

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

**WEDNESDAY, THE SIXTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE JUVVADI SRIDEVI

WP.Nos. 12263,12305 AND 12332 OF 2026

WP NO: 12263 OF 2026

Between:

Varikuti Surya Tej, Age 20 years, S/o. Naga Raju, Occ. Student, R/o. H. No. 3-9, Almasguda, Near Hanuman Temple, Badangpet, Ranga Reddy District.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. The State of Telangana, represented by its Principal Secretary to Government, Medical Health and Family Welfare Department, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad.
2. Kaloji Narayana Rao University of Health Sciences, represented by its Registrar, Warangal. Telangana.

...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 a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd Respondent University to recalculate my marks in the subject of Human Anatomy by applying its established practice of taking the average of the best two out of the available evaluations. and consequently declare me as pass in the subject based on the recalculated total of 90.75 marks out of 200 in theory and aggregate of 169.75 marks out of 300.

I.A. NO: 1 OF 2026

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 to call for the entire records pertaining to the evaluation of the Petitioner's answer scripts in the subjects of Human Anatomy and Physiology, including the original answer scripts, valuation sheets, tabulation registers and all records reflecting marks awarded by each evaluator, from the 2nd Respondent University, for the purpose of judicial scrutiny, so as to examine the arbitrariness, inconsistency and illegality in the evaluation process, pending disposal of the writ petition.

I.A. NO: 2 OF 2026

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 to direct the 2nd Respondent University to permit the Petitioner to approach the Grievance Committee of the University and to consider the Petitioner's case for recalculation of marks in the subject of Human Anatomy in accordance with the University's established norms and practice, including the method of taking the average of the best two evaluations, and to pass appropriate orders thereon within a time frame to be fixed by this Hon'ble Court,

**Counsel for the Petitioner: SRI P.RAJA SRIPATHI SENIOR COUNSEL FOR
SRI UDAY KUMAR KUKKADAPU**

Counsel for the Respondent No.1: AGP FOR MEDICAL HEALTH & FW

Counsel for the Respondent No.2: SRI T.SHARAT, SC FOR KNRUHS

WP NO: 12305 OF 2026

Between:

Mandagondi Dinesh Chandra, Age about 20 years, S/o. Siva Ramakrishna, Occ Student, MBBS-I, R/o. Flat No. 283, Sagar Complex, Vanastalipuram, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy District

...PETITIONER

AND

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2. Kaloji Narayana Rao University of Health Sciences, represented by its Registrar, Warangal, Telangana.

...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 a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd Respondent University to recalculate my marks in Physiology by applying its established practice of taking the average of the best two out of the available evaluations and correcting patent errors in evaluation, and consequently declare me as pass in the subject based on the recalculated total of 85 marks out of 200 and aggregate of 164 marks out of 300.

I.A. NO: 1 OF 2026

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 to direct the 2nd Respondent University to permit the Petitioner to approach the Grievance Committee of the University and to consider the Petitioner's case for recalculation of marks in the subject of Physiology in accordance with the University's established norms and practice, including the method of taking the average of the best two evaluations and correcting patent errors, and to pass appropriate orders thereon within a time frame to be fixed by this Hon'ble Court.

I.A. NO: 2 OF 2026

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 to call for the entire records pertaining to the evaluation of the Petitioners' answer scripts in the subjects of Human Anatomy and Physiology, including the original answer scripts, valuation sheets, tabulation registers and all records reflecting marks awarded by each evaluator, from the 2nd Respondent University, for the purpose of judicial

scrutiny, so as to examine the arbitrariness, inconsistency and illegality in the evaluation process, pending disposal of the writ petition.

**Counsel for the Petitioner: SRI P.RAJA SRIPATHI SENIOR COUNSEL FOR
SRI UDAY KUMAR KUKKADAPU**

Counsel for the Respondent No.1: AGP FOR MEDICAL HEALTH & FW

Counsel for the Respondent No.2: SRI T.SHARAT, SC FOR KNRUHS

WP NO: 12332 OF 2026

Between:

Putti Vaibhav, S/o. Putti Srinivas, Age 20 years, Occ. Student R/o. H. No. 8-100,
Ramayampet Mandal, Ramayampet, Medak District.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. The State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary to Government, Medical Health and Family Welfare Department, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad.
2. Kaloji Narayana Rao University of Health Sciences Represented by its Registrar, Warangal, Telangana.

