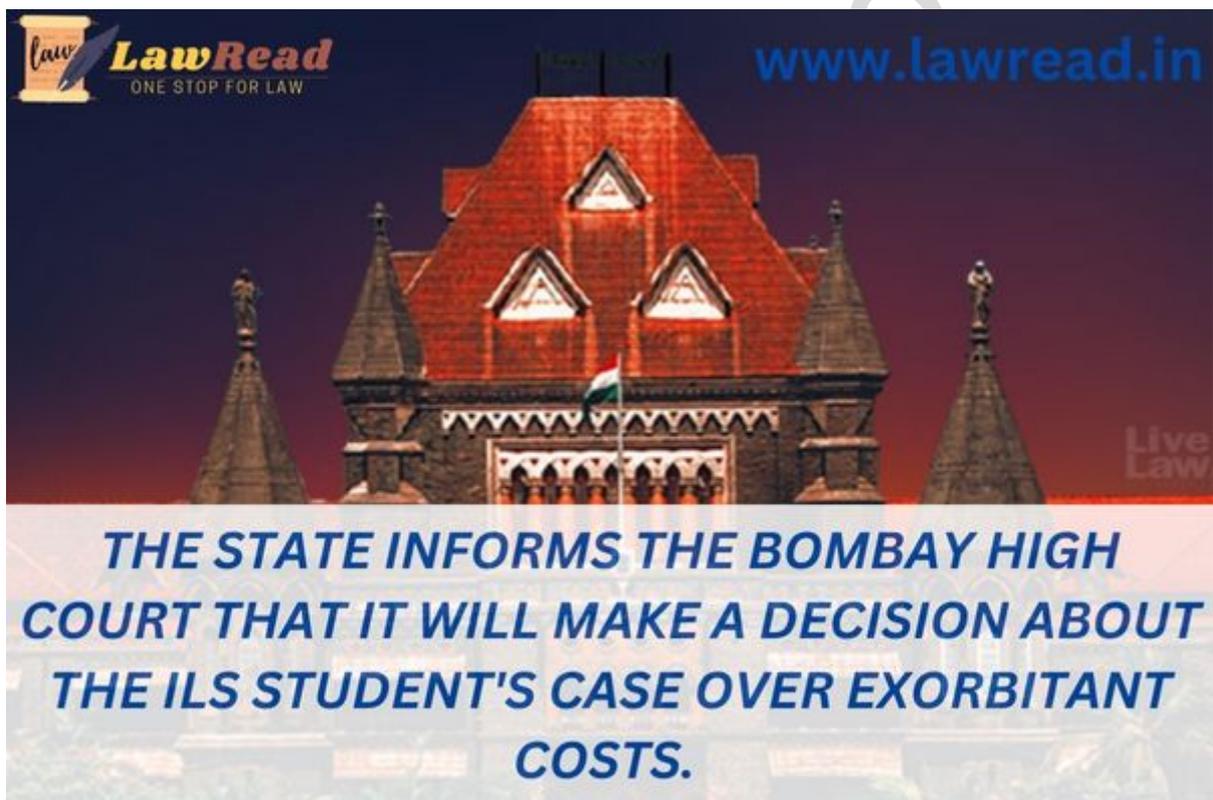


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The state informs the Bombay High Court that it will make a decision about the ILS student's case over exorbitant costs.



Underutilized money obtained from student fees for facilities that were also being rented out for third-party usage were discovered in an RTI response.

A student at ILS Law College in Pune filed a writ suit, which the Bombay High Court recently decided. The student claimed that the administration was collecting excessive fees and using insufficient finances [Mayur Suhas Garud v. The Principal, The ILS Law College And Ors].

The student requested a reimbursement of ₹1,04,863 in fees that were received throughout the 2020–21, 2021–22, and 2024–25 academic years.

Reena A. Salunkhe, an additional government pleader, informed the court that the State would make a decision about the student's complaint and notify them of it within a week.

Advocates Shailendra Kanetkar and Shubham Suryawanshi, who were representing ILS Law College, said that the student had only been given a show-cause notice for protesting against the College and that no further action had been taken against him.

In deciding the case, a bench of Justices RI Chagla and Advait M. Sethna accepted arguments presented by the State and the College.

A show-cause notice was later issued by the administration to the petitioner in 2025 after a Right to Information (RTI) response exposed underutilized revenues obtained from student fees for facilities that were also being rented out for third-party use.

According to the student, Savitribai Phule Pune University, which is the organization that ILS works under, set the law college tuition at ₹2,345 in 2020 and 2024 under 19 authorized headings. ILS allegedly violated the Maharashtra Educational Institutions (Prohibition of Capitation Fee) Act, 1987 by collecting ₹39,135 per student under 17 additional unauthorized headings.

According to the RTI answer, throughout the previous five academic years, ILS had earned ₹29,64,37,402 under unauthorized headings. After protesting that just ₹4,09,19,990.95 had been used for student welfare, the administration sent the student a show-cause notice.