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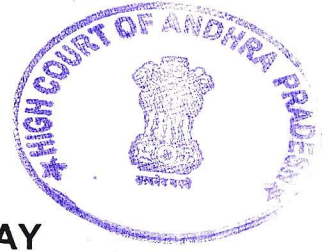
IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

THURSDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

WRIT PETITION NO: 13709 OF 2026



Between:

MAM Women's Engineering College, Rep by its Correspondent Sri. MR
Sesha Girirao Kesanupalli Village, Narasaraopet Mandal, Palnadu
District, Andhra Pradesh

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Represented by its Principal Secretary,
Higher Education Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District,
Andhra Pradesh. 522238
2. The Commissioner of Higher Education, O/o Commissionerate of
Higher Education, Ground & Second Floors, Garudadri KK Towers, Sri
Lakshmi Narasimha Colony, Mangalagiri - 522503 Guntur District,
Andhra Pradesh.
3. The Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Kakinada,
Ramanayyapeta, Kakinada Andhra Pradesh - 533003

Respondents

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, Order or Direction, more particularly one
in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 3rd
Respondent University, namely Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University
Kakinada, in issuing the impugned proceedings Lr. No. JNTUK/DAL/Payment
of Dues to University/2026, Dated 28-04-2026, whereby the conduct of Fact

Finding Committee inspections and consideration of the Petitioner institutions for grant of affiliation for the academic year 2026-27 has been made conditional upon payment of the alleged Common Services Fee (UCS), as illegal, arbitrary, without jurisdiction, and contrary to the statutory scheme governing affiliation, apart from being in violation of Articles 14 and 19(1)(g) of the Constitution of India, especially in the light of the fact that the very levy, applicability and enforceability of the said Common Services Fee is sub judice and pending adjudication before this Honourable Court in batch of Writ Petitions vide WP No. 19487 of 2023, and consequently set aside the said impugned proceedings dated and issue such other writ or order or direction as deemed fit and proper in the circumstances of case.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the impugned communication and direct the 3rd Respondent University to forthwith conduct FFC inspections and grant affiliation to the Petitioner institutions for the academic year 2026-27, without insisting upon payment of UCS, pending disposal of the Writ Petition, and pass such other order or orders as this Honourable Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case, Pending disposal of WP 13709 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 upon hearing the arguments of SRI SRI VIJAY MATHUKUMILLI, Advocate for the Petitioner, learned GP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION for the Respondent Nos.1&2, Sri Suraj, Standing Counsel for the Respondent No.3, the Court made the following
ORDER:

The Writ Petition is filed questioning the Proceedings dated 28.04.2026 with regard to Common Services Fee (UCS) as illegal and arbitrary.

Learned counsel for the Respondent University submits that the impugned Notice is not only with regard to Common Service Fee but also for other fees, and therefore, the Petitioner cannot seek a stay of other fees.

Learned counsel for the Petitioner and the learned counsel for Respondents relied upon the Order of this Court in W.P.No.11106 of 2025, wherein this Court passed the following order:

“ It is cleared in all these matters, the Interim Order passed by this Court shall only be confined to the university Common Services Fee but shall not be applicable to any other fee under any other Head. Insofar as Common Services Fee is concerned, the same shall be subject to the final result in the present Writ Petitions.

Insofar the issue of Affiliation Fee raised by the Writ Petitioner in W.P.No.11106 of 2025 is concerned, it is noticed that this aspect has not been dealt with by this Court earlier, and therefore, it requires consideration. Therefore, the Writ Petitioner would do well in paying the concerned Fee to the University, subject to the final result in the Writ Petition”.

In the light of the above, there shall be an interim direction as follows:

- i) The Petitioner shall pay all the dues other than the Common Service Fee to the Respondent Authorities pending further orders.

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SD/- M.VENKATESWARA RAO
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, State of Andhra Pradesh, Higher Education Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh. 522238 (BY SPECIAL MESSENGER)
2. The Commissioner of Higher Education, O/o Commissionerate of Higher Education, Ground & Second Floors, Garudadri KK Towers, Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Colony, Mangalagiri - 522503 Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.
3. The Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Kakinada, Ramanayyapeta, Kakinada Andhra Pradesh - 533003 (2&3 by RPAD)
4. One CC to SRI. SRI VIJAY MATHUKUMILLI Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to GP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
6. One CC to SRI SURAJ, STANDING COUNSEL [OPUC]
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HIGH COURT

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DATED:07/05/2026

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ORDER

WP.No.13709 of 2026

INTERIM DIRECTION

