



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 3RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.T. NARENDRA PRASAD

WRIT PETITION NO. 24742 OF 2024 (S-RES)

BETWEEN:

SRI RANGANATH K H
S/O HANUMANTHARAYAPPA
AGED ABOUT 42 YEARS
KAMARAJANAHALLI, HULIKUNTE POST
KORATAGERE, TUMKUR DISTRICT-572129.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. VIJAYA KUMAR., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
SACHIVALAYA, M.S. BUILDING
BENGALURU-560001.
2. THE COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF COLLEGIATE EDUCATION
EDUCATION BHAVANA
PALACE ROAD, BENGALURU-560001.
3. THE REGIONAL OFFICE
OF COLLEGIATE EDUCATION
KALIDAS ROAD, BENGALURU-560009.
REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER.
4. THE SIDDAGANGA VIDYA SAMSTHE
SREE SIDDAGANGA MATH, TUMKUR-572104
REP. BY ITS SECRETARY.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI.G RAMESH NAIK, AGA FOR R1 TO R3:
R4 IS SERVED)

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by MALATHI
CHALUVA
IYENGAR
Location:
HIGH
COURT OF
KARNATAKA



THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLE 226 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO DIRECT THE RESPONDENTS TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY THE RESPONDENT NO.4 IN SO FAR AS SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF PETITIONER TO THE POST OF LIBRARIAN DATED 20.05.2014 VIDE ANNEXURE-K WITHIN THE TIME FRAME SPECIFIED BY THIS HONBLE COURT 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 H.T. NARENDRA PRASAD

ORAL ORDER

This writ petition is filed under Articles 226 & 227 of the Constitution of India, seeking the following reliefs:

"(i) Issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to consider the proposal submitted by the respondent No.4 in so far as selection and appointment of petitioner to the post of Librarian dated 20.05.2014 vide Annexure-K within the time frame specified by this Hon'ble Court.

(ii) Direct the respondent Authorities to issue appointment order for the post of Librarian to the petitioner against Backlog Vacancy, Scheduled Caste quota, and consider his representation dated 13.06.2019 and 1.7.2019 (vide Annexure Q & R) and grant all consequential benefits to which the petitioner is entitled to."



2. The case of the petitioner is that the fourth respondent-institution issued a notification dated 28.07.2013 (Annexure-G) calling for applications from eligible candidates to the post of Librarian, reserving one post for Scheduled Caste ("SC" for short) and one post for Scheduled Tribe ("ST" for short) candidates. The petitioner applied for the post of Librarian reserved for SC candidates. Along with other posts, the selection process was conducted in accordance with due process of law.

3. The Management has send a proposal for approval of the selected candidates to the Government, including the name of the petitioner, on 20.05.2014 (Annexure-K). Even though the petitioner's name was recommended on the ground that he is a meritorious candidate and that he satisfied all the conditions, including the qualifications prescribed by the University Grants Commission (UGC), while issuing the approval order dated 22.02.2019 (Annexure-P), the name of the petitioner was not included. Despite the recommendation made by the



Management, no reasons have been assigned in Annexure-P for the non-consideration of the petitioner's appointment to the post of Librarian. Therefore, the petitioner submitted representations vide Annexures Q and R. Since the same have not been considered by the respondents, the petitioner is before this Court.

4. Under these circumstances, it is suffice for this Court to direct respondent Nos. 1 to 3 to consider the representations submitted by the petitioner vide Annexures Q and R, in accordance with law, keeping in view the recommendation made by the Management, as expeditiously as possible, and in any event, not later than three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Sd/-
(H.T. NARENDRA PRASAD)
JUDGE

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LIST NO.: 1 SL NO.: 43