



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
TUESDAY, THE TWENTY FIRST DAY OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY THREE

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAVI NATH TILHARI

WRIT PETITION NO: 7042 OF 2023

Between:

1. Rural Institute of Social And Economic Empowerment (RISE), Rep. by its Secretary, Sidda Hanumantha Rao Room No 1, Central Abode Valluru (Vill and PO) Tanguturu (MD), Prakasam District, A.P, PIN-523272
2. RISE Krishna Sai Prakasam Group of Institutions, Rep. by its Secretary, Sidda Hanumantha Rao NH - 5, Valluru - Ongole Prakasam Dt PIN-523 272 Andhra Pradesh
3. Sidda Hanumantha Rao,, S/o Venkata Rao, 7-5-82/3 Aishwarya Nagar, Anjaiah Nagar Near Datta Sai Paduka Vanam, Lawyer Peta, Ongole, Prakasam District.

Petitioners

AND

1. The University Grants Commission(UGC), Rep. by its Secretary, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.
2. The University Grants Commission (UGC),, Rep. by its Additional Secretary, Autonomous Wing, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi
3. Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Kakinada, (JNTUK), , Rep. by its Registrar, Kakinada, East Godavari District
4. The Union of India, Represented by its Secretary Ministry of Higher Education SanshadMarg, New Delhi.

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 Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus by directing and declaring the action of the respondents 1 and 2 in not granting Autonomous status to the petitioner institution including by not considering the application of the petitioner institution for grant of Autonomous status for the academic year 2022-23 as being arbitrary, illegal and unconstitutional and consequently direct the respondents 1 and 2 to grant autonomous status to the petitioner institution from academic year 2022-23 onwards .

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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 respondent 1 and 2 to forth with take steps to grant autonomous status to the petitioner institution which was forwarded to 1st respondent on 29.10.2022 and the reminder dated 01.03.2023, pending disposal of the writ petition before this Hon'ble court, Pending disposal of WP 7042 of 2023, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of Sri CHILUKURI NARENDRA BABU Advocate for the Petitioners and of Sri PASALA PUNNA RAO, Standing Counsel for the Respondent Nos. 1 and 2, Sri I MADHU BABU, Standing Counsel for Respondent No.3, Sri N HARINATH, Deputy Solicitor General of India, for Respondent No.4, the Court made the following.

ORDER

"Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are seeking direction to the respondent Nos.1 and 2 to grant autonomous status to the petitioner No.2 Institution namely, Rural Institute of Social & Economic Empowerment (RISE) Krishna Sai Prakasam Group of Institutions. 2. Sri Pasala Punna Rao, learned standing counsel for UGC for the respondent Nos.1 and 2, prays for and is granted four (04) weeks time to file the counter affidavit.

3. List on 18.04.2023.

4. In the meantime, the petitioners' application/representation to grant autonomous status to the petitioner No.2 shall be considered by the respondent No.2 as per law, if there is no legal impediment and the copy of the order so passed shall be filed along with the counter affidavit."

Sd/- S. SRINIVASA PRASAD
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Secretary, The University Grants Commission (UGC), Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.
2. The Additional Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC), Autonomous Wing, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi
3. The Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Kakinada, (JNTUK), Kakinada, East Godavari District.

4. The Secretary ,Ministry of Higher Education SanshadMarg, New Delhi, Union of India. (Addressess 1 to 4 by RPAD)
5. One CC to SRI. CHILUKURI NARENDRA BABU Advocate [OPUC]
6. One CC to SRI. PASALA PUNNA RAO ,Standing Counsel [OPUC]
7. One CC to SRI. I MADHU BABU, Standing Counsel [OPUC]
8. One CC to SRI. N HARINATH, Deputy Solicitor Genreal of India[OPUC]
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HIGH COURT

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DATED:21/03/2023

POST ON 18.04.2023

ORDER

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DIRECTION

