

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. ALOK ARADHE
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE S. VISHWAJITH SHETTY

W.A. NO.900 OF 2022 (EDN-RES)

C/W

W.A. NO.889 OF 2022 (EDN-RES)

W.A. NO.901 OF 2022 (EDN-RES)

W.A. NO.902 OF 2022 (EDN-RES)

W.A. NO.903 OF 2022 (EDN-RES)

W.A. NO.904 OF 2022 (EDN-RES)

W.A. NO.905 OF 2022 (EDN-RES)

IN W.A. NO.900 OF 2022

BETWEEN:

KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
18th CROSS, SAMPIGE ROAD
MALJESHWARAM, BENGALURU 560012
REP BY ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

... APPELLANT

(BY MR. N.K. RAMESH., ADV.,)

AND:

1. KEERTHANA Y.H.
D/O HANUMANTHA REDDY, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT VAICHAKURAHALLI VILLAGE
RAMPURA GOWRIBIDANUR TALUK

CHIKKABALLAPURA DISTRICT 561210
KARNATAKA STATE.

2. VANDANA P
D/O Y.N. PRAKASH, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT VAICHAKURAHALLI VILLAGE RAMPURA
GOWRIBIDANUR TALUK
CHIKKABALLAPURA DISTRICT 561 210
KARNATAKA STATE.
3. DEEKSHITHA R
D/O RAMESHA R, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO. 2086, SANTHEMAIDANA
B.M ROAD, KOLAR, KOLAR DISTRICT 563 101
KARNATAKA STATE.
4. NEHANANDA A
D/O ANANDA N, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT DODDAKADTHUR
MALUR TALUK, KOLAR DISTRICT
KARNATAKA STATE.
5. YESHWANTH A
S/O AMARESH C K, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT TEKAL ROAD
NEAR NANDINI BAR AND RESTAURANT
CHOWESHWARI NAGAR
KOLAR DISTRICT 563101
KARNATAKA STATE
6. KAVANA R
D/O RAMACHANDRA REDDY, AGE 18 YEARS
R/O VARANASI VILLAGE, MUDUWADI POST
KOLAR TALUK AND DISTRICT 563 126
KARNATAKA STATE.
7. SHREYAS R. GOWDA
S/O RAVINDRA N, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT BEECHAGONDAHALLI
SANTHEKALLAHALLI POST
KOLAR TALUK AND DISTRICT 5563128
KARNATAKA STATE.
8. N. VASANTHGOWDA
S/O NAGABHUSHANA V, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO. 68, BOYLSONNENAHALLI
KOLAR DISTRICT 563 129
KARNATAKA STATE.

9. N.K. HITESH
S/O N H KUMAR, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO. 60 NISARGA
4th CROSS, 5th MAIN
J B KAVAL INDUSTRIAL AREA
SHANKAR NAGAR, BENGALURU
NORTH BENGALURU 560 096
KARNATAKA STATE.
10. M.B. GOURAV
S/O M. BYREGOWDA, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO. 30, A/2, 19th B MAIN
14th CROSS, 1st BLOCK
RAJAJINAGAR, BENGALURU
NORTH BENGALURU 560 010
KARNATAKA STATE.
11. MADANKUMAR N
S/O MAHADEVASWAMY, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO.195, YATHICH, JAI MARUTHI NAGAR
NANDINI LAYOUT, BENGALURU 560 096
KARNATAKA STATE.
12. KUMARASWAMY S
S/O NAGARAJA S, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO. 91, BENNHALLI
HARAPANAHALLI TALUK
DAVANAGERE DISTRICT 583127
KARNATAKA STATE.
13. VARSHA C
D/O CHIKKAKESHAVA MURTHY R, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO. 3356/3, WARD NO. 3
NEAR PRASHANTHI BALAMANDIRA
NORTH EXTENSION, CHIKKABALLAPURA 562 101
KARNATAKA STATE.
14. MANASWINI G
D/O GOPALAKRISHNA M, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT 1656, 16th MAIN
BANASHANKARI 1st STAGE
BENGALURU 560 050, KARNATAKA STATE.
15. SHRAVANI P
D/O PAPANNA G, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT 17th MAIN, BEHIND MARUTHI MANDIR
VIJYANAGAR, BENGALURU 560 040
KARNATAKA STATE.

