

K.R.Mangalam University

...PETITIONER

VS.

State of Haryana and others

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. J.S.Puri, Advocate,
and Ms. Anurag Jain, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Challenge in this writ petition is to the order dated 10.05.2018 (Annexure P-10) passed by the State Information Commission, Haryana, whereby the petitioner has been held to be a 'public authority' and has also been directed to provide the requisite information to respondent No. 3.

It is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner being a private University is not covered under the definition of the 'public authority' within the meaning of Section 2 (h) of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

This contention of the petitioner cannot be accepted in the light of the exhaustive judgments passed by this Court in CWP No. 1509 of 2013 titled as Chandigarh University, Villlage Gharuan vs. State of Punjab and others decided on 01.03.2013 (Annexure P-3), which has been followed by another Bench in CWP No. 24552 of 2013 titled as Amity University vs. State of Haryana and others decided on 12.04.2016 (Annexure P-4).

The issue with regard to the petitioner, therefore, being a public authority or not, under the provisions of the Right to Information Act being settled, the present writ petition, as preferred by the petitioner, deserves to be dismissed.

Ordered accordingly.

December 07, 2018

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**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No