



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK S.KINAGI

WRIT PETITION NO.177 OF 2026 (EDN-RES)

BETWEEN:

1. PRANAVA K.N.
S/O NARAYANA K S,
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,
R/AT 93/2, 1ST MAIN ROAD,
KEMPEGOWDA NAGARA,
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...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. PRANAVA K.N. – PETITIONER, PARTY-IN-PERSON)

AND:

1. THE KARNATAKA STATE LAW UNIVERSITY
REPRESENTED BY ITS
VICE CHANCELLOR,
NAVANAGAR,
HUBBALLI – 580025.
2. THE REGISTRAR
THE KARNATAKA STATE LAW UNIVERSITY,
NAVANAGAR,
HUBBALLI – 580025.
3. THE UNIVERSITY GRANT COMMISSION
REPRESENTED BY ITS





CHAIRPERSON,
BAHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG,
NEW DELHI – 110002.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT. SARITHA KULKARNI, ADVOCATE FOR R1 & R2;
SRI. H.R. SHOWRI, ADVOCATE FOR R3)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO DIRECT RESPONDENT NO.1 AND RESPONDENT NO.2 (HEREINAFTER COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS THE RESPONDENT UNIVERSITY) TO FORTHWITH CONSTITUTE A STUDENTS GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL COMMITTEE (SGRC) AT THE UNIVERSITY LEVEL IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE UGC (REDRESSAL OF GRIEVANCES OF STUDENTS) REGULATIONS, 2023; DIRECT THE RESPONDENT UNIVERSITY TO ISSUE NECESSARY DIRECTIONS TO ALL AFFILIATED COLLEGES AND INSTITUTIONS UNDER RESPONDENT NO.1 TO CONSTITUTE STUDENTS GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL COMMITTEES (SGRCS) IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SAID REGULATIONS; 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 ASHOK S.KINAGI



ORAL ORDER

1. The petitioner has filed this writ petition seeking a mandamus directing the respondent-University to (i) constitute a Students' Grievance Redressal Committee at the University Level in strict compliance with the *UGC (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023, etc.*; (ii) to direct the respondent University to issue necessary directions to all affiliated colleges, and institutions to constitute Students' Grievance Redressal Committee (iii) to direct the respondent University to appoint a duly qualified ombudsperson in terms of the said Regulations; and (iv) also sought a mandamus directing the respondent-University to provide and operationalise an online / virtual hearing facility before the Students' Grievance Redressal Committee and before the Ombudsman, and further direct respondent No.3 to issue an appropriate direction and take necessary regulatory measures to ensure



that such an online or virtual hearing facility is made available.

2. As far as relief Nos.(i) to (iii) are concerned that respondent No.2 has filed a memo stating that the University has constituted the Students' Grievance Redressal Committee at the College level and produced a copy of the notification.
3. Insofar as relief No.(iv) is concerned that the petitioner has submitted a representation at Annexure-B on 08.11.2025 to respondent No.1-University requesting an online hearing facility. The respondent-University has not passed any order on the said representation at Annexure-B.
4. Learned counsel for the respondent - University submits that if a reasonable time is granted, the University shall consider the representation of the petitioner at Annexure-B, and would pass an appropriate order, in accordance with law.



5. In view of the submissions made by the learned counsel for the respondent-University, nothing further survives for consideration in this writ petition.
6. Accordingly, the writ petition is ***disposed of*** as having rendered *infructuous*.
7. Respondent No.3 is directed to consider the representation vide Annexure-B and pass an appropriate order.
8. Respondent No.3 shall, before passing an order, provide an opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner, and thereafter pass an appropriate order, in accordance with law.
9. Pending application/s, if any, shall stand disposed of.

**Sd/-
(ASHOK S.KINAGI)
JUDGE**

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