



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK S.KINAGI

WRIT PETITION NO. 28089 OF 2024 (EDN-RES)

BETWEEN:

1. DR. SHRUTI KAPOOR
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
D/O RAJEEV KAPOOR
R/O 453/5 GOVINDPURI,
KALKAJI, NEW DELHI 110019
COLLEGE: YENEPOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU
2. DR. MOHAMMED YAZEEN
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
S/O NAZEER
R/O KANNANKARAKUTTIYIL,
KAPPIL EAST,
KRISHNAPURAM PO,
KAYAMKULAM, KERALA 690533
COLLEGE: YENEPOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU
3. DR. SUNAG PADUKUDRU
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS
S/O MANOJ KUMAR P
R/O LOTUS AVENUE APARTMENT,
GEETHA ROAD,
CHAMARAJAPURAM,
MYSORE 570005
COLLEGE: YENEPOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU





4. DR. ESHA SAXENA
MD RADIOLOGIST, AGED 25 YEARS
S/O OM SAXENA
R/O 6-D-137 JNV COLONY,
BIKANER, RAJASTHAN
COLLEGE: YENEPLOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU
5. DR. ROHIT SHARMA
MD RADIOLOGIST, AGED 24 YEARS
S/O ARUN PRAKASH SHARMA
R/O B-32 BHERAV NAGAR,
HATWADA ROAD, JAIPUR
COLLEGE: YENEPLOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU
6. DR KANEEZ FATIMA
AGE 25 YEARS
D/O LATE MD NAQSOOD ALAM AND GULSHAN
RASHID
R/O NEAR TATARPUR JAMA MASJID,
BHAGALPUR, BIHAR 812002
COLLEGE: YENEPLOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU
7. DR ANNU MARIA VARGHESE
AGED 25 YEARS
D/O VARGHESE S AND REJI
R/O PUTHENKUDY HOUSE
KOOVAPPADY PO, PERUMBAVOOR
ERNAKULAM, KERALA, 683544
COLLEGE: YENEPLOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU
8. DR. REEBA MARYAM SAM
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
D/O MR. SAM MATHEW
R/O MUKALIL EDAYILE VEEDU,
KADIKA KATHAPARAMBU PO,
ENATHU, PATHANAMTHITTA, KERALA - 691526



COLLEGE: K S HEGDE MEDICAL ACADEMY,
MANGALURU

9. DR. ARCHIT GUPTA
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS
S/O MR. AJAY KUMAR GUPTA
R/O 18/161 B, MP PURANI MANDI,
TAJ GANJ, AGRA, UTTAR PRADESH - 282001
COLLEGE: K S HEGDE MEDICAL ACADEMY,
MANGALURU
10. DR. RUTWIK SAHOO
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
S/O MR. KARTIK PRASAD SAHOO
R/O PLOT NO. 20, CUTTACK ROAD,
OLD STATION SQUARE,
BHUBANESWAR, ODISHA 751006
COLLEGE: JAWAHARLAL NEHRU MEDICAL
COLLEGE, BELAGAVI
11. DR. RAHUL V
AGED 24 YEARS
S/O VISHWANATH S
ADDRESS 1, PILLAGUMPE,
HOSKOTE TALUK,
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT,
KARNATAKA- 562114
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
12. DR SACHIT KHURANA
AGED 24 YEARS
S/O DR. MUNISH KHURANA
R/O 740, JALANDHAR KUNJ,
KAPURTHALA ROAD,
JALANDHAR, PUNJAB, 144002
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
13. DR. SRISHTI SHARMA
AGE 24 YEARS



D/O MR. SURENDER KUMAR SHARMA
R/O A-25, SECTOR 51
NOIDA, UTTAR PRADESH 201303
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU

14. DR RAMSHA FATMA
AGED 24 YEARS
D/O MAHBOOB ALAM
R/O DURGAPUR, KATIHAR,
BIHAR 854105
COLLEGE SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
15. DR. AARDRA A REVI
AGED 24 YEARS
D/O A V REVI
R/O ARAKKUZHAY HOUSE,
PAZHANGANAD, KIZHAKKAMBALAM PO,
ERNAKULAM, KERALA 683562
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
16. DR. SHIVANI PUNIA
AGED 25 YEARS
S/O OM PRAKASH PUNIA
R/O AKLVYA CHS, SECTOR 21,
KHARGHAR, NAVI MUMBAI,
MAHARASHTRA 410210
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
17. DR. ABHIMANYU GAIKWAD
AGED 24 YEARS
S/O ANIL GAIKWAD
R/O 602, SHREE MANSION,
LAXMI NAGAR, NAGPUR,
MAHARASHTRA 440022
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU



