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FRC 50/15/LAW/BNAPAALSAR

PRESENT:

Hon'ble Justice J.M. James

- Chairman FRC

Re: *Interim regulation of tuition fee and other fees for BBA LLB (Hons) 5 year Course from 2013-14 and subsequent years- Order issued on 04.05.2016.*

INTERIM ORDER

Bhavans N A Palkhivala Academy for advanced legal studies and research, in short the Law school, has started, among other courses, BBA LLB (Hons) 5 year Integrated Course, in the year 2013.

When it approached the Fee Regulatory Committee [FRC], through the minute dated 05.09.2013 (FRC 222/2013/LLB dated 05.09.2013) permitted it to start the course by collecting an amount of Rs. 43,000/- from the candidates for the 1st year of the BBA LLB (Hons).

Thereafter, as per the decision of the committee, an inspection was conducted by the Government Agency and the

report was submitted. Owing to various technical reasons, the fee for the remaining period of the course was not fixed.

The service of the CA, Member of the FRC, is not at present available to the Committee, due to his personal reasons. This situation was discussed by FRC in its meeting dated 30.04.2016 and alternative steps are being thought of. Hence, the Committee could not appreciate the facts made available by the Law School and come to a conclusion, regulating the fees to be paid by the admitted candidates for the Law Course.

Today Mr. P. Parameswaran, Honorary Secretary and Director as well as Mr. V.M Premnath, Joint Secretary of the Law School appeared before the Chairman and submitted that no fees has been collected from any student of the BBA LLB Course, except Rs. 43,000/- collected at the time of admission. They, therefore, requested that the institute is running in to financial difficulties and the collection of fees from the students is an urgent necessity.

As the Chartered Accountant is not available, the committee finds it difficult to pass a final order. At the same time, it is also necessary to protect the interest of the Law School, as they are running the school without collecting any fees after the admission of the Law students for want of order from the fee regulatory authority.

In order to tide over the present hard and difficult financial situation of the Law School, it is only appropriate to pass an interim order as follows:-

- 1.The Law School is permitted to collect Rs. 23,000/- per semester, as tuition fee and Rs. 7,000/- per semester, as other fees (total Rs. 30,000/- per semester), starting from the Academic year 2013-14. Rs. 43,000/- already paid by each admitted candidate (i.e, Rs. 42,000/-, tuition fee & other fees and Rs.1, 000/-, as admission fee) shall be adjusted towards the 1st semester and for the successive semester(s).
- 2.The above fee structure shall also be made applicable to all the subsequent batch of students commencing from 2014-15 and 2015-16 of BBA LLB (Hons) 5 year Course.
- 3.Basing on the Income and Expenditure statements submitted by the Law School, a final order will be passed by the FRC, on fully regulating the tuition and other fees to be paid by the students for the BBA LLB (Hons) 5 year Course.
- 4.The subsequent orders of the FRC that would be passed shall be binding on the students as well as the Law School.
- 5.This order shall supercede the earlier FRC orders dated 05.09.2013 and 02.09.2014.
- 6.This interim fee regulation order shall remain in force until modified by the FRC.

Email this order to the Principal of Bhavans N A Palkhivala Academy for Advanced Legal Studies and Research, Ramanattukara, for implementation.

Dated on this the 4th day of May 2016

Sd/-
CHAIRMAN