

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

SUO MOTU WRIT PETITION NO. 1 OF 2011

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Versus
STATE OF GOA

... Petitioner
... Respondents

Ms. A. A. Agni, Advocate for the Goa University.

Coram:- S. C. DHARMADHIKARI &
F. M. REIS, JJ.

Date:- 1st April, 2011

P.C.:-

The request from a visually challenged student, made through her father by a letter addressed to one of us (S.C. Dharmadhikari, J.) was treated as a Suo Motu Writ Petition. The student of Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics, Margao is going to appear for her Third Year B.Com. VI Semester Examination in April, 2011.

2. She has been certified as a Visually Challenged Student, having disability of 75%. As there was some ambiguity as to whether she would be provided with a Writer, as well as extra time, this letter was treated as a Suo Motu Writ Petition. The Examinations are to commence from 6th April, 2011 and, therefore, we thought it fit to place it out of turn for admission.

3. Pursuant to our order passed yesterday, we are happy to note that the Goa University has accepted the request of the Visually Challenged Student and Mrs. Agni appearing on behalf of the Goa University makes a statement, on instructions, that for the Major III subjects, namely, Auditing, Entrepreneurship Management; Industrial

Management; and Business Economics, the request of the Student to grant her 50% of the allotted time as extra time is accepted. In other words, for each of the subjects under this head she will be provided this extra time.

4. As far as subjects Major I - Advanced Accounting, Major II-Income Tax, Service Tax, Goa Value Added Tax Paper - I, the Student has requested for extra time, as well as a Writer. Both these facilities will be granted to her for each subject under these heads as stated by Mrs. Agni today, on instructions.

5. The father of the girl Student is present in the Court and he states that since both the requests have been granted by the Goa University, the Writ Petition may be disposed of in the light of these statements.

6. Accordingly, accepting these statements of Mrs. Agni made on instructions, as undertakings to this Court, we dispose of the Writ Petition.

We appreciate the efforts taken by Mrs. Agni to assist the Visually Challenged Student.

S. C. DHARMADHIKARI, J.

F. M. REIS, J.

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