16. ABHISHEK R
S/O RAJU H, AGED ABOUT 19 YEARS
R/AT 235, 4th MAIN, 4th CROSS
AVALAHALLI, BENGALURU 560 085
KARNATAKA STATE.
17. JAYANTHI M S
S/O SOMASHEKAR, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO. 81, 1st CROSS
BRINDAVANA LAYOUT, KENGERI
BENGALURU 560 060, KARNATAKA STATE.
18. SUHAS PAPANASHI
S/O NAGESH PAPANASHI, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT 310, 3rd FLOOR
SS SWADHAMA APARTMENTS
SMV LAYOUT, 5th BLOCK
ULLAL MAIN ROAD, KENGERI
BENGALURU 560 110, KARNATAKA STATE.
19. NIKITHA M
D/O MUNIVENKATAPPA M.C., AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT 20-21, 1st MAIN ROAD
6TH CROSS, MSR GREEN CITY LAYOUT
SEEGEHALLI, K.R. PURAM
BENGALURU 560 049, KARNATAKA STATE.
20. A.V. SAMANVITHA BHAT
D/O A. VIJAYAKUMAR
AGED ABOUT 19 YEARS
R/AT 746, 2nd MAIN E BLOCK
2nd STAGE, RAJAJINAGAR
BENGALURU 560 010, KARNATAKA STATE.
21. SUCHITHRA B
D/O BHYRAPPA T R, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT RAMASWAMY NILAYA
KUNDURU CROSS
OPP. SAGEEVINI NURSERY, BELAGUMBA
TUMKURU DISTRICT 572 101
KARNATAKA STATE.
22. HANSIKHA VENKATESH
D/O VENKATESH G, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT NO.3 1ST FLOOR, 1ST CROSS
ANJANEYA LAYOUT, THINDLU MAIN ROAD
VIDYARANYAPURA, BENGALURU-560097
KARNATAKA STATE.
23. MITHRAVINDRA B R

D/O RAMESH B M, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT BEKKALALE VILLAGE
KOPPA HOBLI, MADDUR TALUK
MANDYA DISTRICT-571425, KARNATAKA STATE.

24. ARCHANA A L
D/O ANJINAPPA, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT GUNDAMAGERE VILLAGE AND POST
DODDABALLAPUR TALUK
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT-560097
KARNATAKA STATE.
25. YAMUNA A M
D/O MANJUNAHTA D K, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT ALUR HIRIYUR
CHITRADURGA DISTRICT-577596
KARNATAKA STATE.
26. VYSHNAVI R
D/O RANGE GOWDA V, AGE 19 YEARS
CHINNAGENAHALI VILLAGE
GOWRIBIDANUR TALUK
CHITRADURGA DISTRICT-561211
KARNATAKA STATE.
27. MR. N.B. THANUSH
S/O MR. N. BALAJI, AGE 19 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.253, 4TH CROSS
5TH MAI GOKUL EXTENSION
DIVANARAPALYA, BANGALORE-560054
KARNATAKA STATE.
28. MR. HRISHIK L
S/O MR LAKSHMIKANTH L, AGE 19 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.1020
KUCHHAPPANAPETE, DODDABALLAPURA-561203
KARNATAKA STATE.
29. MS. ANANYA S. KAMBI
D/O MR. T.R. SATISH, AGE 19 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.107
8TH MAIN, 6TH PHASE, 1ST STAGE
MAHAGANAPATHI NAGAR, RAJAJINAGAR
BANGALORE-560010, KARNATAKA STATE.
30. MR. TEJAS M
S/O MR. S. MANJUNATH
AGED ABOUT 19 YEARS
RESIDING AT LAKSHMI NARASIMHASWAMI

NILAYA, BEHIND JR COLLEGE
 PARASHURAMAPURA, CHALLAKERE TALUK
 CHITRADURGA -577538, KARNATAKA STATE.

