

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO.8585 OF 2017

Indian Law Society, through its
Secretary and Anr. ..Petitioners

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra, through its
Secretary & Ors. ..Respondents

Mr. Y. S. Jahagirdar, Senior Counsel i/b Mr. Shailendra S. Kanetkar for the
Petitioners.

Mr. C.P. Yadav, AGP for the Respondent Nos.1 and 2.

Mr. Amit Sale for the Respondent No.5.

**CORAM: B. R. GAVAI AND
RIYAZ I. CHAGLA, JJ.**

DATE: 28th JULY 2017

P.C.:

1. Issue notice to the Respondent Nos.3 and 4 returnable on 11/8/2017. Learned AGP waives service of notice for Respondent Nos.1 and 2 and Mr. Amil Sale, learned counsel waives service of notice for the Respondent No.5.

2. Heard Mr. Y. S. Jahagirdar, learned Senior counsel appearing for the Petitioners and Mr.C.P. Yadav, learned AGP for Respondent Nos.1 and 2 and Mr. Amil Sale, learned counsel for the Respondent No.5.

3. Hamdast is granted for service of notice on Respondent Nos.3 and 4.

4. It is not in dispute that the Respondent No.5 which is an Apex

body insofar as legal education is concerned has sanctioned intake capacity of 240 students for 5 years law course and 180 students for 3 years law course.

5. We are prima facie of the view that the State could not reduce the intake capacity of the students contrary to what has been sanctioned by the Bar Council of India.

6. In that view of the matter, though the learned AGP vehemently opposed the application for ad-interim relief, we are inclined to grant ad-interim relief in terms of prayer clause (g).

7. Parties to act on an authenticated copy of this order.

8. We request the learned AGP to communicate this order to Respondent No.3 by telephone/fax/e-mail.

(RIYAZ I. CHAGLA, J.)

(B. R. GAVAI, J.)

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