

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

FRIDAY, THE TWENTY SECOND DAY OF AUGUST
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K.LAKSHMAN

WRIT PETITION NO: 25102 OF 2025

Between:

Basula Venkata Abhinava Srikanth, S/o. Subrahmanyeswara Rao, Age. about 36 years, Occ. Faculty, RC Reddy IAS Study circle, R/o. 22-2-3, munsib street, mandapeta, East Godavari, Andhra Pradesh-533308. Current address. Pent house. Sai Guna Nilayam TRT 150, RTC X Rd, Jawahar Nagar, Hyderabad, Telangana 500020.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. The State of Telangana, Rep., by its Principal Secretary, Department of Education, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
2. The Telangana State Council of Higher Education, Rep. by its Commissioner, Masab Tank, Hyderabad.
3. The Convenor, TS LAW CET and PGLCET 2025 admissions Online counseling center PGRRCDE, Osmania University, Hyderabad.
4. The Chairman, Telangana Admission and Fee admission Regulatory committee, Hyderabad.
5. The Registrar, Osmania University, Tarnaka, Hyderabad

...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 Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents in not allowing the petitioner holding the hall ticket no. 12522112301 to exercise the web options phase-I thereby not allowing the petitioner to participate in the online counseling for the admission into 3 year LLB course under TS-LAWCET 2025 under the 15percent unreserved open quota as per the G.O.Ms.No.15 dt. 27.02.2025 as illegal, arbitrary and contrary to the law and in violation of

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ORAL ORDER:

Heard Ms.Mallela Suchitra, learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Government Pleader for Higher Education appearing for respondent Nos.1 and 2 and Mr.M.Srinivas Reddy, learned Standing Counsel appearing for respondent Nos.3 and 5.

2. Petitioner is claiming that he is a resident of Hyderabad. He has completed his schooling at Mandapet, East Godavari District. He has completed intermediate course in Hyderabad and he pursued his B.Tech course in JNTU, Kakinada, East Godavari District. He was selected as Forest Officer in the erstwhile Andhra Pradesh in the year 2013 and after bifurcation, he opted for Andhra Pradesh. Thereafter, he opted voluntary retirement from service and staying in Hyderabad.

3. According to the petitioner, he is coming to Hyderabad now and then for the purpose of coaching. He has applied for TG LAW CET – 2025 pursuant to notification issued by

respondent No.3 and he got 9th rank. He has submitted all the certificates for verification from 04.08.2025 to 14.08.2025 with respondent No.3. Even then, respondent No.3 has rejected his request stating that he is not eligible for exercising web option. Challenging the said action of respondent No.3, petitioner filed the present writ petition.

4. Mr.M.Srinivas Reddy, learned Standing Counsel for respondent Nos.3 and 5, on instructions, would submit that petitioner has not submitted all the relevant documents to respondent No.3 at the time of certificate verification showing that he is falling under 15% category in terms of G.O.Ms.No.15, Higher Education (TE), Department, dated 27.02.2025. If petitioner submits the copies of all the required documents, respondent No.3 will consider the same.

5. As per TG LAWCET – 2025 Admissions detailed notification for web based counseling, dated 26.07.2025, the eligibility criteria and certificates to be uploaded at the time of registration and application form are prescribed as follows:

**“b. Eligibility for TG LAW CET 2025
Admissions:**

1. The candidate should be of Indian Nationality.
2. The candidates should satisfy the local / unreserved status requirements as specified in G.O.Ms.No. 15 Higher Education (TE) Department dated 27-02-2025

Admission to 85% of the convener quota seats shall be reserved in each course in the Educational Institutions in the State for the local candidates of O.U. Area as specified in the Andhra Pradesh Educational Institutions (Regulations and Admissions) Order, 1974 as subsequently amended and the remaining 15% of the seats shall be unreserved seats, as follows:

- (i) All the candidates eligible to be declared as local candidates of O.U. Area.
- (ii) Candidates who have resided in the State for a total period of ten years excluding periods of study outside the State or either of whose parents have resided in the State for a total period of ten years excluding periods of employment outside the State;
- (iii) Candidates who are children of parents who are in the employment of this State or Central Government, Public Sector Corporation, Local Bodies, Universities and other similar quasi-Public Institution within the State; and
- (iv) Candidates who are spouses of those in the employment of the State or Central Government Public Sector Corporations, Local Bodies Universities and educational Institutions recognized by the Government or a University or Other competent authority and similar other quasi-Government institutions within the State.

d. Certificates to be uploaded at the time of Registration and filling application form

1. TG LAWCET-2025 Rank Card
2. Memorandum of marks of SSC or equivalent
3. Memorandum of marks of Intermediate or equivalent
4. Memorandum of marks in Qualifying Examination (Intermediate marks memo for LLB 5 year course and Degree Consolidate marks memo (CMM) for LLB 3 years course
5. Provisional / Degree Certificate of Qualifying Examination (Intermediate certificate for LLB 5 year course and Degree Provisional Certificate (PC)/ Original Degree (OD) for LLB 3 years course.