...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 a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd Respondent University to recalculate my marks in the subjects of Human Anatomy and Physiology by applying its established practice of taking the average of the best two out of the available evaluations in respect of Physiology and the average of the two evaluations a respect of Anatomy, and by correcting the discrepancies in evaluation, and consequently declare my result in accordance with such recalculated marks.

I.A. NO: 1 OF 2026

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 to direct the 2nd Respondent University to permit the Petitioner to approach the Grievance Committee of the University and to consider the Petitioner's case for recalculation of

marks in the subjects of Human Anatomy and Physiology in accordance with the University's established norms and practice, including the method of taking the average of the best two evaluations, and to pass appropriate orders thereon within a time frame to be fixed by this Hon'ble Court.

I.A. NO: 2 OF 2026

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 to call for the entire subjects of records pertaining to the evaluation of the Petitioners answer scripts in the Human Anatomy and Physiology, including the original answer scripts, valuation sheets, tabulation registers and all records reflecting marks awarded by each evaluator, from the 2nd Respondent University, for the purpose of judicial scrutiny, so as to examine the arbitrariness, inconsistency and illegality in the evaluation process, pending disposal of writ petition.

**Counsel for the Petitioner: SRI P.RAJA SRIPATHI SENIOR COUNSEL FOR
SRI UDAY KUMAR KUKKADAPU**

Counsel for the Respondent No.1: AGP FOR MEDICAL HEALTH & FW

Counsel for the Respondent No.2: SRI T.SHARAT, SC FOR KNRUHS

The Court made the following: COMMON ORDER

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE SMT. JUSTICE JUVVADI SRIDEVI

WRIT PETITION Nos.12263, 12305 and 12332 of 2026

06 MAY, 2026

Between:

Varikuti Surya Tej and two others

... Petitioners

AND

The State of Telangana, represented
by its Principal Secretary to Government,
Medical Health and Family Welfare Department,
Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad and another
... Respondents

: COMMON ORDER :

W.P.No.12263 of 2026 is filed seeking the following relief:

"...pleased to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd Respondent University to recalculate my marks in the subject of Human Anatomy by applying its established practice of taking the average of the best two out of the available evaluations, and consequently declare the petitioner as pass in the subject based on the recalculated total of 90 75 marks out of 200 in theory and aggregate of 169.75 marks out of 300 and pass..."

W.P.No.12305 of 2026 is filed seeking the following relief:

"...pleased to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd Respondent University to recalculate my marks in Physiology by applying its established practice of taking the average of the best two out of the available evaluations and by correcting patent errors in evaluation, and consequently declare me as pass in the subject based on the recalculated total of 85 marks out of 200 and aggregate of 164 marks out of 300 and pass..."

W.P.No.12332 of 2026 is filed seeking the following relief:

"...pleased to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd Respondent University to recalculate my marks in the subjects of Human Anatomy and Physiology by applying its established practice of taking the average of

the best two out of the available evaluations in respect of Physiology and the average of the two evaluations in respect of Anatomy, and by correcting the discrepancies in evaluation, and consequently declare my result in accordance with such recalculated marks and pass..."

2. Since the issue involved in all the three writ petitions is one and the same, all the three writ petitions are heard together and disposed of by way of this common order.

3. Heard Mr. P.Raja Sripathi Rao, learned Senior Counsel representing Mr. Uday Kumar Kukkadapu, learned counsel for the petitioners, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Medical, Health and Family Welfare Department appearing for respondent No.1 and Mr. T.Sharat, learned Standing Counsel for Kaloji Narayana Rao University of Health Sciences, appearing for respondent No.2. Perused the record.

4. **Facts of the case:**

4.1. The petitioners are bona fide MBBS students studying in colleges affiliated to respondent No.2-University. The petitioner in W.P.No.12263 of 2026 appeared for the MBBS First Year examinations conducted in September, 2025, while the petitioners in W.P.Nos.12305 and 12332 of 2026 appeared for the MBBS First Year Supplementary Examinations conducted in November and September, 2025 respectively.

4.2. The petitioners claim that they performed satisfactorily in all subjects, including Human Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry and had a legitimate expectation of being declared successful in the examinations. However, the petitioner in W.P.No.12263 of 2026 was declared failed in Human Anatomy Theory, having secured 79 marks out of 200 marks, thereby falling short of the prescribed minimum of 80 marks by just one mark. The petitioner in W.P.No.12305 of 2026 was declared failed in Physiology Theory, having secured 78 marks out of 200 marks, falling short by two marks. The petitioner in W.P.No.12332 of 2026 was declared failed in Human Anatomy Theory and Physiology Theory, having secured 63 marks and 51 marks respectively, out of 200 marks.

