

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGSWrit Petition(s) (Civil) No(s). 70/2021

TAMANNA CHANDAN CHACHLANI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

BAR COUNCIL OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 68701/2025 - AMENDMENT OF THE PETITION
IA No. 6836/2021 - EX-PARTE STAY)

WITH

W.P.(C) No. 171/2021 (X)
(IA No. 18184/2021 - STAY APPLICATION)

Date : 29-04-2025 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANT
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGHFor Petitioner(s) : Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, Sr. Adv.
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

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1. It is stated by Mr. Vivek Tankha, learned senior counsel appearing for the Bar Council of India, that pursuant to order dated 11.02.2025, meetings of all the stakeholders were convened and as per the opinion expressed therein, a committee of experts is being constituted to consider the issue of equivalence and other connected matters.

2. On consideration of the issue involved herein and other allied issues with respect to the scope of powers of the Bar Council of India to regulate the academic affairs of the Law Universities/Schools/ Institutes, we would like to have the opinion of the Union of India and the University Grants Commission. We, therefore, request the Attorney General for India to assist the Court in the matter on the next date of hearing. We also direct the University Grants Commission to file a comprehensive counter affidavit, expressing its specific stand on the powers of the Bar Council of India to control and regulate legal education.

3. IA No. 68701/2025 (application for amendment of the petition) is allowed. Let the respondents file their respective counter affidavits in the amended writ petition within four weeks.

4. List on 29.07.2025 (NMD).

(NITIN TALREJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI T.C.)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR