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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

W.P.(C) No.36815 of 2026

CNR No. ODHC010867692026

Annapurna School of Nursing, Nabarangpur .... ***Petitioner***

Mr. G.P.Jena, Advocate

-versus-

State of Odisha and Ors .... ***Opp. Parties***

Mr. S.N.Nayak, ASC

Mr. R.C.Mohanty, Advocate for O.P.2 and 3

CORAM:
SHRI JUSTICE B. P. ROUTRAY
MISS JUSTICE SAVITRI RATHO

ORDER
12.11.2026

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02. 1. Heard Mr. Jena, learned counsel for the Petitioner, Mr. R.C. Mohanty, learned counsel for opposite parties 2 and 3 and Mr. S.N. Nayak, learned ASC for State – opposite party No.1.

2. The petitioner– institution in present writ petition has prayed for grant of NOC afresh in respect of the institution to pursue different nursing courses Viz. ANM and GNM courses for the session 2026-27. The case of the Petitioner is that its prayer with regard to grant of NOC to start the nursing courses has been rejected illegally by the authority without proper verification for such reasons indicated in rejection order dated 27th February 2026.

3. Mr. Mohanty, learned counsel for Opposite Party No.2 and 3 (DMET and Odisha Nursing Council) submits that, the last date of

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admission to GNM course is fixed till 15th November 2026 and as such, there is less time to have inspection of the institution afresh in order to grant NOC.

4. Mr. Jena, learned counsel, at this stage undertakes on behalf of the Petitioner that, the Petitioner – institution shall not admit any student in the ANM and GNM courses for the academic session 2026-27 even if the NOC is granted by the authority in respect of the institution.

5. Considering such submission made at the Bar, we are inclined to direct the authorities to reconsider the prayer of the Petitioner for grant of fresh NOC in respect of ANM and GNM courses of the institution. In the event the Petitioner removes the deficiencies as indicated in the rejection order dated 27th February 2026, the authority, i.e. DMET and Odisha Nursing Council (respective Opposite Parties), are directed to reconsider the prayer of the Petitioner to grant fresh NOC in its favour, in accordance with law, by conducting physical inspection within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

6. The writ petition is accordingly disposed of with the aforesaid directions.

(B.P. Routray)
Judge

(Savitri Ratho)
Judge

S.Das