31. MR. SADASHIVASWAMI HIREMATH
 S/O MR. KUMARASWAMY, AGE 19 YEARS
 RESIDING AT BAGALAKOT MAIN ROAD
 WARD NO.2, VTC AMINAGAD PO
 AMINAGAD, HUNGUND SUB DISTRICT
 DISTRICT BAGALKOT-587112
 KARNATAKA STATE.
32. MR. CHINMAY G S
 S/O MR. SHIVAKUMAR G S, AGE 18 YEARS
 RESIDING AT NO.1726/11A 3RD MAIN
 3RD CROSS, NEAR SVS CONVENT
 NITTUVALLI, NEW EXTN
 DAVANAGERE-577004, KARNATAKA STATE.
33. MS. SANJANA B
 D/O MR. BETTASWAMY K N, AGE 19 YEARS
 RESIDING AT NO.239
 SRI RENUKA NILAYA
 9TH CROSS, NELAMAHESHWARI NAGAR
 T. DASARAHALLI, BANGALORE NORTH-560057
 KARNATAKA STATE.
34. MS. DISHITHA M R
 D/O MR. RANGASWAMY M R, AGE 18 YEARS
 R/AT. 1ST E CROSS, G M COTTAGE ROAD
 NELAGADRANAHALLI, GRUHALAKSHMI LAYOUT
 NAGASANDRA POST, BANGALORE-560073
 KARNATAKA STATE.
35. MS. YOSHITHA R
 D/O MR. RAVIRAGHU KUMAR, AGE 19 YEARS
 RESIDING AT NO.10, 1ST FLOOR, 2ND CROSS
 SRI LAKSHMI VENKATESHWARA NILAYA
 BTM LAYOUT, 1ST STAGE, OLD MADIWALA
 BANGALORE-560068, KARNATAKA STATE.
36. MR. NAVEEN BELLARY
 S/O MR. NAGARAJ BELLARY, AGE 19 YEARS
 RESIDING AT NO.303
 21ST MAIN, 17TH CROSS
 J P NAGAR, 5TH PHASE
 BANGALORE-560078, KARNATAKA STATE.
37. MS. IRSHITA SAANCHI

D/O MR. KRITISH SUVARNA AND MRS MANJULA
AGED ABOUT 19 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.2-55/7
SAIMON LANE HOLY HILL
KANAPATHAGGU MARDI
MANGALORE, DAKSHINA KANNADA-575005
KARNATAKA STATE.

38. MR. SINCHAN K N
D/O MR. NAGARAJ K V, AGE 18 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.3803
12TH CROSS, 2ND STAGE
KUMARASWAMY LAYOUT
BANGALORE-560078, KARNATAKA STATE.
39. MR. SUHAS S
S/O A. SRINIVASA, AGE 18 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.413
2/1 MAIN ROAD, 1ST BLOCK
RAMA KRISHNA NAGAR
MYSORE-570023, KARNATAKA STATE.
40. MS. SUPRIYA S
D/O A SRINIVASAM, AGE 18 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.413, 2/1 MAIN ROAD
1ST BLOCK, RAMA KRISHNA NAGAR
MYSORE-570023, KARNATAKA STATE.
41. MR. KUSHAL P V
S/O MR. VEERABHADRAPPA P M, AGE 19 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.72, MAIN ROAD
GOVINDAPPA STREET, WARD NO.13
HOLALKERE, CHITRADURGA-577526
KARNATAKA STATE.
42. MS. ANVITHA J. SHETTY
D/O MR. K. JYOTHIKUMAR SHETTY, AGE 18 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.503
SIRIHONEY APARTMENTS
6TH CROSS ROAD, KATRIGUPPE
BSK 3RD STAGE, BANGALORE-560085
KARNATAKA STATE.
43. MS. UMME UBES
D/O MR. MUSHTAQ AHAMED, AGE 19 YEARS
RESIDING AT MALEBENUR
HARIHAR TALUK, DAVANAGERE
KARNATAKA STATE.

