

ITEM NO.302

COURT NO.7

SECTION IV-C

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s).26816/2023

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 10-07-2023 in WP No. 4335/2023 passed by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh Principal Seat at Jabalpur]

**RANI DULLAIYA SMRITI HOMEOPATHY MEDICAL COLLEGE
AND HOSPITAL**

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

[TO BE TAKEN UP AT 2:30 PM].....[FOR FINAL DISPOSAL]
IA No. 241827/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT
IA No. 241825/2023 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

WITH
SLP(C) No. 26817/2023 (IV-C)

IA No. 242755/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT
IA No. 242752/2023 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES
SLP(C) No. 26953/2023 (IV-C)

IA No. 245389/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT
IA No. 245384/2023 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES
SLP(C) No. 7250/2024 (IV-C)

IA No. 60063/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT
IA No. 60064/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.
SLP(C) No. 23831/2023 (IV-A)

IA No. 197345/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT
IA No. 231941/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.
IA No. 231938/2023 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES
SLP(C) No. 3449/2026 (III-B)
FOR PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES ON IA
34265/2026
FOR APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS ON IA 85080/2026

IA No. 85080/2026 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 34265/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

SLP(C) No. 30761/2024 (IV-C)

FOR

FOR EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. ON IA 229898/2024

FOR impleading party ON IA 231346/2024

FOR INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT ON IA 231346/2024

FOR PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES ON IA 231347/2024

FOR APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS ON IA 160622/2025

FOR EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. ON IA 160624/2025

FOR APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS ON IA 10100/2026

FOR EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. ON IA 10101/2026

IA No. 10100/2026 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 160622/2025 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 229898/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 10101/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 160624/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 231346/2024 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

IA No. 231347/2024 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

SLP(C) No. 9815/2026 (XVI)

IA No. 79161/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 79162/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 29-04-2026 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

SLP (C) No.26816/2023, SLP (C) No.26817/2023, SLP (C) No.26953/2023, SLP (C) No.7250/2024, SLP (C) No.23831/2023 and SLP (C) No.30761/2024

1. We heard the learned counsel appearing for the respective petitioners, Ms. Ankita Chaudhary, the learned counsel appearing for the National Commission for Homeopathy and Ms. Aishwarya Bhati, the learned A.S.G. appearing for the Union of India.
2. In our order dated 05.02.2026, paras 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, respectively read thus:-

"19. The issue in the present batch of petitions is with respect to Section 14 of the National Commission for Homeopathy Act, 2020 (for short, "the Act, 2020").

20. Section 14 of the Act, 2020 provides that there shall be a uniform National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test for admission to the undergraduate in Homeopathy in all medical institutions governed under this Act.

21. In the course of today's hearing, what we have been able to gather is that for the purpose of Homeopathy also, the exams are conducted by National Testing Agency (for short, "NTA"). However, the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that the mandate of Section 14 is that the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test has to be conducted by the Homeopathy Commission as defined under Section 2(d) of the Act, 2020. "Commission" as defined under Section 2(d) means the National Commission for Homeopathy constituted under Section 3.

22. The rationale behind this submission is that the examinees will have to be examined based on the requirement of the Homeopathy course.

23. We request Ms. Ankita Chaudhary, the learned counsel appearing for the Commission to take instructions as regards the aforesaid and assist us on the next date of hearing."

3. In pursuance of our aforesaid order, Ms. Chaudhary submitted that the principle argument canvassed on behalf of the petitioners deserves to be out right rejected. She invited our attention to Section 14(2) of the National Commission for Homeopathy Act, 2020 (for short, "the Act, 2020"). Section 14 of the Act, 2020 reads thus:-

"14. National Eligibility cum-Entrance Test.—(1) There shall be a uniform National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test, for admission to the undergraduate in Homoeopathy in all medical institutions governed under this Act.

(2) The Commission shall conduct the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test in English and in such other languages, through such designated authority and in such manner, as may be specified by regulations.

(3) The Commission shall specify by regulations the manner of conducting common counselling by the designated authority for admission to all the medical institutions governed under this Act:

Provided that the common counselling shall be conducted by the designated authority of --

*(i) the Central Government, for All India seats;
and
(ii) the State Government, for the remaining seats
at the State level."*

4. According to Ms. Chaudhary, Section 14 mandates that there has to be a uniform National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test for admission to the undergraduate in Homeopathy in all medical institutions governed under the Act, 2020.

5. According to Ms. Chaudhary, Sub-Section 2 of Section 14 empowers the Commission to conduct the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test in English or in any other languages through such designated authority and in such a manner as may be specified by regulations.

6. The submission of Ms. Chaudhary is that through such designated authority includes the National Testing Agency (for short, "the NTA").

7. The most important aspect highlighted by Ms. Chaudhary is that insofar as NEET (UG) is concerned, the syllabus remains the same, irrespective of any branch of medicine. If that be so, then it is difficult for us to accept the submission canvassed on behalf of the petitioners that insofar as NEET (UG) for Homeopathy is concerned, there has to be a separate exam.

8. In view of the aforesaid, the Special Leave Petitions stand dismissed.

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

SLP (C) No.3449/2026

1. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners seeks permission to withdraw the Special Leave Petition with liberty to go back to the High Court seeking appropriate relief.
2. The Special Leave Petition is dismissed as not pressed.
3. It shall be open for the petitioners to raise all contentions available to them in law before the High Court.

SLP (C) No.9815/2026

1. De-tag from SLP (C) No.26816/2023.
2. List after four weeks.

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