

Peer Review

# Review of: "Conscientious Objection to Enforcing Living Wills: A Conflict Between Beneficence and Autonomy and a Solution From Indian Philosophy"

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This case report presents a thoughtful and culturally grounded exploration of ethical tensions between patient autonomy and physician conscientious objection in enforcing living wills, framed within the legal context of the Common Cause v. Union of India. The manuscript is commendable for integrating classical biomedical ethical principles with culturally contextual frameworks such as Ahimsa and Raja Dharma, offering an innovative interdisciplinary perspective that enriches global bioethics discourse. The case narrative is clearly described and highlights real-world ethical complexity during public health emergencies. However, the article would benefit from strengthening academic rigor by incorporating a comparative analysis with international ethical frameworks, such as Western principlism and global advance directive policies, and by expanding the discussion on institutional mechanisms (e.g., ethics committees, mediation protocols, and legal safeguards) that can operationalize culturally informed ethical reasoning into clinical practice.

## Declarations

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