44. MS. MEGHANA H M
D/O MR. H. MOHAN, AGE 18 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.2127
8TH MAIN D BLOCK
NEAR MANJUSHREEE MEDICALS
2ND STAGE, RAJAJINAGAR
BANGALORE-560010, KARNATAKA STATE.
45. ANEESH SANGAMESHWAR AINAPUR
S/O SANGAMESHWAR AINAPUR, AGE 18 YEARS
RESIDING AT SLNC, LAKSHMI KUTEERA
19TH CROSS, KASHIMATH ROAD
MALLESHWARAM, BENGALURU-560003
KARNATAKA STATE.
46. STATE OF KARNATAKA
DEPT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
VIKASA SOUDHA, BENGALURU-560001
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY.
47. DEPT OF PRE UNIVERSITY EDUCATION
M S BUILDING, BENGALURU-560001
REPRESENTED BY ITS DIRECTOR.
48. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY
HIGHER EDUCATION
ACS ESTABLISHMENT
2ND GATE, 6TH FLOOR
M S BUILDING, BENGALURU-560001.
49. ESHWAR
S/O RAMANATH GUPTA V.A., AGE 19 YEARS
R/O NANJUNDESHWARA
LIONS BHAVANA ROAD
SAI MADHUVANA LAYOUT
CHIKKAMAGALORE-577101
KCET NO.22UGEKN205.
50. GAGANA A.N.
D/O A.B. NINGAPPA, AGE 19 YEARS
R/O GAGANA NILAYA, RHB COLONY
8TH CROSS, MAHADEVAPURA
BANGALORE, KCET NO.22UGECT071.
51. DARSHAN M.B.
S/O BALAJI M.S., AGE 19 YEARS
R/O D. MALLIGERE, HOSAGAVI POST
KOPPA, MADDUR TQ, MANDYA DIST

KCET NO.22UGEVG190.

52. DHANUSHKA S. REDDY
D/O SRINIVASA REDDY C.N., AGE 19 YEARS
R/O. 11, KOMMAGHATTA
KENGARI HOBLI, BANGALORE
KCET NO.22UGECV120.
53. DURGESH GOWDA S.S.
S/O S.N. SAMPATH, AGE 19 YEARS
R/O VIVEKANANDANAGAR
BANGARPET, KOLAR
KCET NO.22UGERM459.
54. UJJWAL S.P.
S/O S.N. PRAKASH, AGE 19 YEARS
R/O 43, 2ND CROSS, MAYANNA LAYOUT
SRIKANTHPURA, NAGASANDRA POST
BANGALORE-560073
KCET NO.22UGEPW160.
55. PRATHIKSHA P
D/O PAPAMESH R, AGE 19 YEARS
R/O 1-B BLOCK
OFFICERS POLICE QUARTERS
ASHOKNAGAR, TUMKUR
KCET NO.22UGEYF251.
56. SRUSHTI S. SHANKAR
D/O S.M. SHIVASHANKAR, AGE 19 YEARS
R/O EVERSHINE APARTMENTS
15TH MAIN, BASAVESHWARNAGAR
WATER TANK ROAD, BANGALORE
KCET NO.22UGEAG262.
57. B.K. BHUVAN SAHUL REDDY
S/O B.S. KRISHNA REDDY, AGE 19 YEARS
R/O 43, 15TH CROSS
BHUVANESHWARINAGAR
DASARAHALLI, BANGALORE
KCET NO.UGAU054.
58. BHUVAN G. GOWDA
S/O GOPALA GOWDA, AGE 19 YEARS
R/O B.G. TILK NAGAR
CHANNARAYAPATTNA, HASSAN DIST
KCET NO.22UGEAX017.
59. SAHANA MAGI
D/O SANGAMESH, AGE 19 YEARS

R/O RAGHAVENDRA COLONY
NEAR HUNNUR WATER TANK JAMAKHANDI
BAGALKOTE
KCET NO.21 UGEFT258.

... RESPONDENTS

(BY MR. D.R. RAVISHANKAR, SR. COUNSEL FOR
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MR. SHARABIAH SHIVANNA, ADV., FOR R14 TO R21
MR. RAJENDRA A. KULKARNI, ADV., FOR R28 TO R45
MR. DHYAN CHINNAPPA, AAG A/W
MRS. SWETHA KRISHNAPP, AGA FOR R46 TO 48)

THIS WRIT APPEAL IS FILED U/S 4 OF THE KARNATAKA HIGH COURT ACT PRAYING TO SET ASIDE THE COMMON JUDGMENT DATED 3.9.2022 PASSED BY THE LEARNED SINGLE JUDGE IN W.P.NOS.15129/2022, 15545/2022, 15585/2022, 15586/2022, 15782/2022, 15788/2022, 16019/2022, 16417/2022 AND 16805/2022 AND DISMISS THE ABOVE WRIT PETITIONS IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY.

IN W.A. NO.889 OF 2022

BETWEEN:

THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (HIGHER)
VIKASA SOUDHA, BENGALURU 560 001.

