



VP terms evidence against CJI in medical scam dubious

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The expressions in question were used in the context of alleged payment of bribes in the medical education scam and antedating of records by the CJI to decide who got to hear that case.

As for the allegation of prima facie evidence of the CJI's involvement in the conspiracy to pay bribes in the medical scam, Naidu said, "Conversations between third parties with dubious credentials, which have been excessively relied upon, cannot constitute any material evidence against the holder of the office of CJI."

Rejecting the opposition's notice, he said, "In the absence of credible and verifiable information placed before me which gives an indication of misbehaviour or incapacity, it would be an inappropriate and irresponsible act to accept statements which have little empirical evidence." Naidu also rejected the charge of arbitrariness in allocation of cases to benches by the CJI, emphasising that the SC had affirmed the CJI's prerogative in the matter as "master of the roster".

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Congress calls Venkaiah Naidu's decision 'illegal, ill-advised and hasty'

Dubbing the rejection of the removal notice against Chief Justice of India Dipak Misra as "illegal, ill-advised and hasty", Congress leader **Kapil Sibal** announced on Monday that opposition members would challenge Rajya Sabha Chairman Venkaiah Naidu's order in the Supreme Court.



Sibal urged the CJI to not involve himself in the "listing and hearing" of the petition against rejection of the motion, arguing that Justice Misra could not be the judge in his own case even as he suggested that the government was keen to suppress information on sensitive cases. In a point-by-point rebuttal of the rejection order, Sibal questioned how the Rajya Sabha chairman could dismiss allegations against the CJI — "ante-dating of an administrative order, furnishing false affidavit, conspiracy to pay bribes in Prasad Education Trust case" — without ordering an inquiry. "How can something be proved before it is proved? It can only be proved after an enquiry. It cannot be proved before an enquiry. So it is illegal," Sibal said. The escalation from the opposition camp indicated that the confrontation stoked by the removal petition is unlikely to stop with Naidu's decision. At a press conference held in the Congress office, Sibal, along with senior lawyer-MPs Vivek Tankha and Ami Yagnik, linked Naidu's decision to the Centre. TNN

ter to be resolved by the Supreme Court itself," he said and referred to the SC dismissing a recent challenge to the CJI being the master of the roster as impermissible in law.

Justifying the swiftness with which the order was passed three days after the notice was submitted, Naidu

said he was aware that there was a spate of statements in the press that seemed to violate the atmosphere. "I thought, I should, therefore, expedite my decision and end needless speculation," he said. However, Congress's response made it clear that there was not going to be any closure any time soon.

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ಕೋಲಾರ: ನಗರದ ಆರ್.ಎಲ್.ಜಾಲಪ್ಪ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ, ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಮಹಾ ವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಸ್ಕಾರ್ಟ್ ಭಟ್ಟರ ಹಾಗೂ ಭಟ್ಟರ ಗ್ರಾಮಸ್ಥರ ಸಹಕಾರದಿಂದ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಂಗಳವಾರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10 ರಿಂದ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 3 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ ಉಚಿತ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ತಪಾಸಣಾ ಶಿಬಿರ ಹಮ್ಮಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗಿದೆ. ವಿವಿಧ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ತಜ್ಞರು ಶಿಬಿರದಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿ ತಪಾಸಣೆ ನಡೆಸಲಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿದೆ.

ವೈದ್ಯ ಕಾಲೇಜಿಗೆ ಟಿಬಿ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಕಡ್ಡಾಯ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳು ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ಪಡೆಯಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಕಡ್ಡಾಯವಾಗಿ ಔಷಧ ನಿರೋಧಕ ಟಿಬಿ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಹೊಂದಿರಬೇಕೆಂಬ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆಯನ್ನು ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಭಾರತೀಯ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಪರಿಷತ್ ಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಶ್ರೀಪುರದಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಈ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆ ಜಾರಿಯಾಗುವ ಸಾಧ್ಯತೆಯಿದೆ. ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಒಂದು 1.47 ಲಕ್ಷ ಜನರು ಕ್ಷಯ ರೋಗದಿಂದ ಬಳಲುತ್ತಿದ್ದು, ರೋಗಿಗಳ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಇಳಿಮುಖ ಮಾಡಲು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಔಷಧ ನಿರೋಧಕ ಟಿಬಿ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಆರಂಭಿಸುವ ನಿರ್ಣಯ ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿದೆ. ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಈ ನಿರ್ಣಯ '2025ರ ಟಿಬಿ ಮುಕ್ತ' ಗುರಿಯ ಭಾಗವಾಗಿದೆ. ಇಲ್ಲಿಯವರೆಗೆ ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಪತ್ತೆಯಾದ 27.9 ಲಕ್ಷ ಕ್ಷಯ ರೋಗ ಪ್ರಕರಣದಲ್ಲಿ 4.23 ಲಕ್ಷ ರೋಗಿಗಳು ಬಲಿಯಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ 147 ಔಷಧ ನಿರೋಧಕ ಟಿಬಿ ಸೆಂಟರ್ ಕಾರ್ಯಪ್ರವೃತ್ತವಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಈ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಯನ್ನು ಹೆಚ್ಚಳ ಆಡುವುದು ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಅನಿವಾರ್ಯವಾಗಿದೆ. ಕೈಗೆ ಸುಲಭವಾಗಿ ಔಷಧ ಲಭ್ಯವಾಗುವಂತೆ ಮಾಡಲು ಈ ನಿರ್ಣಯ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.