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# Indian Nursing Council allowed to publish list of recognised colleges

In interim order, Division Bench of High Court stays part of previous order

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A Division Bench of the Karnataka High Court on Monday permitted the Indian Nursing Council (INC) to publish on its website a list of nursing institutions recognised by it.

The Bench, comprising Chief Justice Subhro Kamal Mukherjee and Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar, passed the interim order while staying a portion of a Single Judge Bench's order on July 24 restraining the INC. The Division Bench also said it was open to the Karnataka State Nursing Council publishing a list of nursing institutions it recognises.



**FROM THE COURT**

However, the Bench declined to stay, at this stage, the finding of the single judge that the INC had no power to accord recognition to colleges to impart education in nursing courses and was only empowered to prescribe qualification and syllabus.

The Bench passed the order after a preliminary hearing of appeals filed by some nursing colleges and the nursing council.

Earlier, the counsel for INC contended that the council had the power to regulate nursing institutions and pointed out that the INC has been barred from publishing a list of recognised institutions across the country because of the July 24 order.

## **Opposition**

Meanwhile, Karnataka State Association of the Management of Nursing and Allied Health Science Institutions and some nursing institutes opposed the INC's request as

around 250 colleges not found on the INC list will not get any students as only 18 institutes were on the INC website prior to the July 24 order.

The INC's power to grant recognition became an issue after the State government, on December 14, 2016, issued a notification citing a 2005 judgment and clarifying that the power to grant recognition, impart training in nursing, and fix intake rested with the State government, the Karnataka State Nursing Council, and the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, not the INC. The State insisted on INC recognition prior to this.

## Medical fee: HC to hear pleas today

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A Division Bench of the Kerala High Court adjourned to August 22 the hearing on petitions relating to the new fee structure for the MBBS and BDS seats in self-financing medical colleges in the State.

The Bench is also hearing a petition against the order of the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations directing the students seeking allotment to 35% MBBS management seats in MES Medical College, Perinthalmanna, and Dr. Somervel Memorial CSI Medical College, Karakkonam to pay an interest-free refundable deposit of ₹11 lakh and a bank guarantee of ₹44 lakh in addition to the fee as prescribed. It was brought to the notice of the court that the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations had asked students to take bank guarantee in the name of the managements.

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## Nursing Council can post college details on website

BENGALURU: The High Court of Karnataka on Monday permitted the Indian Nursing Council (INC) to publish a list of institutions recognised by it.

In an interim order, a division bench comprising Chief Justice S K Mukherjee and Justice P S Dinesh Kumar directed INC to go ahead and publish the list of the institutions which had got recognition from them.

The division bench was hearing an appeal filed by Adichunchanagiri College of Nursing and 29 other nursing colleges who had challenged a single bench order, which had said that INC has no authority to grant recognition to institutions imparting nursing course.

The bench, however, refused to grant stay on the complete order of the single bench. The appellants had moved the court contending that the Indian Nursing Council has the authority to grant recognition to nursing colleges in the state. The bench has ordered notice to the state government and INC in the matter.

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## ನರ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜು: ಪಟ್ಟಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಗೆ ಹೈಕೋರ್ಟ್ ಅನು

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: 'ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ಪಡೆದ ನರ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳ ಪಟ್ಟಿಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಭಾರತೀಯ ನರ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಮಂಡಳಿಗೆ ಇದೆ' ಎಂದು ಹೈಕೋರ್ಟ್ ಹೇಳಿದೆ.

'ನರ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳಿಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ನೀಡುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಭಾರತೀಯ ನರ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜು ಮಂಡಳಿಗೆ ಇಲ್ಲ' ಎಂಬ ಏಕಸದಸ್ಯ ನ್ಯಾಯಪೀಠದ ಆದೇಶವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಶ್ನಿಸಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದ ಮೇಲ್ಮನವಿ ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ನಡೆಸಿದ ವಿಭಾಗೀಯ ನ್ಯಾಯಪೀಠ ಈ ಮಧ್ಯಂತರ ಆದೇಶ ನೀಡಿದೆ.

ಈ ಕುರಿತಂತೆ ಆದಿಚುಂಚನಗಿರಿ

ನರ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜು ಸೇರಿದಂತೆ 29 ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿರುವ ಮೇಲ್ಮನವಿಯನ್ನು ಮುಖ್ಯ ನ್ಯಾಯಮೂರ್ತಿ ಎಸ್.ಕೆ.ಮುಖರ್ಜಿ ಹಾಗೂ ನ್ಯಾಯಮೂರ್ತಿ ಪಿ.ಎಸ್.ದಿನೇಶ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಅವರಿದ್ದ ವಿಭಾಗೀಯ ನ್ಯಾಯಪೀಠ ಸೋಮವಾರ ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ನಡೆಸಿತು. ಅರ್ಜಿದಾರರ ಮನವಿಯನ್ನು ಭಾಗಶಃ ಪುರಸ್ಕರಿಸಿರುವ ನ್ಯಾಯಪೀಠವು, ಭಾರತೀಯ ನರ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಮಂಡಳಿ ತನ್ನ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ಪಡೆದ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳ ಪಟ್ಟಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಹೇರಿದ್ದ ನಿರ್ಬಂಧವನ್ನು ಮುಕ್ತಗೊಳಿಸಿದೆ.