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18TH CROSS ROAD, SAMPIGE ROAD
MALLESHWARAM, BENGALURU -560012
REP BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

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IN W.A. NO.901 OF 2022

BETWEEN:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY THE UNDER SECRETARY
DEPT OF EDUCATION
(PRE UNIVERSITY EDUCATION)
M.S. BUILDING, BENGALURU-560001.
2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPT
GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ACS ESTABLISHMENT, 2ND GATE
6TH FLOOR, M.S. BUILDING, BANGALORE-560001.

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KENGRI, BENGALURU-560 060.
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560 110.
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D/O A. VIJAYKUMAR, AGE 19 YEARS
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BENGALURU-560 010.
8. KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REP. BY THE SECRETARY
8TH CROSS ROAD, SAMPIGE ROAD
MALLESHWARAM, BENGALURU-560012.

... RESPONDENTS

(BY MR. SHATHABISH SHIVANNA, ADV., FOR C/R1 TO R7
MR. N.K. RAMESH, ADV., R8)

THIS WRIT APPEAL IS FILED U/S 4 OF THE KARNATAKA HIGH
COURT ACT PRAYING TO ALLOW THIS WRIT APPEAL AND SET ASIDE THE
ORDER DATED 03/09/2022 PASSED BY THE LEARNED SINGLE JUDGE
OF THIS HON BLE COURT IN WP NO.15545/2022, C/W WP NO.15585/22,

C/W WP NO.15586/22, C/W WP NO.15782/22, C/W WP NO.15788/22
C/W WP NO.16019/22 AND CONSEQUENTLY DISMISS THE WRIT
PETITIONS.

IN W.A. NO.902 OF 2022

BETWEEN:

THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY THE SECRETARY
DEPT OF EDUCATION (HIGHER)
VIKASA SOUDHA, BENGALURU-560001.

... APPELLANT

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DISTRICT-572 101.
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BENGALURU-560 097.
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18TH CROSS ROAD, SAMPIGE ROAD
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PETITIONS.

IN W.A. NO.903 OF 2022

BETWEEN:

THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY THE SECRETARY
DEPT OF EDUCATION (HIGHER)
VIKASA SOUDHA, BENGALURU-560001.

... APPELLANT

(BY MR. DHYAN CHINNAPPA, AAG A/W
MRS. SWETHA KRISHNAPPA, AGA)

AND:

1. MITHRAVINDA B R
D/O RAMESH B.M. AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT BEKKALALE VILLAGE, KOPPA HOBLI
MADDUR TALUK, MANDYA DISTRICT-571 425.
2. ARCHANA A.L.
D/O ANJINAPPA, AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT GUNDAMAGERE VILLAGE AND POST DODDABALLAPUR
TALUK
BANGALORE RURAL DISTRICT-560097.
3. YAMUNA A.M.
D/O MANJUNATHA D.K. AGE 19 YEARS
R/AT ALUR, HIRIYUR, CHITRADURGA DISTRICT.
4. VYSHNAVI R
D/O RANGE GOWDA V, AGE 19 YEARS CHINNAGENAHALLI
VILLAGE
GOWRIBIDANUR TALUK
CHITRADURGA DISTRICT-561 211.
5. THE KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
18TH CROSS ROAD, SAMPIGE ROAD
MALLESHWARAM, BENGALURU-560012
REP. BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

... RESPONDENTS

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THIS WRIT APPEAL IS FILED U/S 4 OF THE KARNATAKA HIGH COURT ACT PRAYING TO ALLOW THIS WRIT APPEAL AND SET ASIDE THE ORDER DATED 03/09/2022 PASSED BY THE LEARNED SINGLE JUDGE OF THIS HON BLE COURT IN WP NO.15545/2022, C/W WP NO.15585/22, C/W WP NO.15586/22, C/W WP NO.15782/22, C/W WP NO.15788/22

C/W WP NO.16019/22 AND CONSEQUENTLY DISMISS THE WRIT PETITIONS.

IN W.A. NO.904 OF 2022

BETWEEN:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY THE UNDER SECRETARY
DEPT OF EDUCATION
(PRE UNIVERSITY EDUCATION)
M.S. BUILDING, BENGALURU-560001.
 2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPT
GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ACS ESTABLISHMENT, 2ND GATE
6TH FLOOR, M.S. BUILDING, BANGALORE-560001.
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CHITRADURGA-577 526.
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NEAR MANJUSHREE MEDICALS, 2ND STAGE RAJAJINAGAR,
BANGALORE-560 010.
19. KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REP. BY THE SECRETARY
8TH CROSS ROAD, SAMPIGE ROAD
MALLESHWARAM, BENGALURU-560012.

