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Private medical colleges flout apex court order

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Jaipur: The private medical colleges are taking huge amount either in cash or as fixed deposits in the name of bank guarantee which, according to the police, is illegal and is in violation of the orders passed by the Supreme Court in the case of Islamic Academy of Education.

In its order, the apex court has said, "An education institute can only charge the prescribed fees for one semester/year. If an institution feels that any particular student may leave in midstream then, at the most, it may require that student to give a bond/bank guarantee that the balance fees for the entire course will be received by the institution even if the student left midcourse."

The police in its report highlighted that the private colleges are taking huge sum in cash in the name of bank guarantee from successful candidates and even the interest is not being accounted for, whereas the Supreme court has said in clear terms, "At the end of the course the interest earned on these deposits must be paid to the student form whom the fees were collected in advance."

A police report said, "No college can collect cash in the name of bank guarantee but Mahatma Gandhi Medical College in 2009 collected cash between Rs 8-10 lakh from 72 students which is illegal. This was for MBBS first-year studies."