SL. No.	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGE'S ORDERS
			WPMS/3307/2026 M/s Raj Medical Store --Petitioner **Versus** State Of Uttarakhand --Respondent **Hon'ble Pankaj Purohit, J.** Mr. T.A. Khan, learned senior counsel assisted by Ms. Jasmeen Wahid, learned counsel holding brief of Mr. Vinay Bhatt, learned counsel for petitioner. **2.** Mr. Devendra Pant, learned Standing Counsel for the State of Uttarakhand. **3.** Petitioner has challenged the order dated 15.10.2026, by which the license granted to petitioner has been cancelled by respondent No.4. **4.** It is contended by learned senior counsel for petitioner that there was no such violation of terms and conditions of the license, which entail the punishment of cancellation of license and due to the closure of shop for a period of three months on account of petitioner being involved in POCSO matter and being in judicial custody, there may be some dust found in the shop, therefore, the license should not have been cancelled in such a cursory manner. **5.** Per contra, learned State Counsel submits that before passing the order of cancellation of the drug license, petitioner was given show-cause notice and he has also submitted the reply and after considering petitioner's reply, the impugned order has been passed. He further submits that against the impugned order dated 15.10.2026 whereby, petitioner's drug license was cancelled, a remedy is available to petitioner

to challenge it before State Government in appeal under Rule 66(2) of the Drug and Cosmetic Rules, 1945 (hereinafter referred as 'the Rules of 1945) and the argument which has been canvassed by petitioner can very well be raised before the Appellate Authority.

6. Having considered the rival submission of learned counsel for parties and having considered the Rule 66(2) of the Rules of 1945, there is no manner of doubt in the mind of this Court that statutory remedy is available to petitioner to challenge the impugned order dated 15.10.2026.

7. In such view of the matter, the writ petition is dismissed and without touching the merit and demerit of the order, petitioner is relegated to file the Appeal before the State Government under under Rule 66(2) of the Rules of 1945, raising all the grounds legal and factual available to him before the Appellate Authority as per the law.

8. It is also provided that if Appeal is filed by the petitioner before Appellate Authority under the aforesaid Rules within a week, the same shall be decide as expeditious as possible in accordance with law, without unnecessary delay, but not later than three months from the date of production of certified copy of this order.

9. Pending application stands disposed of.

(Pankaj Purohit, J.)
28.10.2026

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