18. DR. YASH KUMAR AGRAWAL
AGED 26 YEARS
S/O SAJAN KUMAR AGRAWAL
R/O H NO 15/35, FRONT OF SHANI TEMPLE,
KHARSIA, CHHATTISGARH 496661
COLLEGE: SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
19. DR. LAVANYA SINGH
AGED 23 YEARS
D/O AWADHESH KUMAR SINGH
R/O D-12, NEHRU SHATABDI CHIKITSALAYA,
JAYANT, SINGRAULI,
MADHYA PRADESH 486890
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
20. DR. ASHWINI RAMAKRISHNAN
AGED 23 YEARS
D/O R.RAMAKRISHNAN
R/O PIMPLE SAUDAGAR, PUNE CITY,
MAHARASHTRA-411027
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
21. DR ARUSHIMA PANKAJ
AGED 24 YEARS
D/O PANKAJ SRIVASTAVA
R/O NB02 RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX,
NEW UNIVERSITY CAMPUS,
UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU, JAMMU
COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU
22. DR. SHARMA RITIKA RAJESH
AGED 25 YEARS
D/O RAJESH SHARMA
R/O SNEHA GENERAL STORES,
KAPDA LINE, WARDHA
MAHARASHTRA 442001,



COLLEGE: SRI SIDDHARTHA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
TUMAKURU

23. DR SIDDHARTH U
AGED 25 YEARS
S/O UNNIKRISHNAN PILLAI G
R/O 1/1, PADMALAYAM,
6TH MAIN, 7TH CROSS
KR COLONY, DOMLUR LAYOUT, BENGALURU 560071
COLLEGE: YENEPOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALORE

24. DR RAKSHA NEGI
AGED 25 YEARS
D/O BRIJMOHAN NEGI AND SUNITA NEGI
R/O NAYA GAON, BALBHADRAPUR,
KOTDWAR, UTTARAKHAND 246149
COLLEGE: YENEPOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU

25. DR. PRIYADARSHINI
AGED 26 YEARS
D/O GYAN RANJAN
R/O D 44, ROAD NO. 3,
NORTH JAI PRAKASH NAGAR,
DIGHA ASHIANA ROAD,
COLLEGE: YENOPOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
MANGALURU

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. HIEMATH AKKAMAHADEVI., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE,
105, 1ST FLOOR, SECRETARIAT BUILDING,
VIKASA SOUDHA,
SESHADRI ROAD,
BENGALURU-560001
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY



2. THE DIRECTORATE OF MEDICAL EDUCATION
BANGALORE MEDICAL COLLEGE AND RESEARCH
INSTITUTE (OLD BUILDING)
FORT, K R ROAD,
BANGALORE 560 002
3. THE COMMISSIONER,
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE SERVICES
AROGYA SOUDHA, 5TH FLOOR
MAGADI ROAD,
BENGALURU 560023

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. MANJUNATH K., HCGP, ADVOCATE)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO QUASH THE IMPUGNED NOTIFICATION (ANNX-A) DTD 09.09.2024 BEARING NO.DHS/BEC/UG/01/202425 AND ISSUED BY THE R3. STRIKE DOWN THE KARNATAKA COMPULSORY SERVICE BY CANDIDATES COMPLETED MEDICAL COURSES(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023, GAZETTED AS THE KCS ACT 3 OF 2024 ON 30.01.2024 AND PRODUCED AS ANNX-D AND THE AMENDED RULES, KARNATAKA COMPULSORY SERVICE TRAINING BY CANDIDATES COMPLETED MEDICAL COURSES (COUNSELING, ALLOTMENT AND CERTIFICATION) (AMENDMENT) RULES, 2024, GAZETTED ON 12.06.2024 AND PRODUCED AS ANNX-F. TO HOLD AND DECLARE THAT CONSEQUENT UPON THE COMING INTO FORCE OF THE AMENDED KARNATAKA COMPULSORY SERVICE BY CANDIDATES COMPLETED MEDICAL COURSES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023, GAZETTED AS ACT 3 2024 ON 30. 01-2024 AND PRODUCED AS ANN-D AND KARNATAKA COMPULSORY



