



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 15-04-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 13162 of 2026 and WMP.Nos.14418 & 14419 of 2026

P.Shalini

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Director of Medical Education
Directorate of Medical Education and
Research, 162, EVR Salai, Kilpauk,
Chennai-10

2.The Additional director of Medical
Education and Research / Secretary,
The Selection Committee, Directorate
of Medical Education and Research,
Kilpauk, Chennai-10

Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, calling for the entire records pertaining to the impugned order passed by the 2nd respondent in Ref. No.666/ SCS1(1) / 2025 dated 23.12.2025 and to quash the same as illegal, incompetent, arbitrary, and as against the nature of justice and consequently directing the respondent to revoke the debarment and permit the petitioner to participate in the future counselling process by considering the email representation dated 23.12.2025 made by the petitioner

For Petitioner(s): Ms.V.Muthamizh

For Respondent: Mr.K.Tippu Sulthan for R1
Government Advocate
Ms.M.Sneha, Special Counsel for R2

ORDER

By consent of both parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. This petition has been filed challenging the order of the second



respondent in Ref. No.666/ SCS1(1) / 2025 dated 23.12.2025, quash the same consequently direct the respondent to revoke the debarment and permit the petitioner to participate in the future counselling process by considering the email representation dated 23.12.2025 made by the petitioner.

3. It is the case of the petitioner the petitioner has completed her Senior School Examination in the year 2005 and applied for Government Quota for the MBBS & BDS course for the academic year 2025-2026. By the same, she secured 220 marks but the seat was wrongly allotted in the Management Quota with a different application number and the same was not properly communicated to the petitioner through any notice or any other mode of communication directly to the petitioner registered mobile or registered email ID. Hence, the petitioner is unable to participate in the Stray Vacancy Round in the right time and thus, she is not eligible to participate in subsequent rounds of UG Medical Counselling for this academic year 2025-2026 and also will be debarred for the next academic year. The petitioner made a representation to revoke the debarment and permit her to participate in the future counselling process but the same was mechanically rejected by the respondent. Challenging the same, the present writ petition.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that as per the prospectus, the allotted candidates during the stray vacancy round failed to join



the course, they will have to forfeit the security deposit and will also not be able to participate in Tamil Nadu Medical Counselling for subsequent one academic year, this was challenged by the petitioner by way of writ petition and the said writ petition was also dismissed, thereby, the petitioner has made a representation to join the course, however, the same was rejected vide impugned order, hence, it is the contention of the petitioner that Clause-16-V-(F) of the Prospectus issued in G.O.(D).No.601, Health and Family Welfare Department dated 05.06.2025 is not a Rule, this Court can very well interfere and seeks for directions.

5. Per contra, the learned Special Counsel for the second respondent submitted that pursuant to the G.O.(D).No.601, Health and Family Welfare Department dated 05.06.2025, the petitioner applied for both the Government and Management Quota for MBBS and BDS course for the academic year 2025-2026, the petitioner participated the counselling and based on the petitioner's choice, the seat under Management Quota was allotted to the petitioner, however, the petitioner did not join the course, hence, the petitioner was debarred for 2 years based on clause 16-V-F of the prospectus issued under the above referred Government Order.

6. Heard both sides and perused the materials placed on record.



7. Admittedly, there is no dispute with regard to the facts of the present case. The petitioner has completed her Senior School Examination in the year 2005 and applied for both Government Quota and management Quota for the MBBS & BDS course for the academic year 2025-2026. It is the contention of the petitioner that the petitioner was not properly communicated with regard to the allotment of Management Quota through any proper notice or other mode of communication to mobile or registered email ID. It is relevant to note that as per Clause 1 (n) of the Prospectus, no communication will be directly sent to the candidate and should be in touch with the website on regular basis. Clause 1(n) reads as follows:-

“No communication will be directly sent to the Candidate(s). They are advised to be in touch with the website on regular basis for any updates.”

8. In such view of the matter, this Court is of the view that the petitioner ought to have been vigilant and joined the course when she was allotted a seat under Management Quota and now, the petitioner cannot contend that the absence of communication cannot be attributed as fault on the part of the petitioner.

9. Similarly, with regard to the contention of revocation of the debarment of 2 years on the petitioner is concerned, clause 16(V)(f) of the Prospectus issued in G.O.(D).No.601, Health and Family Welfare Department dated



05.06.2025 stipulates as follows:-

“ f. Allotted candidates during Stray Vacancy Round, if they fail to join or discontinue the course, they will have to forfeit the Security Deposit and Tuition Fee in addition to payment of Discontinuation Fee. They also will not be able to participate in Tamil Nadu UG Medical Counselling for subsequent one academic year.”

10. The above makes it very clear that when the allotted candidate fails to join the course, such candidate will not be able participate in Tamil Nadu UG Medical Counselling for the subsequent one academic year; in other words, if at all an allotted candidate has failed to join the course, such candidate shall not be able to participate in the Tamil Nadu UG Medical Counselling for subsequent one academic year. This Court is of the view that when there is an express clause prohibiting the allotted candidates, who have failed to join the course from participating in the subsequent academic year, the petitioner who was allotted seat under Management Quota ought to have joined the course with due diligence, whereas, she has not joined the course as stipulated under the Government Order, therefore, the impugned order dated 23.12.2025 debarring the petitioner from participating for the next academic year in view of this Court does not require interference. In such view of the matter, I do not find any merits to interfere with the impugned order.

11. In view of the above, this writ petition fails and stands dismissed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition stands closed.



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