

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)**

**MONDAY, THE THIRTIETH DAY OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

:PRESENT:

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND
WRIT PETITION NO: 6040 OF 2026**



Between:

Arpita Singh, D/o. Sanjit Kumar, Student PGP-1, Roll No 2510014, Indian Institute of Management, Gambhiram Village, Anandapuram Mandal, Visakhapatnam - 531 163, Andhra Pradesh.

...Petitioner

AND

1. The Union of India, Rep by its Secretary, Ministry of Education 122-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001.
2. The Indian Institute of Management, Rep by its Director, Gambhiram Village, Anandapuram Mandal, Visakhapatnam - 531163, AP.
3. The Dean (Administration) and, Chair (Student Matters Facilitation Committee), Indian Institute of Management, Gambhiram Village, Anandapuram Mandal, Visakhapatnam - 531163, AP.
4. The Chair, Internal Committee, Indian Institute of Management, Gambhiram Village, Anandapuram Mandal, Visakhapatnam - 531163, Andhra Pradesh.

...Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS declaring the action of the Respondent No.3 in initiating the proceedings under POSH Act 2013 without following due process of law, there by issuing the impugned Orders Dated 17/02/2026 vide Proceedings No.IIMV/ICC/Admn/2026/01, as illegal, arbitrary, violation of

principles of natural justice and in violation of Articles 14, 21 and 300-A of the Constitution of India and to Set-a-side the same by Consequently directing the Respondents to permit the Petitioner to have access to University Hostel, attend the classes physically, all academic activities including placements and other activities equally on par with other students, in the interest of justice;

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

Petition under Section 151 of CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondents to permit the Petitioner to have access to University Hostel attend the classes physically, all academic activities including placements and other activities equally on par with other students; pending disposal of WP No. 6040 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

IA NO: 2 OF 2026

Petition under Section 151 of CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to Suspend the impugned Orders Dated 17/02/2026 vide Proceedings No. IIMV/ICC/ Admn/2026/01 issued by the 3rd Respondent; pending disposal of WP No. 6040 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

The petition, coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and the order of the High Court order dated 03.03.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri DEVALARAJU ANIL KUMAR Advocate for the Petitioner, and of ADDITIONAL SOLICITOR GENERAL OF INDIA, for the Respondent No.1 and the Court made the following.

ORDER

Learned counsel for the petitioner sought time to file reply affidavit.

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Interim order granted earlier shall stand extended for a further period of six (06) weeks.

SD/-A.VIJAYA BABU
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

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To,

1. One CC to SRI. DEVALARAJU ANIL KUMAR Advocate [OPUC]
2. One CC to SRI. VENNA HEMANTH KUMAR(CENTRAL GOVERNMENT COUNSEL) Advocate [OPUC]
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HIGH COURT

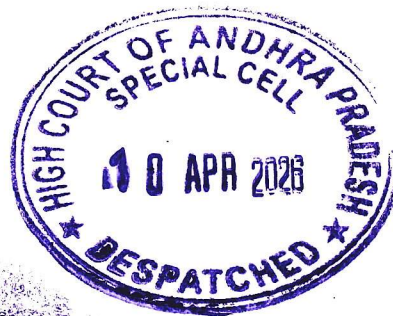
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DATED:30/03/2026

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ORDER

WP.No.6040 of 2026



INTERIM ORDER EXTENDED