4.3. Aggrieved by the said results, the petitioners earlier approached this Court by filing W.P.Nos.7506, 7495 and 5102 of 2026. Pursuant to the orders, dated 11.03.2026 and 18.02.2026 passed by this Court, the respondent-University permitted re-verification and personal inspection of the answer scripts.

4.4. During the physical verification of the answer scripts, the petitioners noticed several discrepancies and irregularities in the evaluation process. According to the petitioners, identical answers were awarded either zero marks or negligible marks by one evaluator, whereas substantial marks were awarded by another

evaluator. Further, answers containing relevant and correct content were either ignored or improperly assessed.

4.5. The principal grievance of the petitioners is that though their answer scripts were subjected to triple valuation, the respondent-University failed to follow Regulation 8.4(b) of the National Medical Commission Compendium Regulations, 2024 (hereinafter referred to as 'Regulation 8.4(b)'), which mandates that where an answer script is evaluated by three evaluators, the average of the best two evaluations, rounded off to the nearest integer, shall be taken for final computation of the results. Contrary to the said Regulation, the respondent-University calculated the average of all the three evaluations, resulting in reduction of the petitioners' marks and their erroneous declaration as unsuccessful in the subjects referred to above.

4.6. The petitioners have furnished a comparative tabulation indicating the marks computed under the method adopted by the respondent-University i.e., average of all the three evaluations as well as the marks that would be obtained by applying the "best of two evaluations" contemplated under Regulation 8.4(b), which is as follows:

W.P.No.12263 of 2026 (Human Anatomy)			
	Awarded marks	As per results	Best of two
Paper-I			
1 st Evaluator	40		40
2 nd Evaluator	30.5		
3 rd evaluator	59		59
Total	129.5		99
		$40+30.5+59=129.5/3=43$	$40+59=99/2=50$
Paper-II			
1 st Evaluator	41.5		41.5
2 nd Evaluator	42.5		42.5
3 rd Evaluator	23		
Total	107		84
		$41.5+42.5+23=107/3=36$	$41.5+42.5=84/2=42$
Grand Total		$43+36=79$	$50+42=92$
W.P.No.12305 of 2026 (Physiology)			
	Awarded marks	As per results	Best of two
Paper-I			
1 st Evaluator	42		42
2 nd Evaluator	46		46
3 rd evaluator	-		
Total	88		88
Paper-II			
1 st Evaluator	28		
2 nd Evaluator	29		29
3 rd evaluator	43.5		43.5
Total	100.5		72.5
		$28+29+43.5=100.5/3=34$	$29+43.5=72.5/2=36$
Grand Total		$44+34=78$	$44+36=80$
W.P.No.12332 of 2026			
	Awarded marks	As per results	Best of two
Paper-I (Physiology)			
1 st Evaluator	43.5		43.5
2 nd Evaluator	58.5		58.5
3 rd evaluator	30		
Total	132		102
		$43.5+58.5+30=132/3=44$	$43.5+58.5=102/2=51$
Paper-II			
1 st Evaluator	28.5		28.5
2 nd Evaluator	28		
3 rd evaluator	45		45
Total	101.5		73.5
		$28.5+28+45=101.5/3=34$	$28.5+45=73.5/2=37$
Grand Total		$44+34=78$	$51+37=88$

5. Learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the answer scripts of the petitioners were evaluated by three evaluators and if the average of the best two evaluations is taken in

accordance with Regulation 8.4(b), the petitioner in W.P.No.12263 of 2026 would secure 92 marks in Human Anatomy Theory, the petitioner in W.P.No.12305 of 2026 would secure 80 marks in Physiology Theory and the petitioner in W.P.No.12332 of 2026 would secure 88 marks in Physiology Theory, thereby satisfying the minimum qualifying criteria prescribed for passing. He further submits that although the petitioner in W.P.No.12332 of 2026 was declared unsuccessful in both Physiology and Human Anatomy, the petitioner is not pressing the claim insofar as Human Anatomy is concerned. He further submits that the action of the respondents in not applying the prescribed method of evaluation is illegal and contrary to the Regulations governing valuation of answer scripts, resulting in serious prejudice to the academic career of the petitioners, including delay in completion of medical education and career progression. Hence, he prayed this Court to direct the respondent-University to recalculate the marks of the petitioners strictly in accordance with Regulation 8.4(b) and declare the results accordingly.

