

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

CJ Court

Case: PIL No. 2/2018
PIL No. 37/2013 & PIL No. 16/2018

Citizens Forum.

...Petitioner(s)/Appellant(s)

Through: M/s S S Ahmed & Supriya Chouhan Advocates.

V/s

State of J&K and ors.

.... Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG
Mr. Ravinder Gupta, AAG.
Ms. Deepika Mahajan, Sr. Advocate with
Ms. Insha, Advocate.

**CORAM: HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNESH OSWAL, JUDGE.**

**ORDER
09.12.2025**

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01. What we have at hands is a bunch of four petitions purportedly filed in *public interest*, which are pending over a decade.
02. In essence, a mandamus is prayed for to command the respondents to provide adequate medical facilities and infrastructure at capital cities and also the urban areas considering the ever rising population. Further, to direct the respondents to regulate and monitor the functioning of Nursing Homes and private Medical Institutes/Health Centres in sync with the guidelines of Ministry of Health Government of India and Medical Council of India.
03. Considering the nature and multiple issues/questions that arise for consideration of this Court, vide order date November 10, 2025, we had

requested Mr. S S Ahmed, Advocate to render assistance as an *Amicus*. Accordingly, he submits that he has examined each of the four petitions in detail and numerous orders that have been passed from time to time. It is urged that fifteen Status reports/compliance reports have been submitted by the respondent-Authorities over a period of time. But with no tangible results. He prays for a short accommodation to collate all the reports/affidavits that have been filed to flag the issues that need to be addressed and submit an affidavit/report with suggestions.

04. He has also shared with us a news report, published today in one of the dailies (Excelsior), which is in active circulation in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir.

05. We have examined the said report. Which reveals that cardiac services at Government Super Speciality Hospital, Jammu (GSSH) came to a grinding halt as the authorized suppliers of emergency cardiac devices including stents, pacemakers, balloons and Cath Lab Consumables- suspended all such supplies owing to unpaid dues amounting to nearly ₹ 30.00 crores under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (PMJAY). As a result, the Hospitals Cath-Lab operations have been completely paralyzed. For, in the normal parlance the GSSH performs around twenty -five cardiac procedures daily but owing to the current impasse not a single heart related intervention could be carried out throughout the day which has placed vulnerable cardiac patients at serious risk.

06. *Exfacie*, the matter is highly sensitive. Thus, we are impelled to take *suo motto* cognizance of the prevailing conditions.

07. Accordingly, Registrar (Judicial) of this Court is requested to register and number a petition as '*Court on its own motion vs. Nemo*' in public interest and put up the same before this Bench during the course of the day.

08. As prayed by the learned Amicus, the proceedings are deferred by 29.12.2025.

(RAJNESH OSWAL)
JUDGE

(ARUN PALLI)
CHIEF JUSTICE

Jammu
09.12.2025
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