

IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH,
SHIMLA.

CWP No. 8151 of 2011

Decided on: 30th September, 2011.

Priti.

...Petitioner.

Versus

H.P. University & anr.

...Respondents.

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The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Kurian Joseph, Chief Justice.

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice V.K. Ahuja, Judge.

For the petitioner : Mr. Sanjeev Bhushan, Advocate.

For the Respondents: Mr. B.C. Negi, Advocate.

Justice Kurian Joseph, C.J. (Oral)

The petitioner is applicant for registration to Ph.D. in Zoology. The applications were invited in the year 2010. According to the petitioner, since she had qualified the State Level Eligibility Test (SLET) and as per the UGC Regulations, she is not to undergo any other entrance examination for the purpose of registration to Ph.D.

2. Learned standing counsel for the University submits that the UGC Regulations have not yet become the part of the University Ordinance and the process is still going on.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in respect of the steps for the year 2010, there are still vacancies in respect of the sanctioned strength of Ph.D.

students in Zoology. In case, there are still vacancies available, the Vice Chancellor has got sufficient power to relax the conditions in the interest of justice and equity. Still further, it is pointed out that there are such instances in the University itself and one such instance is the notification dated 14th July, 2010. Be that as it may. In case there are vacancies in respect of 2010 batch for registration in Ph.D. Zoology and in view of the UGC Regulations and in view of the amendment already proposed by the University, we are of the view that it is only in the interest of justice and equity that the Vice Chancellor exercises his power as provided under the Ordinance in terms of equity and justice.

4. The needful in the light of the observations, as above, shall be done by the Vice Chancellor, H.P. University within two weeks from the date of production of a copy of this judgment alongwith a copy of the writ petition by the petitioner before the Vice Chancellor.

5. The writ petition is disposed of, so also the pending applications, if any.

Authenticated copy to the parties.

(Justice Kurian Joseph),
Chief Justice

30th September, 2011.
(tr)

(Justice V.K. Ahuja),
Judge.

