

W.P.No.6350 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 25.02.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

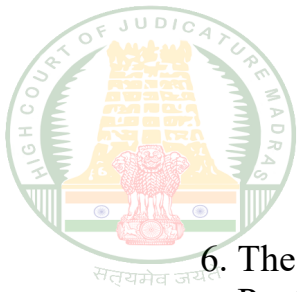
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and W.M.P.Nos.6856 and 6859 of 2026

Dr.S.Abdulkhader

.. Petitioner

Versus

1. Union of India rep. By
The Secretary to Government,
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,
New Delhi.
2. The National Medical Commission,
Pocket 14, Sector 8, Dwaraka Phase-1,
New Delhi – 110 077.
3. The Director General of Health Services,
Medical Counselling Committee,
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,
Govt. of India,
New Delhi – 110 108.
4. The Secretary to Government,
Health & Family Welfare Department,
Govt. of Tamil Nadu,
Chennai – 600 009.
5. The Director of Medical Education,
Kilpauk,
Chennai – 600 010.



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6. The Selection Committee,
Post Graduate Medical Course,
Directorate of Medical Education,
Kilpauk,
Chennai – 600 010.

7. K.Dhanusha

.. Respondents

For Petitioner : Mr.A.E.Ravichandran

For Respondents : Mr.B.Rabu Manohar,
Central Government Standing Counsel,
for RR-1 and 3

: Mr.K.Kumaraguru,
Standing Counsel for R2

: Mr.E.Sundaram,
Government Advocate for RR-4 and 5

: Mrs.M.Sneha,
Standing Counsel for R6

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed with a prayer of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records relating to the third round of Persons with Disability Counselling schedule for Post-Graduate Degree/Diploma courses in Tamil Nadu Government Medical Colleges, 2025-2026 Session, held online from 07.02.2026 to 08.02.2026 under State Quota and the selection list, dated 09.02.2026 published in the official website of the



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sixth respondent and to quash the same and further direct the sixth respondent to conduct a fresh third round of counselling for Persons with Disabilities candidates.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that the petitioner participated in the Post-Graduate NEET Counselling as the candidate eligible to be considered under the Persons with Disabilities Quota under Roll No.25661150694. The petitioner also belongs to Backward Community-Muslim and he has secured 286 marks. The cut-off is only 235 and as such, the petitioner became eligible to apply to Post-Graduate courses. The petitioner's All India Rank was 109892. The petitioner has also uploaded his disability certificate, wherein, he is declared to have 52% disability by the appropriate regional board. Even though certain seats came within the entitlement of the petitioner, in the first and second rounds, the petitioner did not join the courses and as such, he was eligible to participate in the third round.

3. Accordingly, when the petitioner duly paid the fees and participated in the third round, it is the case of the petitioner that the M.D. Pediatrics seat, which is also declared as one of the 14 seats available for

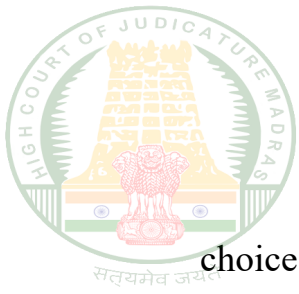


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PwD Quota, was not shown in the petitioner's login. In the petitioner's login, only 13 seats were shown. The screenshot of the website is enclosed in page No.116 of the typed set of papers. The petitioner, even before the lapse of time, has written to the authorities by e-mail enquiring as to what happened to the M.D. Pediatrics seat at Kilpauk Medical College, Chennai which was originally earmarked for B.C-Muslim (PwD Quota). But, there was no response. The petitioner has been writing frantic e-mails. Since that seat was not shown, the petitioner, being interested in choice locking the M.D Pediatrics seat, the petitioner also did not choice lock any other seat for the fact that the petitioner would thereafter not be heard to complain. Therefore, the petitioner is before this Court.

