

In the High Court of Bombay at Goa**IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA
WRIT PETITION NO. 331 OF 2002**

1. The Executive Students Council,
an elected body of representatives
of the students of the College
of Architecture, Campal,
Goa, through its
Chairman, Shri Jerry Cherian,
resident of Vasco da Gama.
2. Shri Rohit Nadkarni,
General Secretary,
r/o Bicholim.
3. Shri Anthony Menezes,
Cultural Secretary,
r/o Vasco da Gama.
4. Shri Suraj Gaonkar,
Magazine Secretary,
r/o Panaji.
5. Shri Swapnil Sawant,
University Representative,
r/o Sanquelim.
6. Shri Rehman Neroo,
Sports Secretary,
r/o Panjim.
7. Shri Pallavi Ghatte,
NASA Secretary,
r/o Ponda.
and the Class
Representatives, namely
8. Shri Keegan Fernandes,
r/o St. Cruz, Ilhas Goa,
9. Shri Reagan George,
r/o Margao
10. Shri Swapnil Sawant,
r/o Sanquelim.
11. Shri Sumedh Naik,
r/o Pemem
12. Shri Rajnish Vatsa,
r/o Taleigao. Petitioners

Versus

1. Government of Goa through
its Chief Secretary,
Secretariat, Panaji

2. Directorate of Technical Education through its Director, Porvorim
3. The Principal, Goa College of Architecture, Campal, Panaji
4. The Council of Architecture through its President, India Habitat Centre, Core 6A, 1st Floor, Lodhi Road, New Delhi
5. All India Council for Technical Education through its Chairman, New Delhi
6. The Goa University through its Vice Chancellor, Bambolim, Goa

..... Respondents

Mr. Valmiki Menezes, Advocate for the Petitioners.

Mr. A.N.S. Nadkarni, Advocate General with Mr. P.A. Kamat, Addl. Govt. Advocate for the Respondents 1 to 3.

Mr. V.P. Thali, Senior Central Govt. Standing Counsel for the Respondents 4 and 5.

Mrs. A.A. Agni, Advocate for the Respondent No.6

Coram : T.K. Chandrashekhara Das &
P.V. Kakade, JJ.

Date : 4th October, 2000

ORAL ORDER(Per Chandrashekhara Das, J.)

Heard counsel for the petitioners and learned Advocate General.

2. The main grievance highlighted in the Writ Petition by the Executive Students Council of the College of Architecture is that by the Notification dated 15th September 2000, Exhibit 'A' to the petition, issued by the Government of Goa, Director of Technical Education, the minimum marks required to be obtained by a student for getting admission in the College of Architecture in the aggregate of Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics taken together was reduced to 50% from 60%. The apprehension of the petitioners is that by lowering the minimum marks for admission, the standard of education will be impaired and consequently there is every likelihood that the Council of Architecture may derecognize the degree that is being conferred by University of Goa. Several other grounds have been taken in the Writ Petition. We are not concerned about those grounds. The letter written by the Council of Architecture dated 27th September 2000, which is taken on record, shows that the minimum marks for admission in the aforesaid subjects is 50%. In view of this, the apprehension of the petitioners has no foundation. In the circumstances, no order is required to be passed in the Writ Petition. The Writ Petition is, therefore, dismissed.

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