

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s).7130/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 22-10-2024 in WAMD No.1488/2018 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras at Madurai]

THE MADURAI KAMARAJ UNIVERSITY & ANR.

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

A.R. NAGARAJAN & ANR.

RESPONDENT(S)

FOR ADMISSION

Date : 13-01-2026 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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Upon hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Learned counsel for the parties are directed to file affidavit indicating as to whether the petitioner University was receiving any funds either from the University Grants Commission (UGC) or from the State/Central Government and, in the absence thereof, whether the directions issued by this Court in *Praneeth K. v. University Grants Commission*¹ would be applicable.
2. Further, the parties shall state as to whether the guidelines issued by the University Grants Commission (UGC) are mandatory or merely directory in nature, as also binding on the petitioner University.
3. Let needful be done within a period of ten days.
4. List on 28.01.2026.

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