4. A counter-affidavit is filed by the respondent by stating that in the earlier rounds also, the very same seat was available to the petitioner and for the reasons best known to him, he did not participate in the first and second rounds and choice lock the said seat. In any event, all the 14 seats were uploaded and were available for the candidates to choice lock and yet another screenshot is provided by the respondents, in which, it can be seen that number of seats are mentioned as 14, in which, M.D. Pediatrics seat of Kilpauk Medical College is shown as available for



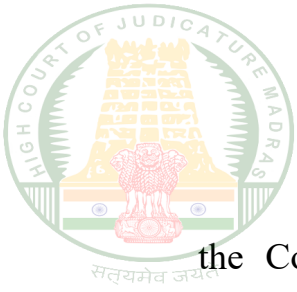
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choice locking. Therefore, now, the Court is confounded with two screenshots of the same web portal showing 13 seats and 14 seats. Therefore, the truth or otherwise of the claim of the petitioner that the interface of his login seems to have been tampered and the said seat is not shown as available to him, has to be gone into and can be gone into only by appropriate technical experts.

5. The learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that he filed the Writ Petition on 16.02.2026 itself and day after day, the matter is dragged on and the petitioner should not be non-suited on the ground of expiry of last date or non-availability of the seat etc.

6. In reply thereof, the learned Standing Counsel for the Selection Committee would submit that the petitioner himself filed the Writ Petition on 16.02.2026 and was moved on 17.02.2026 and as early as possible, instructions were placed on record and counter-affidavits are filed.

7. Be that as it may, it is true that normally, once the selection is over and the last date expires, the High Court, in exercise of Article 226 of



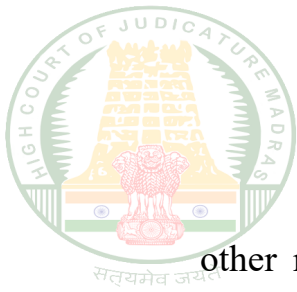
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the Constitution of India, will not undo any admission or grant the petitioner admission by dislodging the person who is wrongfully selected.

But, whether that rule should also be considered in respect of fraud that is said to be perpetrated as in the case of the petitioner, can be considered at the time of final hearing of the Writ Petition. Unless the factual aspects are prima facie proved, the consideration of that question does not arise. If necessary, the selected candidate, who is the seventh respondent, can also be heard and the matter be decided. But, when it is asserted on behalf of the respondents that all was well with the website and it is only the petitioner who did not choice lock and the petitioner takes a counter stand, it is just and necessary that an enquiry be made and an expert files a report before this Court as to whether there was any possibility of tampering and if so, whether the website was tampered and compromised and whether there can be any change of data as 13 and 14, as mentioned by the petitioner. I am of the view, the Inspector of Police, Cyber Crime Branch, Vepery, Chennai, with the help of appropriate experts, shall go into the same and file a report before this Court.

8. In view thereof, the following interim order is passed:-

(i) The petitioner, along with the web-copy of this order and all



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other records, shall appear before the Inspector of Police, Cyber Crime Branch, Vepery, Chennai – 600 007, on 27.02.2026 at 10.30 A.M or sooner thereafter as may be required by the Inspector of Police;

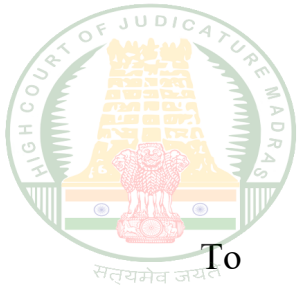
(ii) The petitioner shall submit a complaint in writing. The Inspector of Police need not register an F.I.R, but, the same shall be treated as a petition. By the officer himself or by engaging appropriate technical experts, let the veracity of the allegation made by the petitioner as to whether the screenshot produced by him, wherein it shows only 13 seats, is genuine and correct or not or whether any tampering of data had happened in the portal or not, shall be examined by examining the respective screenshots by either side and also by examining the actual systems and servers etc., wherein the data is maintained and stored and/or the website etc.,

(iii) After finding the truth or otherwise of the allegations, let a report be placed before this Court.

9. Post this matter on 10.03.2026 for submission of the report.

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