

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH**  
**AT SRINAGAR**

WP(C) 3248/2025 CM(8722/2025)

*Date of pronouncement 24-12-2025*

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ARCHANA YADAV.

...Petitioner (s)

Through: Mr. Arshid Bashir, Advocate.

VERSUS

UNION TERRITORY OF J AND K (HEALTH AND MEDICAL EDUCATION)  
AND OTHERS.

Through: Mr. Waseem Gull, GA

...Respondent(s)

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY DHAR, JUDGE.**

**ORDER**

**24-12-2025**

1. The petitioner has challenged order No. 1420-RA (SS) of 2025, dated 12-12-2025, whereby her case pursuant to directions dated 25-11-2025 passed by this Court in WPC No. 2750/2025 has been considered by the respondents and the same has been found devoid of merit. Consequently, her request for exemption from extension of tenure has been rejected.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the respondents while assigning meaning to the word 'Academic year' have construed it as one year from the date of joining the course, whereas as per definition of 'Academic Year' as given in University calendar, academic year means January to December of every calendar year and not one year from the date

of joining of the course. It has been contended that if the respondents would have taken academic year as January to December, in that case there was no need to extend the duration of training of the petitioner on account of her having availed the maternity leave.

3. Issue notice to the respondents Mr. Waseem Gull, GA accepts notice on behalf of respondents. He seeks time to file reply to the writ petition. Needful shall be done by next date of hearing.
4. In the meanwhile, impugned order passed by respondent No. 2 shall remain in *abeyance*.
5. List on 13-02-2026.

(Sanjay Dhar)  
Judge

**SRINAGAR**  
**24-12-2025**  
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