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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

[3327]

TUESDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 8752/2024

Between:

1. ST. THOMAS COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, REP BY ITS
CORRESPONDENT SRI. CHERUKURI DEVADAS PRABHAKARA
RAO BYPASS ROAD, TIRUVURU, KRISHNA DISTRICT, ANDHRA
PRADESH.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
TULLURU, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR
DISTRICT.

2. THE ANDHRA PRADESH STATE COUNCIL FOR HIGHER
EDUCATION, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH REP BY ITS
SECRETARY NEELADRI TOWERS, 6TH BATTALIAN ROAD
MANGALAGIRI, ANDHRA PRADESH 522503

3. THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION SOUTHERN
REGIONAL COMMITTEE, REP BY ITS SECRETARY G-7, SECTOR
10, DWARAKA NEW DELHI-110075.

4. KRISHNA UNIVERSITY, REP BY ITS REGISTRAR MACHILIPATNAM
KONA ROAD, RUDRAVARAM, MACHILIPATNAM, ANDHRA
PRADESH 521003

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate writ more in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondent in withdrawing the recognition of the Petitioner institution through its minutes of 434th meeting held on 22-03-2024 (Serial No.12) without considering the explanation of the Petitioner on 22-02-2022 relying on the show cause notices issued by the Respondent on 13-04-2021 and 04-02-2022 as being arbitrary. illegal, unwarranted and violative of Articles 14 and 19 of the Constitution of India and violative of the National Council for Teacher Education Act and the Rules framed thereunder and consequently set aside the impugned minutes dated 22-03-2024 and issue such other writ or order or direction as deemed fit and proper in the circumstances of case.

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. SRI VIJAY MATHUKUMILLI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. HEMANTH KUMAR VENNA

2. S PARINEETA

3. GP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

4. B SUDHAKAR KUMAR SC For KRISHNA UNIVERSITY, MTM

The Court made the following:

Order:

This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following prayer;

“....issue an appropriate writ more in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondent in withdrawing the recognition of the Petitioner institution through its minutes of 434th meeting held on 22-03-2024 (Serial No.12) without considering the explanation of the Petitioner on 22-02-2022 relying on the show cause notices issued by the Respondent on 13-04-2021 and 04-02-2022 as being arbitrary, illegal, unwarranted and violative of Articles 14 and 19 of the Constitution of India and violative of the National Council for Teacher Education Act and the Rules framed thereunder and consequently, set aside the impugned minutes dated 22-03-2024 and issue such other writ or order or direction as deemed fit and proper in the circumstances of case.”

2. Today, when the matter is taken up for hearing, it is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner, and admitted to, by the learned Assistant Government Pleader, that the subject matter of this Writ Petition is squarely covered by the common order passed by this Court in Writ Petition No.26846 of 2024 and batch, dated 27.10.2025.

3. Following the said common order passed by this Court in Writ Petition No.26846 of 2024 and batch, dated 27.10.2025, and for the reasons mentioned therein, this Writ Petition is allowed setting aside the impugned minutes dated 22.03.2024. However, it is needless to mention that the respondent-authorities are at liberty to issue letters to the petitioner institution to obtain information and process the same in accordance with law duly

following the provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993. There shall be no orders as to costs.

As a sequel thereto, the miscellaneous applications, if any, pending in this Writ Petition shall stand closed.

K. SREENIVASA REDDY, J.

Date:11.11.2025

Note:

Office to attach copy of common order in Writ Petition No.26846 of 2024, dated 27.10.2025, to this order.

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HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

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