SERVICE BY CANDIDATES COMPLETED MEDICAL COURSES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023, GAZETTED ON 12-06-2024 AND PRODUCED AS ON ANN-F, THE COMPULSORY RURAL SERVICE LAW IN THE STATE HAS UNDERGONE A FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE, AND THE BUSHRA JUDGEMENT (ANN G) WHICH WAS PASSED IN RESPECT OF THE KCS ACT 2012, NO LONGER HOLDS GOOD IN RESPECT OF THE AMENDED KCS ACT 2023 AND KCS RULES 2024, AND ETC;

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK S.KINAGI

ORAL ORDER

1. The petitioners filed this petition seeking the following reliefs:

(a) Quash the impugned Notification (Ann-A) dated 09-09-2024 bearing No DHS/BEC/UG/01/2024-25 and issued by the 3rd respondent;

(b) Strike down the Karnataka Compulsory Service By Candidates completed Medical Courses (Amendment) Act, 2023, gazetted as the KCS Act 3 of 2024 on 30-01-2024 and produced as Ann-D and the amended rules, Karnataka Compulsory Service



Training by Candidates Completed Medical Courses (Counseling, Allotment and Certification) (Amendment) Rules, 2024, gazettted on 11-06-2024 and produced as Ann-F;

*(c) To hold and declare that consequent upon the coming into force of the amended Karnataka Compulsory Service By Candidates Completed Medical Courses (Amendment) Act, 2023, gazetted the KCS Act 3 2024 on 30-01-2024 and produced as Ann-D and Karnataka Compulsory Service By Candidates Completed Medical Courses (Amendment) Act, 2023, gazetted on 12-06-2024 and produced as on Ann-F, the compulsory rural service law in the State has undergone a fundamental change, and the Bushra Judgement (Ann G) which was passed in respect of the KCS Act 2012, no longer holds good in respect of the amended KCS Act 2023 and KCS Rules 2024, and
OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE*

(d) To hold and declare that the amended the Karnataka Compulsory Service By Candidates Completed Medical Courses (Amendment) Act, 2023, gazetted as Act 3 of 2024, gazetted on 30-01-2024 and produced as Ann -D and Karnataka Compulsory Service By Candidates Completed Medical Courses (Amendment) Rules, 2024, gazetted on 11-06-2024 and produced as on Ann-F,



are not applicable to the Petitioners who were MBBS doctors admitted in the year 2018-19 and passed out in April 2024, and

(e) hold and declare that the Common Judgement dated 30-08-2019 (Annexure G) passed by the Learned Judge in WP 40566/2015 (Bushra Judgement) and connected matters, is not binding on the Petitioners herein who are all MBBS graduates under the Private/Management/NRI category of 2018-19 batch from deemed to be universities, and

(f) Strike down Section 3 of the "Karnataka Compulsory Service Training by Candidates Completed Medical Course Act, 2012" as amended by Act 35 of 2017 (Ann-C), and

(g) Any other order that this Hon'ble Court may deem fit, in the facts and circumstances of the case and in the interest of justice.

2. The entire writ petition is based on Annexure-A. Learned Additional Government Advocate filed a memo and produced the communication addressed to the Advocate General's Office, High Court of



Karnataka, Bengaluru, stating that the notification dated 09.09.2024 was superseded by the notification dated 13.09.2024 and kept in abeyance. A new notification was issued on 25.07.2025, limiting the counselling only to candidates admitted under the Government seats. Further, candidates admitted to the course under Private/Management/NRI seats were exonerated from the requirement of one year compulsory service and were issued an exemption NOC. Further, it is also contended that the exemption NOC has been issued to 8,481 Private/Management/NRI candidates including 13 petitioners herein.

3. Memo and communication are placed on record.
4. In view of the communication dated 25.02.2026, nothing survives for consideration in this petition.
5. According, I proceed to pass the following order:



ORDER

- i. The writ petition is ***disposed of*** as having rendered infructuous.
- ii. Pending IA(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

**Sd/-
(ASHOK S.KINAGI)
JUDGE**

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