



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

[3460]

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY NINTH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

WRIT PETITION NO: 12166/2026

Between:

1. PRABHALA KISHORE, S/O. LATE P. KRISHNA
PRABHAKARA SASTRY AGED ABOUT 75 YEARS, R/O.
D.NO. 139/1A-8. OPP. ANU MEN'S HOSTEL. KAZA
NAGARJUNA NAGAR (POST), GUNTUR-522510

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, SECRETARIAT,
VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522237.

2. THE REGISTRAR, THE RAYALASEEMA UNIVERSITY,
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, NANDYALA ROAD, PASUPULA,
KURNOOL DISTRICT-518007.

3. THE VICECHANCELLOR, THE RAYALASEEMA
UNIVERSITY, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, NANDYALA
ROAD, PASUPULA, KURNOOL DISTRICT-518007.

...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 please to issue a Writ, Order or

Direction more particularly one in nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 2ND AND 3RD Respondents in not permitting the petitioner to complete the Doctorate in Philosophy (Ph.D) Course purportedly on the grounds of non-payment of course fee/extension fee and/or non submission of DCMS/Thesis in time as wholly illegal, arbitrary, unjust, contrary to Principles of Natural Justice besides being violative of Article 14 and 21 of Constitution of India and consequently direct the Respondents to permit the petitioner to complete the Ph.D. Course by condoning the delay for payment fee and by providing one time opportunity to complete his respective Course and to pass

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MAHESWARI ARIKA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

The Court made the following:

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY**W.P.No.12166 of 2026****ORDER:**

1. The present Writ Petition is filed questioning the action of Respondent Nos.2 and 3 in not permitting the Petitioner to complete the Doctorate in Philosophy (Ph.D) course purportedly on the grounds i.e., non-payment of course fee/extension fee and/or non-submission of DCMS/Thesis in time, as illegal and arbitrary.
2. It is submitted that the issue is squarely covered by the orders of this Court in W.P.No.28977 of 2023, W.P.No.13688 of 2024, W.P.No.10937 of 2025 etc., wherein this Court granted time of ten (10) days as a one-time measure to deposit fee *vis-à-vis* the very same University.
3. Heard Ms. Maheswari Arika, learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner and Ms. N. Vijaya Santhi, learned Standing Counsel for Rayalaseema University.
4. As there is no dispute with regard to the orders of this Court in similar cases referred above, the Writ Petition is disposed of in terms thereof as under:-

(i) Having regard to these facts, there shall be a direction to the Official Respondents to allow the Writ Petitioner to deposit the required fee within a period of ten (10) days in terms of the order passed by this Court dated 04.04.2024 in W.P.No.28977 of 2023. It is needless to state that the Official Respondents shall adhere to the directions passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P.No.28977 of 2023 dated 04.04.2024. There shall be no order as to costs.

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

Date: 29.04.2026
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NYAPATHY VIJAY, J

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

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Dt. 29.04.2026

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