

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)**

**MONDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

:PRESENT:

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE R RAGHUNANDAN RAO
AND**

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE T.C.D.SEKHAR
WRIT PETITION NO: 980 OF 2026**

Between:

G. Lalitha Kumari, W/o M. Jangam Reddy, Aged 47 years, working as Junior Assistant, Pulivendula, Principal District MuniSif Court, R/o Flat No.102, Rathana Rayadu Apartments Kadapa.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Secretary, Law Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District. 522237
2. High Court of Andhra Pradesh Amaravati, Rep. by its Registrar (Administration), High Court Buildings, Nelapadu, Amaravati-522 239, Guntur District
3. The Principal District Judge cum Disciplinary Authority, District Court Complex, Near APSRTC Bus stand Maruthi Nagar, Kadapa-516001, Kadapa District.

Respondents

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in continuing the disciplinary proceedings after a lapse of 16 years by issuing Cause Notice Dt. 17.12.2025 afresh as illegal, arbitrary and violative of Articles 14, 16 and 21 of the Constitution of India and a Show

consequently quash the disciplinary proceedings and grant all consequential benefits.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the Show Cause Notice Dt. 17.12.2025 issued by the 3rd respondent, Pending disposal of WP 980 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and the order of the High Court order dated 19.01.2026 & 16.02.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri Manoj Kumar Bethapudi, Advocate for the Petitioner, GP for Services I for respondent No.1, the Court made the following;

ORDER:

The learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents seeks time to file a counter-affidavit.

Post on 20.04.2026.

Interim direction granted earlier shall stand extended till 27.04.2026

Sd/-U.SRIDEVI
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

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HIGH COURT

RRR,J &
TCDS,J

DATED: 09.03.2026

Post on 20.04.2026.

ORDER

WP.No.980 of 2026

INTERIM ORDER EXTENDED

