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### Medical college withdraws extra fee demand, students relieved

Bengaluru: Thirty-seven students who took admission last year under government quota in Sapthagiri Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre, Bengaluru, and were asked to pay additional college fee during second year are relieved after the college backtracked on the same.

The students were shocked when the college announced on August 13 that they had to pay a fee of Rs 70,000 along with tuition charges by August 31, or shell out Rs 100 per day as fine. They were actually required to pay a tuition fee of Rs 77,500 every year. A copy of the notice is with TOI.

Protesting the institution's stand, some parents approached the Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA), which had overseen their wards' admission. "We were shocked to see the notice onfee payment but were afraid to raise our voice as we feared being targeted. All of us had paid an additional Rs 70,000 du-

#### Why go to media, asks principal

C ollege principal Dr Jayanthi V said they had plans to introduce yoga classes and facilities like gym, hostel and research centre, and bence the fee structure was announced on the notice board for students entering second year.

"The same students had paid the college fee during admission and hadn't raised any objections. Why are they going to media now? They could have sorted out the matter with us. We've now withdrawn the circular and also the facilities planned. Unlike government colleges that get bright students, we have all kinds of students and they require additional attention like expert guidance in extra-curricular activities," she pointed out.

ring admission, which the college said was for first year. But for second year too, the college demanded additional fee, which was nothing but illegal," said students.

KEA said no complaint had been received from students. "We've learnt that some colleges are harassing students admitted under government quota for additional fee. We've received a similar complaint against another college and it was referred to the directorate of medical education as it does

not come under our purview," said SN Gangadharaiah, administrative officer, KEA.

Dr S Sacchidanand, director of medical education, said it is illegal on the part of the college to collect anything over and above the fee structure decided as per the agreement. "As the fee regulatory committee is in place, we can't take suo motu action against the medical college which asked students to pay additional fee. Let the students complain to us and we will take action," he said.

## Bengal bizman seeking MBBS seat for son cheated of ₹48L

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Bengaluru: A West Bengalbased businessman, who paid Rs 48 lakh to a consultancy firm to get an MBBS seat for his son in Bengaluru, has been cheated.

Reyajur Rahaman, 53, a resident of Kolkata, was in touch with Sajid Khan, owner of Minerva Knowledge and Services, a consultancy firm in Kolkata, to get a management seat for his son.

On July 6, Rahaman received a message from the company promising a seat in a private medical college in Bengaluru. Rahaman later met Sajid and paid Rs 4.3 lakh to reserve the seat.

On August 23, based on Sajid's direction, Rahaman came to Bengaluru. Rahaman was told that counselling was



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being held in the college. He handed over the remaining Rs 44 lakh to Sajid in a private hotel on Sankey Road. Rahaman was asked to visit the college the next day.

But when Rahaman went there, he realized he had been taken for a ride and contacted Sajid. But his phone was switched off. Later, Rahaman filed a complaint at High Grounds police station. "Rahaman was seeking a seat for his son. These agencies are set up overnight and siphon off money. Parents need to approach heads of the institutions to get seats and not agencies," said DCP (central) D Devaral.

Middlemen turn scamsters
Police said cheating over
MBBS seats continues to thrive as some college managements are encouraging middlemen. Several colleges use
these middlemen to sell management quota seats at higher prices. They get the database of aspirants with help
from people, who have access

The mediators usually get a commission for their job, but some of them attempt to make a quick buck, cheating people after receiving money.

to counselling details, and

approach parents.

### ಚಿಕಿತ್ನಾಲಯ ಲೋಕಾರ್ಪಣೆ

ಕೋಲಾರ: ಆರ್.ಎಲ್. ಜಾಲಪ್ಪ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ಟ್ರೆ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರ ರಾಜ್ಯ ವಿಮಾ ಯೋಜನೆ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯದ ಚಿಕಿತ್ಸಾಲಯವನ್ನು ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಅೋಕಾರ್ಪಣೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಯಿತು. ಜಾಲಪ್ಪ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ ಮತ್ತು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಮಹಾವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ಜಿ.ಎಚ್. ನಾಗರಾಜ್, ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಜಿ. ರಾಜೇಂದ್ರ ಚಿಕಿತ್ಸಾಲಯ ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿದರು. ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಮಹಾವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಕುಲಪತಿ ಡಾ. ಎಸ್.ಕುಮಾರ್, ಉಪ ಕುಲಪತಿ ಡಾ. ಸಿ.ವಿ. ರಘುವೀರ್, ಕುಲಸಚಿವ ಡಾ.ಎ.ವಿ.ಎಂ.ಕುಟ್ಟಿ, ಪ್ರಾಂಶುಪಾಲ ಡಾ. ಎಂ.ಎಲ್. ಹರೇಂದ್ರ ಕುಮಾರ್, ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜೀನಿಯರ್ ಹನುಮಂತರಾವ್, ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಅಧೀಕ್ಷಕ ಡಾ. ವಿ. ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಯ್ಯ ಮತ್ತಿತರರು ಇದ್ದರು.



ಕೋಲಾರದ ಆರ್.ಎಲ್. ಜಾಲಪ್ಪ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರ ರಾಜ್ಯ ವಿಮಾ ಯೋಜನೆ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯದ ಚಿಕಿತ್ಸಾಲಯವನ್ನು ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ನಾಗರಾಜ್, ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಜೆ. ರಾಜೇಂದ್ರ ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿದರು.

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