



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, AT DHARWAD

DATED THIS THE 27<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MRS JUSTICE GEETHA K.B.

**WRIT PETITION NO. 104275 OF 2023 (EDN-MED)**

**BETWEEN:**

1. BHAGWAT SHWETA MANIK,  
AGE: 24 YEARS,
2. KADAM SHRADDHA RAJKUMAR,  
AGE: 21 YEARS,
3. SASANE SHUBHAM SATYAWAN,  
AGE: 20 YEARS,
4. SHELKE ADITYA SANDIP,  
AGE: 19 YEARS,
5. SODNAR GAYATRI PRABHAKAR,  
AGE: 23 YEARS,
6. SONAWALE PRATIMA RAJENDRA,  
AGE: 19 YEARS,
7. CSES-DHANWANTRI AYURVEDIC MEDICAL  
COLLEGE,  
HOSPITAL AND RESEARCH CENTRE NIPANI-591237.  
REPRESENTED BY ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,



SHRI SACHIN MADHUKAR PATIL,  
AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS.

8. DHANWANTRI AYURVEDIC MEDICAL COLLEGE,  
HOSPITAL AND RESEARCH CENTRE,  
NIPANI-591237,  
REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL,  
DR. LAXAMAN VENKAPPA ARAMANI,  
AGED ABOUT 59 YEARS.

(PETITIONER NO.1 TO 6 ARE STUDENTS  
OF 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR BAMS COURSE AT DHANWANTRI  
AYURVEDIC MEDICAL COLLEGE, HOSPITAL  
AND RESEARCH CENTRE, NIPANI-591237.)

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. HARSHAWARDHAN M. PATIL, ADVOCATE)

**AND:**

1. RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES,  
"T" BLOCK, JAYANAGAR, BENGALURU-560 011,  
REPRESENTED BY ITS REGISTRAR.
2. RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES,  
"T" BLOCK, JAYANAGAR, BENGALURU-560 011,  
REPRESENTED BY ITS VOICE CHANCELLOR.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. AVINASH BANAKAR, ADVOCATE FOR R1 & R2)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND  
227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO ISSUE A  
WRIT OR ORDER OR DIRECTION IN THE NATURE OF  
MANDAMUS DIRECTING THE RESPONDENT NO.1 AND 2  
APPROVE THE ADMISSION OF THE PETITIONER NO.1 TO 6,  
ADMITTED TO THE BAMS COURSE FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR  
2021-22 AND DECLARE THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO  
CONTINUATION OF THEIR STUDIES BY GRANT OF APPROVAL



OF THEIR ADMISSIONS AND ISSUE SUCH OTHER WRIT ORDER OR DIRECTIONS AS MAY BE DEEMED JUST AND NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE.

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

CORAM: THE HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE  
AND  
THE HON'BLE MRS JUSTICE GEETHA K.B.

**ORAL ORDER**

(PER: THE HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE)

1. The petitioners have filed the present appeal *inter alia* praying for the following reliefs:

- i. Issue a writ or order or direction in the nature of mandamus directing the Respondent No.1 and 2 approve the admission of the Petitioner no.1 to 6, admitted to the BAMS course for the academic year 2021-22 and declare that they are entitled to continuation of their studies by grant of approval of their admissions.
- ii. Issue such other writ order or directions as may be deemed just and necessary in the interest of justice.

2. Petitioners Nos.1 to 6 are students who have been admitted to Petitioner No.8 - College, which is affiliated with the respondent University, for pursuing the degree course in BAMS. However, they have not been recognized as students by the respondent University,



as their particulars were not uploaded online within the stipulated time. The delay in uploading the required particulars is due to various reasons, including the petitioner College's remote location and the students' inability to submit the requisite details within the prescribed time.

3. The last date fixed by the respondent University for the said academic year 2021-22 was 10.05.2022. The petitioner College had submitted examination fees for all students admitted for the academic year, which were accepted and acknowledged by the respondent University. However, certain documents were not furnished by the students in time, as they are residents of various other States and, as stated above, Petitioner No. 8 College is located in a remote place.

4. Additionally, Petitioner College claims that there were certain technical problems, including issues with the server. The petitioner college states that it also faced difficulties in handling equipment, and was unable to upload the admission statements for the academic year 2021–22.



5. It is stated that, although the petitioner college uploaded a list of thirty students, it was unable to upload admission statements of Petitioners Nos. 1 to 6. In view of the above, the respondent University has permitted only 23 students to appear for the examination.

6. Learned counsel for the parties stated the issue raised in the present petition is covered by earlier decisions passed by this Court in Writ Petition Nos.108504–108508/2014 disposed of on 14.10.2024 and in W.P.Nos.108224-108228/2014 disposed of on 09.02.2025. It is also submitted that, following the said decisions, learned Single Judge of this Court had by order dated 26.02.2025, passed in W.P.Nos.41460-41464/2014 and W.P.Nos.41503-41504/2014 (EDN.-AD), in similar circumstances, allowed the petitions and directed the respondent University to consider the admissions subject to the college paying penalty of Rs.5,000/- per student. The operative part of the said order reads as under:

“6. In the circumstances, Writ Petitions are allowed. Petitioner No.1 - College is directed to pay to 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent University Rs.5,000/- per student in respect of petitioner Nos.2 to 7 herein towards approval of their admissions on or before 03.03.2015. If the said payment is made on or before 03.03.2015, respondent No.2 shall consider



admission of petitioner Nos.2 to 7 herein if they are otherwise eligible for admission to BAMS course and declare their result in respect of the examination already held pursuant to interim order granted in these writ petitions and permit them to appear for subsequent examinations. The said exercise shall be made within a period of one week from the date of making the aforesaid payment by petitioner Nos.2 to 7.

7. Ordered accordingly.

8. Writ petitions are disposed in the aforesaid terms.

9. In view of disposal of writ petitions, no specific order on I.A.I/2015 is called for and it is ordered to be filed.”

7. Learned counsel for the parties submits that the admission of students by the Petitioner College to pursue the degree course of BAMS for the academic year 2021–22 may be permitted, subject to payment of fine of ₹25,000/- per student. It is further submitted that the present petition may be disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

8. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed.

9. Petitioner No.8 College is directed to pay to the respondent University a sum of ₹25,000/- per student in respect of Petitioners Nos.1 to 6, for approval of admission. Such payment shall be made within a period of four weeks from this date. Subject to such payment



being made, respondent University shall regularize the admissions of Petitioners Nos.1 to 6.

10. We clarify that nothing stated in this order shall be construed as this Court expressing any opinion on the eligibility of Petitioners Nos.1 to 6, for being admitted to the said course. The respondent University is also not precluded from examining any other aspect.

**Sd/-  
(VIBHU BAKHRU)  
CHIEF JUSTICE**

**Sd/-  
(GEETHA K.B.)  
JUDGE**

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