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

**TUESDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE JUVVADI SRIDEVI

WRIT PETITION NO: 14811 OF 2026

Between:

A.Vishal, S/o. A.L.Srinivasa Rao, Age 26 years, Occ. Student, R/o.H.No.8-3-228/293, Rehamath Nagar, Yousufguda, Hyderabad - 500 045.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. The State of Telangana, Rep. by Prl. Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Secretariat Buildings, Secretariat, Hyderabad- 500 022.
2. The Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru Technical University, Kukatpally, Hyderabad, Telangana State-500 082.
3. The Principal, Sree Dattha Institute of Engineering and Science, Sheriguda, Ibrahimpatnam, Telangana -501510.

...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 Writ, Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus questioning the action of the respondent No.3 in withholding the custody of the original educational certificates of Board of Secondary Education, Telangana State (SSC) Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad, Transfer Certificate of Intermediate Course (TC), and Bonafide certificates of the petitioner as illegal, arbitrary, and unconstitutional and subsequently direct the respondent no.3 college to release the



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original educational certificates of Board of Secondary Education. Telangana State(SSC). Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad, Transfer Certificate of Intermediate Course (TC), and Bonafide certificates of the petitioner.

Counsel for the Petitioner: Ms.GEETHA NALLAM FOR M/s DISHA LAW FIRM

Counsel for the Respondent No.1: GP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Counsel for the Respondent No.2: SRI PERI PRABHAKAR, SC FOR JNTU

Counsel for the Respondent No.3: - - -

The Court made the following: ORDER



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DATED 16TH JUNE, 2026

Between:

A.Vishal

... Petitioner

AND

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Principal Secretary,
Department of Higher Education,
Secretariat Buildings, Secretariat,
Hyderabad-500 022 and two others.

... Respondents

: ORDER :

This Writ Petition is filed seeking the following relief:

"to issue Writ Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus questioning the action of the respondent No.3 in withholding the custody of the original educational certificates of Board of Secondary Education Telangana State (SSC) Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad, Transfer Certificate of Intermediate Course (TC) and Bonafide certificates of the petitioner as illegal, arbitrary and unconstitutional and subsequently direct the respondent no.3 college to release the original educational certificates of Board of Secondary Education: Telangana State(SSC), Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad, Transfer Certificate of Intermediate Course (TC) and Bonafide certificates of the petitioner and pass such other order or orders as this Court deems fit and proper..."



2. Heard Ms.Geetha Nallam, learned counsel appearing on behalf of M/s.Disha Law Firm, learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Government Pleader for Higher Education appearing for respondent No.1, Mr.Prabhakar Peri, learned Standing Counsel for JNTU appearing for respondent No.2. Notice was served on respondent No. 3 on 09.05.2026. However, no representation has been made on behalf of respondent No. 3 till date, despite service of notice.

3. Case of the petitioner is that at the time of his admission into Sree Dattha Institute of Engineering and Science, Sheriguda, Ibrahimpatnam, Telangana, affiliated with JNTUH, under the management quota in the B.Tech CSE course, 1st year for the academic year 2017-2018, in respondent No.3 College, all his original certificates, including Boarding of Secondary Education Telangana State (SSC), Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad, Transfer Certificate of Intermediate Course(TC) and Bonafide Certificates were retained by the Management of respondent No.3-college. Subsequently, he discontinued his studies due to his ill-health and financial problems. Further case of the petitioner is that he requested respondent No.3 seeking return of his original certificates, but respondent No.3



refused to release the original certificates and demanded him to pay Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakhs only) to the college for returning Original Certificates. Further case of the petitioner is that he is unable to continue his studies at the 3rd respondent college due to his ill-health and financial problem. Non release of Original Certificates will cause irreparable loss, setback to the petitioner's career. Hence, the present writ petition.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner requires his original certificates to pursue his career. He further submits that the action of respondent No.3 in withholding the original certificates submitted by the petitioner at the time of admission is illegal and arbitrary. Therefore, he seeks a direction to respondent No.3 to forthwith return the petitioner's original certificates.

5. Perused the record.

6. It is not in dispute that the petitioner has secured admission in respondent No.3 college and he has discontinued his studies and his original certificates referred to above were in the custody of respondent No.3. The said certificates, being personal and academic credentials, are undoubtedly the property of the petitioner.



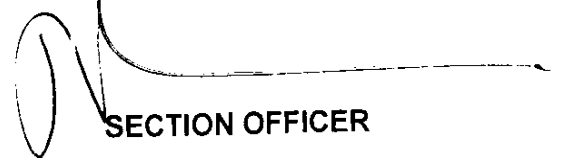
In such circumstances, respondent No.3-college has no authority whatsoever to retain the said certificates and the retention of the petitioner's original certificates by respondent No.3 is wholly unjustified and cannot be sustained. Even assuming that the college has any monetary claim against the petitioner, withholding his original certificates cannot be adopted as a mode of enforcing such claim, the proper remedy, if any available to the college is to proceed in accordance with law for recovery of its dues, but not retain the petitioner's original certificates.

7. For the foregoing discussion, this Writ Petition is allowed, directing respondent No.3 to forthwith return the original certificates referred to above to the petitioner forthwith, immediately upon receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall stand closed.

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**SD/-M. OSMAN ALI BAIG
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**


SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Prl. Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Secretariat Buildings, Secretariat, Hyderabad- 500 022.
2. The Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru Technical University, Kukatpally, Hyderabad, Telangana State-500 082.
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4. One CC to SRI DISHA LAW FIRM, Advocate [OPUC]
5. One CC to SRI PERI PRABHAKAR, SC FOR JNTU [OPUC]
6. Two CCs to GP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, High Court for the State of
Telangana, at Hyderabad [OUT]
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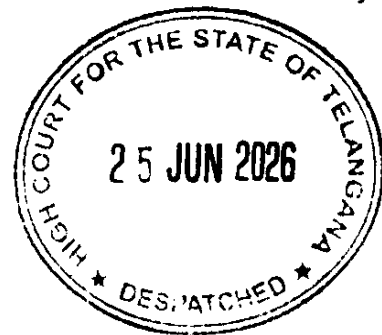
HIGH COURT

CC TODAY

DATED: 16/06/2026

ORDER

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**ALLOWING THE WRIT PETITION
WITHOUT COSTS**

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