



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF MARCH, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE E.S. INDIRESH

WRIT PETITION NO.138 OF 2026 (EDN-RES)

BETWEEN:

NARENDRA H.J.
S/O JAYANNA MURTHY,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
OCC.: STUDENT,
R/AT D. HALASAHALLI,
KASABA HOBLI,
MALAVALLI TALUK,
MANDYA - 571 430.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. UDAY SHANKAR M., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,
M.S. BUILDING, AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU - 560 001.
REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY.
2. KARNATAKA STATE LAW UNIVERSITY
NAVANAGAR,
HUBBALLI - 580 025.
REP. BY ITS REGISTRAR.
3. VARADARAJA SCHOOL OF LAW
SHETTIHALLI OUTER RING ROAD,
JAYANAGARA SOUTH,
TUMAKURU - 572 102.
REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT. B. SUKANYA BALIGA, AGA FOR R1;
SMT. SARITHA KULKARNI, ADVOCATE FOR R2;
R3 - SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED)



THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO DIRECT THE RESPONDENT NO.2-KARNATAKA STATE LAW UNIVERSITY TO ISSUE ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATE AND APPROVE THE ADMISSION OF THE PETITIONER TO THE THREE YEAR LL.B COURSE FOR THE RELEVANT ACADEMIC YEAR; DIRECT THE RESPONDENTS TO PERMIT THE PETITIONER TO PURSUE THE THREE YEAR LL.B COURSE WITHOUT INSISTING UPON COMPLETION OF PUC; AND ETC.

THIS PETITION COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE E.S. INDIRESH

ORAL ORDER

In this petition, the petitioner is seeking direction to the respondent No.2-University to issue eligibility certificate and to approve the admission of the petitioner to three year LL.B Course for the relevant academic year; *inter alia* sought for direction to the respondents to permit the petitioner to pursue the three year LL.B Course without insisting upon completion of PUC by the petitioner.

2. Heard Sri. Uday Shankar M., learned counsel appearing for the petitioner; Smt. B. Sukanya Baliga, learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for respondent No.1-State; and Smt. Saritha Kulkarni, learned counsel appearing for the respondent No.2-University.



3. Smt. Saritha Kulkarni, learned counsel appearing for the respondent No.2-University opposed the petition by submitting that the petitioner had got certificate from ITI Course, which is not equivalent to 10+2 pattern (Pre-University Certificate) and also the petitioner has not taken up language as a subject in ITI Course. Accordingly, she sought for dismissal of the petition.

4. Having heard the learned counsel appearing for the parties and taking into consideration the law declared by this Court in case of **SHRI. SHAMASUNDAR vs. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA AND ANOTHER** made in *Writ Petition No.103653 of 2025* decided on *05th August, 2025*, the respondent No.2-University is directed issue eligibility certificate and to approve the admission of the petitioner to the three year LL.B Course. In the result, writ petition is **allowed**.

Sd/-
(E.S. INDIRESH)
JUDGE

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