

Court No. - 21

Case :- PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (PIL) No. - 18 of 2024

Petitioner :- Suo Motu In Re Rodents Menace In Srn Hospital

Respondent :- State of U.P.

Counsel for Petitioner :- Suo Motu In Re Rodents Menace In Srn Hospital

Hon'ble Manoj Kumar Gupta,J.

Hon'ble Manish Kumar Nigam,J.

1. In compliance of previous order of this Court dated 22.08.2024, the Principal Secretary, Medical Education Department, State of U.P. and Superintendent-in-Chief, Swaroop Rani Nehru Hospital, Prayagraj have filed their affidavits.

2. We have heard Sri Manish Goyal, learned Additional Advocate General assisted by Ms. Akansha Sharma, learned Standing Counsel.

3. Regarding 'stray dogs menace' the affidavit of Principal Secretary, Medical Education Department discloses that the strength of security guards has been increased to 40 in Swaroop Rani Nehru Hospital. The security guards would be provided by Uttar Pradesh Bhutpurva Sainik Kalyan Nigam Ltd. with which the Medical College has entered into a contract. Out of 40 guards, which are to be provided, one is of the level of Supervisor, nine are armed guards and thirty are other security guards. It is further stated that an order has been issued on 10.09.2024 laying down the guidelines to be followed to strengthen the security in various Government Medical Colleges/ Autonomous State Medical Colleges/ Universities/ Colleges. It is further stated that the Municipal Commissioner, Prayagraj has been requested to start a drive to catch stray dogs. The broken doors and entry points are being repaired to take care of the menace.

4. Regarding availability of duty rooms for doctors and other facilities; the affidavit filed by the Superintendent-in-Chief, Swaroop Rani Hospital, Prayagraj discloses that there are in all thirty rest rooms for male and female duty doctors in different departments in the hospital. It is admitted that there are no duty rooms for female doctors in Pulmonary Department and E.N.T. Department. In department of Surgery, the rest room has been repaired and is now functional. Each rest room has attached washroom.

5. A chart which is part of the affidavit however indicates that there are no separate duty rooms for female doctors in Cardiology, Orthopedic, Surgery (Emergency), apart from Pulmonary and E.N.T. Department where as noted above, the duty rooms are reported to be under construction.

6. We notice that although in some departments there are several wards but there is only one duty room, which may not be sufficient to cater to the requirements.

7. We would require additional affidavit from the Superintendent-in-Chief, Swaroop Rani Nehru Hospital, Prayagraj in respect of the above aspect and also regarding the plan for construction of separate duty rooms for female doctors in departments where not available.

8. Any further suggestion from the Superintendent-in-Chief, Swaroop Rani Nehru Hospital, Prayagraj would be appreciated.

9. Put up this case as fresh on 21.10.2024.

Order Date :- 18.9.2024

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(Manish Kumar Nigam, J.) (Manoj Kumar Gupta, J.)