... RESPONDENTS

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IN W.A. NO.905 OF 2022

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S/O SANGAMESWARA AINAPURA, AGE 18 YEARS
R/AT SLNC LAKSHMI KUTTEERA, 19TH CROSS
KASHMMIATH ROAD, MALLESHWARAM BANGALORE.
 2. KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REP. BY THE SECRETARY
8TH CROSS ROAD, SAMPIGE ROAD
MALLESHWARAM, BENGALURU-560012.
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THESE WRIT APPEALS COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING, THIS DAY, **ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE** DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

JUDGMENT**IN W.A.No.900/2022**

Sri N.K. Ramesh, learned Counsel for the appellant, Sri D.R.Ravishankar, learned Senior Counsel for respondent nos.1 to 3 & 22 to 27, Sri Sharabiah Shivanna, learned Counsel for respondent nos.14 to 21, Sri Rajendra A.Kulkarni, learned Counsel for respondent nos.28 to 45, Sri Dhyan Chinnappa, learned Additional Advocate General a/w Smt. Swetha Krishnappa, learned AGA for respondent nos. for respondent nos.46 to 48.

In W.A. NO.889/2022

Sri. Dhyan Chinnappa, learned Additional Advocate General a/w Smt. Swetha Krishnapp, learned AGA for the appellants, Sri. D.R. Ravishankar, learned Senior Counsel for Sri. Shivakumar, learned counsel for respondent nos.1 to 13 and 23 to 28, Sri.

N.K. Ramesh, learned counsel for respondent no.4, Sri. Sharabiah Shivanna, learned counsel for respondent nos.15 to 22, Sri. Rajendra B. Kulkarni, learned Counsel for respondent nos. 29 to 46.

After hearing learned counsel, Office Objections are ignored.

These intra-court appeals are filed against the order dated 3 September 2021 passed by learned single judge in WP number 155545 of 22 and other connected write petitions paragraph we have heard the learn it counsel for the parties at length. During the pendency of this appeal, the state of Karnataka vide order No.ED 278 TEC 2022 has constituted an expert committee on 20.09.2022 to examine the possibility of drawing a methodology in calculating the qualifying examination marks of II PUC batch 2021 for the UGCET academic year 2022–2023. The aforesaid committee constituted of following members:

1. Dr.B.Thimme Gowda, Vice Chairman, Karnataka State Higher Education Council, Bangalore.
2. Prof. S.A.Kori, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Andhra Pradesh, Ananthapura, Andhra Pradesh.
3. Shri N.Ravichandran, Director - Technical Education Bangalore.
4. Prof.M.R.N.Murthy, Retired Dean, Indian Institute of Science Bangalore, Bangalore.
5. Prof. N.Yathindra, Professor Emeritus, Institute of Bio Informatics and Applied Biotechnology, Bangalore.

2. The committee was also aided by Dr.Ayachith N., Professor Emeritus, VTU, Prof. Suresh Chandra K, Retired Professor of Statistics, University of Madras and Dr.Jagadeesh R., Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Government of First Grade College, Ramanagar.

3. The Committee after thorough examination of the issue for assigning CET Rankings, has proposed two methods. The committee has examined the methods of calculating the qualifying examination marks of II PUC batch and has recommended the second method. The relevant extract reads as under:

After normalisation, using the basis of 50% of CET marks, for determining the ranks for the covid batch students may improve their ranking and this may affect the ranking of post covid batch of students to some extent. Therefore, to safeguard the interest of post covid batch students also, seats in IT related branches in colleges as per previous years preferred selection of seats may be increased by 10%.

4. During the course of hearing, a consensus has been evolved amongst the learned counsel for the parties in respect of second method for evaluation of the marks of II PUC batch 2021 for the UGCET

academic year 2022–2023 be made the basis for assigning CET rankings to the students. It is therefore directed that aforesaid second method shall be made the basis for assigning CET rankings and the State Government shall issue a notification accordingly. It is clarified that the qualifying marks secured in the examination of II PUC batch 2021 for the UGCET academic year 2022–2023 shall be calculated only for the limited purpose of assigning the CET ranking and shall have no further effect.

Accordingly, these appeals are disposed of.

**Sd/-
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE**

**Sd/-
JUDGE**