Note: Candidates who have pursued degree outside Telangana state are required to submit equivalence certificate from any of the universities in Telangana.

6. Transfer Certificate.
7. Study certificates from 1stclass to Graduation, as applicable.
8. Residence certificate for preceding 10 years as applicable of the qualifying examination i.e. Graduation in respect of candidates who have private study without any institutionalized education (Distance education/Open school education).
9. Residence certificate from M. R.O either of parents in Telangana for 10 years in case of non-local candidates (G.O. Ms. No.64 dt: 26.05.2006 & G.O.Ms.No.116 dt:0708.2007). In respect of Non-Local candidates in order to

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consider them for allotment under unreserved seats the following certificates needs to be submitted.

Residence Certificate: Candidates who has resided in the State for a total period of 10 years excluding periods of study outside the State; or either of whose parents has resided in the State for a total period of 10 years excluding periods of employment outside the State.

(OR)

Employer Certificate: Candidates who are children of parents who are in the employment

of this State or Central Government, Public Sector Corporations, Local bodies, Universities

and other similar Quasi Public Institutions within the State at the time of applying for TG LAW CET- 2025) examination.

(OR)

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5. In G.O.Ms.No.15, Higher Education (TE), Department,
dated 27.02.2025, it is mentioned as follows:

"a) At the Rule 7(i)(1) of G.O. 1st read above and at Rule 7 of G.O. 2nd read above and at Rule 7(i) of G.O's 3rd to 9th read above and at Rule 8(i) of the G.O. 10th read above, in place of "Region-wise reservation of seats" the following shall be substituted:-

"Admission to 85% of the seats shall be reserved in each course in the Educational Institutions in the State for the local candidates of O.U. Area as specified in the Andhra Pradesh Educational Institutions (Regulations and Admissions) Order, 1974 as subsequently amended and the remaining 15% of the seats shall be un-reserved seats, as follows:

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- (iv) Candidates who are spouses of those in the employment of the State or Central Government Public Sector Corporations, Local Bodies Universities and educational Institutions recognized by the Government or a University or Other competent authority and similar other quasi-Government institutions within the State."

6. According to the petitioner, he was selected as Forest Officer in the erstwhile Andhra Pradesh in the year 2013 and after bifurcation, he opted for Andhra Pradesh. Thereafter, he opted voluntary retirement from service and staying in Hyderabad. He is coming to Hyderabad now and then for the purpose of coaching. Therefore, he is entitled for admission in three years LLB course under 15% category in terms of G.O.Ms.No.15, Higher Education (TE), Department, dated 27.02.2025. However, he has not submitted any documents to respondent No.3 along with proof of his stay or stay of his parents in terms of the said G.O. and TG LAWCET – 2025 notification.

7. In the light of the aforesaid discussion, this Writ Petition is disposed of directing the petitioner to submit a representation along with the copies of all the required documents to show that he is falling under 15% category, to respondent No.3 within one (1) week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On receipt of the same, respondent No.3 shall consider the same. If respondent No.3 comes to a

conclusion that the petitioner is eligible to get admission into three years LLB course under 15% category in terms of G.O.Ms.No.15, Higher Education (TE), Department, dated 27.02.2025, he shall provide admission to the petitioner herein. If respondent No.3 is not inclined to accept the request made by the petitioner, he shall assign specific reasons, pass a reasoned order and communicate copy of the same to the petitioner within one (1) week thereafter.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

SD/- T.VIJAY KUMAR
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

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6. One CC to SRI YEMMIGANUR SOMA SRINATH REDDY, Advocate. [OPUC]
7. Two CCs to GP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, High Court for the State of Telangana. [OUT]
8. One CC to SRI M.SRINIVAS, SC for Osmania University, Hyderabad. [OPUC]
9. Two CD Copies.

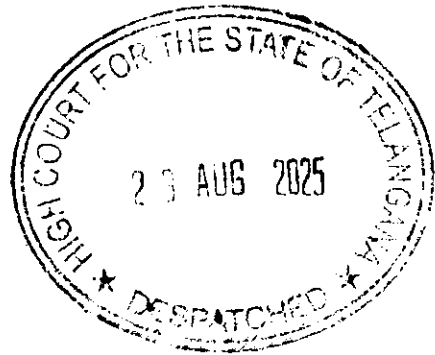
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HIGH COURT

DATED:22/08/2025

CC TODAY



ORDER

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**DISPOSING OF THE WRIT PETITION
WITHOUT COSTS**

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