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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

\# **CNR No. DLHC010329572026**

\+ W.P.(C) 10328/2026 & CM APPL. 47838/2026, CM APPL. 57231/2026

SAURABH DALAL & ORS.

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Anuj Kapoor Mr. Nandeesh Nanda Ms. Asra H Rashid, Advs

versus

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT SAMBALPUR & ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Sandeep Kumar Mahapatra Sr. Adv / Ms. Mrinmayee Sahu Adv / Mr. Tribhuvan Adv for R1 and 3

Mr. Vikas Kakkar, Adv. , Mr. Sanskar Nagaich, Adv., Mr. Abhishek Baghel Adv., Ms. Aanchal Kakkar, Adv. , Mr. Bharat Kumar, Adv., Mr. Arijeet Barooah, Adv. for R4

Ms Nidhi Raman CGSC;Mr Vanshul Pali GP Along with Mr Arnav Mittal; Mr Kartik Khullar; Ms Ayushika Mishra;Ms Riya Garg; Ms Nidhi Adarsh ; Ms Nandini Singh, Advs for R2

Ms. Nidhi Raman CGSC with Mr. Arnva Mittal Adv for UOI

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASMEET SINGH**

**O R D E R**

**% 27.10.2026**

**CM APPL. 64380/2026**

1. This is an application filed under Section 151 of CPC, 1908 on behalf of the petitioner's seeking amendment of the writ petition.

2. For the reasons stated in the application, the application is allowed.

**W.P.(C) 10328/2026**

3. This is a writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of

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India seeking the following prayers :-

> *"a) Issue an appropriate writ, order, or direction, including a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondent No.1 to relocate the MBABusiness Analytics Batch 2025– 2027 to the main campus of IIM Sambalpur for the remaining duration of the Programme, including Terms IV, V, and VI, so as to ensure access to the residential infrastructure, institutional ecosystem, resident faculty interaction, academic environment, placement support, and campus facilities originally represented to the Petitioners at the time of admission;*
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> *And, in addition to prayer (a)*
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> *b) Issue an appropriate writ, order, or direction declaring the fee structure applicable to the MBA-Business Analytics Programme, Batch 2025– 2027, as arbitrary, unreasonable, and contrary to the Indian Institute of Management Sambalpur Regulations, 2021, and consequently violative of Article 14 of the Constitution of India, inasmuch as the Respondent Institution has charged fees substantially higher than those levied upon the MBA Programme, Batch 2025– 2027, conducted at the Sambalpur Campus, without providing comparable institutional infrastructure;*
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> *c) Direct the Respondent No.1 to refund, remit, or proportionately adjust a sum of Rs. 6,30,000/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Thirty Thousand Only) or any 83 other amount*

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*per student towards the material deficiency in infrastructure, residential facilities, academic delivery, placement exposure, and institutional ecosystem provided to the Petitioners during the course of the Programme;*

*d) Issue an appropriate writ, order, or direction restraining the Respondent No.1, its officers, agents, and representatives from taking any coercive, punitive, retaliatory, or disciplinary action against the Petitioners or any member of the MBA-BA Batch 2025–2027 on account of their having raised grievances and pursued lawful remedies before competent authorities and this Hon'ble Court post the disposal of the present writ;*

*e) In alternate to prayer (a) Issue an appropriate writ, order or direction directing Respondent No.1 to permit the Petitioners, being students of the MBA-BA Batch 2025–27, to undertake their final semester at the main Sambalpur Campus, with access to the Placement Committee and the institutional placement facilities and processes available to the MBA Core students;*

*f) In the alternative to Prayer (e), issue an appropriate writ, order or direction directing Respondent No.1 to appoint an additional placement agency for the MBA-BA Batch 2025–27 with adequate recruiter outreach and corporate engagement, so as to provide the Petitioners meaningful access to placement and internship*

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4. After some arguments, it is the anxiety of the petitioners that even though the petitioners have adequate academic credentials, they are not being afforded equal opportunities as the MBA core batch at the Sambalpur campus for securing suitable placement opportunities.

5. Mr. Mahapatra, learned Senior Counsel for the respondent No. 1 and 3, on instructions, states that the said statement is incorrect, in fact some of the students have already been absorbed/placed by campus placements.

6. He further states that in order to allay the fears of the petitioners and to help them with career opportunities, the respondents will deploy a placement agency/ Requirement Process Outsourcing (RPO) of repute, to ensure that the petitioners as well as other students of the M.B.A-B.A. 2025-2027 (Business Analytics) Batch are provided an end to end assistance for bringing adequate and suitable opportunities for placement at the Delhi Centre.

7. Mr. Mahapatra, learned Senior Counsel for the respondent No. 1 and 3, on instructions, states that since the respondents are taking care of the petitioners who are their own students, the respondents will not take any further action pursuant to the show-cause notices.

8. Taking his statement on record and binding the respondents to the same, the petition stands disposed of.

9. The Court has not examined the merits of the controversies raised.

**JASMEET SINGH, J**

**OCTOBER 27, 2026/NR**

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