

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

WP(C) No. 730/2026  
CM Nos. 1655/2026 & 1844/2026

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.....Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Joginder Singh Thakur, Advocate.

**Vs**

UT of J&K & Ors.

.....Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Saliqa Sheikh, Assisting Counsel to  
Mr. Raman Sharma, AAG.

**Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAHUL BHARTI, JUDGE**

**ORDER**  
**(08.04.2026)**

1. The petitioner is an appointee as Ayush (Dawasaaz/ Pharmacist). The petitioner's appointment is of 2012 and by that reference is said to have performed duties on different assignments from time to time in the course of which he was one of the staff deputed for designated Covid Care Centers Barrack, Dharmond Batote w.e.f. 01.08.2020 to 15.08.2020 for night shifts.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner refers to the fact that Department of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India launched an Insurance Scheme for Health Care Workers fighting Covid-19 on 30.03.2020 for providing comprehensive personal accident cover of Rs. 50 Lakh to 22.12 Lakh for Health Care Providers including Community Health Workers and Private Health Workers coming in direct contact and care of Covid-19 patients thereby being at risk of impacted by Covid-19.

3. The scheme of 30.03.2020 is said to have been revamped w.e.f. 28.05.2021 by circulating a proforma certificate for all concerned District Collectors to certify the eligibility of the claims.

4. The petitioner is drawing reference to this aspect through the medium of application CM No. 1844/2026 whereas the full policy for scheme to said effect is not on record of the case.

5. Be that as it may, the petitioner is said to have suffered covid related health complications to his person which is reckoned by him entitling him to seek reimbursement of medical expenses spent by him for his medical care and in this regard comes up with the writ petition.

6. Issue notice to the respondents.

7. Ms. Saliqa Sheikh, Assisting Counsel to Mr. Raman Sharma, AAG waives notice on behalf of the respondents.

8. Reply to the writ petition be filed within a period of four weeks.

9. **CM No. 1844/2026** is allowed by taking on record the documents accompanied therewith.

10. List on **20.05.2026**.

**(RAHUL BHARTI)**  
**JUDGE**

**JAMMU**  
**08.04.2026**  
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