6. Learned Standing Counsel appearing for respondent No.2-University does not dispute the submissions made by the learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioners.

7. Having heard the learned counsel appearing on both sides and upon perusal of the material placed on record, the core issue that arises for consideration is whether the respondent-University has correctly applied the prescribed method for computation of marks in respect of the petitioners' answer scripts subjected to triple evaluation, in accordance with Regulation 8.4(b).

8. For proper adjudication of the matter, Regulation 8.4(b), is extracted hereunder:

"b. All the answer scripts shall be subjected for two valuations by the concerned University. The average of the total marks awarded by the two evaluators for the paper, which is rounded off to the nearest integer (whole number), shall be considered for computation of the results. All the answer scripts, where the difference between two valuations is 15% and more of the total marks prescribed for the paper, shall be subjected to third valuation. The average of the best two total marks, awarded by the three evaluators for the paper, rounded off to the nearest integer (whole number), shall be considered for final computation of the results."

9. A bare perusal of Regulation 8.4(b) clearly discloses that where an answer script is evaluated by three evaluators, the average of the best two evaluations shall be taken into consideration for declaration of results, after rounding off to the nearest integer.

10. In the present case, the material placed on record by the petitioners clearly indicates that their answer scripts were subjected to triple evaluation by three different evaluators. However, the

respondent-University computed the marks by taking the average of all the three evaluations instead of taking the average of the best two evaluations as mandated under Regulation 8.4(b). Once the Regulations prescribe a specific mode of computation of marks, the respondent-University is bound to strictly adhere to the same. Any deviation from the prescribed procedure would render the evaluation process arbitrary and unsustainable.

11. The calculations furnished by the petitioners further establish that had the prescribed procedure been followed, the petitioners would have secured the minimum qualifying marks in the concerned theory subjects and consequently would have been declared as pass in the subjects referred to above. Therefore, this Court is of the considered view that the respondents have failed to follow the mandatory procedure prescribed under Regulation 8.4(b), resulting in an erroneous computation of the petitioners' marks. The action of the respondent-University, being contrary to the express mandate of the Regulations, cannot be sustained.

12. This Court is neither sitting in an appeal over the academic assessment made by the evaluators nor undertaking reevaluation of the answer scripts. The limited scrutiny undertaken in the present writ petitions is confined to examining whether the procedure prescribed under Regulation 8.4(b) has been duly followed by the

respondent-University or not. When the statutory Regulations prescribe a particular mode of computation, the examining authority is obligated to adhere to the same in letter and spirit.

13. Further, the petitioners are medical students and denial of correct computation of marks would seriously prejudice their academic progression and future career prospects. It is well settled that although academic matters ordinarily warrant limited judicial interference, the Courts are justified in exercising judicial review where the action of the examining authority is arbitrary, contrary to the governing Regulations or violative of principles of fairness and transparency.

14. In view of the foregoing discussion, the Writ Petitions are allowed and respondent No.2-University is directed to recalculate the marks of the petitioner in W.P.No.12263 of 2026 in the subject of Human Anatomy Theory, the petitioner in W.P.No.12305 of 2026 in the subject of Physiology Theory and the petitioner in W.P.No.12332 of 2026 in the subject of Physiology Theory, by taking the average of the best two evaluations in terms of Regulation 8.4(b) and thereafter declare the revised results within a period of one (1) month from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

Miscellaneous applications, if any, shall stand closed.

Sd/-AHMED ABDULLA KHAN
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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To,

1. The Principal Secretary to Government, Medical Health and Family Welfare Department, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad
2. The Registrar, Kaloji Narayana Rao University of Health Sciences, Warangal, Telangana.
3. One CC to SRI UDAY KUMAR KUKKADAPU, Advocate [OPUC]
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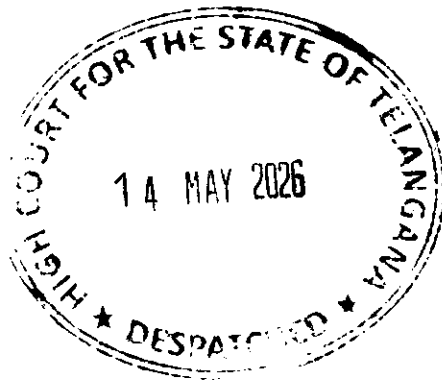
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HIGH COURT

DATED: 06/05/2026

COMMON ORDER

WP.Nos. 12263, 12305 AND 12332 OF 2026



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