Pharmacy Act. The petitioner is conducting B.Pharm. degree course with an intake of 60 students. Accordingly, the petitioner college is also registered in the counselling to be conducted by the fourth respondent. The case of the petitioner is that there are more than 90 colleges, including the petitioner college, that are facing problem. If the counselling for B.Pharm alone is conducted from 01.10.2025, there will be no chooser for B.Pharm course for the academic year 2025-26. Such counselling is for all the paramedical degree courses for government quota seats in self financing colleges for the year 2025-26 academic session. Since students will only opt other courses, they will not be waiting for the counselling for B.Pharm alone from 01.10.2025. Now the fourth respondent uploaded the tentative online counselling schedule for paramedical degree course for the government seats in government colleges and allotment for government quota seats in self financing colleges for the academic year 2025-26 to be held from 02.09.2025. However, it is contrary to the time extension order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

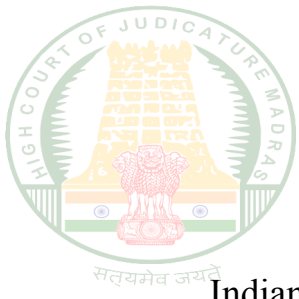
3. On perusal of the counter submitted by the fourth respondent



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and on the submissions of the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the fourth respondent, it is revealed that the prospectus for all paramedical courses was published on 17.06.2025 and the last date for uploading the application was 07.07.2025 as per the notification issued by the Indian Nursing Council dated 13.01.2025 to commence academic year from 01.08.2025 and the last date for admission would be 30.09.2025. Therefore, the Indian Nursing Council being the authority to decide as to the commencement of the academic session, the Selection Committee had decided to commence the online counselling for all paramedical courses for government seats in government colleges from 30.07.2025 to 08.08.2025. The second round of counselling for the left over seats of government colleges in government colleges and for government seats in private colleges was scheduled from 04.09.2025 to 17.09.2025. In respect of allied health sciences undergraduate courses including Bachelor of Physiotherapy and Bachelor of Occupational Therapy are concerned, the Dr.MGR Medical University, as per its regulations has notified cut off date as 30.09.2025 for admission. As rightly pointed out by the learned Senior Counsel, Indian Nursing Counsel has no authority to grant recognition to the Institutions imparting Nursing courses. When the



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Indian Nursing Counsel has no authority for affiliation and recognition, it cannot dictate terms for the counselling to be conducted on such date.

4. The learned Standing Counsel appearing for the fourth respondent submitted that the entire curriculum system is governed by Indian Nursing Council. As per its norms, the cut off date for admission of undergraduate nursing degree course is 30th September of every year. Therefore, it cannot go beyond 30.09.2025.

5. Now the fourth respondent already extended date of registration from 06.09.2025 to 09.09.2025 and for choice filling from 07.09.2025 to 10.09.2025 and results from 11.09.2025 to 13.09.2025. Once again it is extended.

6. Though the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India had extended time till 30.10.2025 to complete the approval process, without considering the same, now the fourth respondent issued notification for second round of counselling for government quota seats in self financing colleges for the year 2025-26 as follows:



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Round	Process	From Date & Time	To Dated & Time	Rank	Total Mark
2	Registration / Payment	04.09.2025 @ 10:00 a.m.	06.09.2025 @ 5.00 p.m.	From GR 001 To GR 53165	From 200.00 to 125.00
	Choice Filling & Locking	07.09.2025 @ 10.00 a.m.	09.09.2025 @ 5.00 p.m.		
	Results of Round-2	11.09.2025			
	Download of Provisional allotment order	11.09.2025			
	Reporting Date & Time	On or before 17.09.2025 upto 5.00 p.m.			

7. Accordingly, the fourth respondent has extended the date of registration from 06.09.2025 to 09.09.2025, for choice filling from 07.09.2025 to 10.09.2025 and results from 11.09.2025 to 13.09.2025.

8. In view of the above, the fourth respondent is hereby directed to conduct counselling for paramedical degree courses for government quota seats in self financing colleges for the academic year 2025-26 from 01.10.2025 as per the direction issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in MA.No.711 of 2025 in CA.No.9048 of 2012 dated 09.05.2025



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9. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of.

Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Note: Issue order copy on 16.09.2025

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