



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

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MONDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

WRIT PETITION NO: 3485/2019

Between:

1. D JEEVITHA, D/O D.KRISHNANNJENEYAREDDY, AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS, OCC ASSISTANT PLACEMENT OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES, R/O IIIT, R.K. VALLEY (IDUPULAPAYA CAMPUS), VEMPALLI VILLAGE AND MANDAL,, YSR, KADAPA DISTRICT, A.P.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, HIGHER (TECHNICAL) EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, INTERIM SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, A.P.

2. THE RAJIVE GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF KNOWLEDGE, TECHNOLOGIES (RGUKT-A.P.), REP. BY ITS REGISTRAR, FLAT NO.202, 2ND FLOOR, NRI BLOCK (C), MAHENDRA ENCLAVE, TADEPALLI (V), TADEPAL IIIVANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT, A.P.

3. THE RAJIVE GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF KNOWLEDGE, , TECHNOLOGIES (RGUKT-A.P.), REP. BY ITS REGISTRAR/DIRECTOR, R.K. VALLEY (IDUPULAPAYA CAMPUS), VEMPALLI VILLAGE AND MANDAL, YSR, KADAPA DISTRICT, A.P.

4. THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, THE RAJIVE GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF KNOWLEDGE, TECHNOLOGIES (RGUKT-A.P.), R.K. VALLEY (IDUPULAPAYA CAMPUS), VEMPALLI VILLAGE AND MANDAL, YSR, KADAPA DISTRICT, A.P.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, 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 respondent Nos. 2 to 4 with an intent to terminate the services of the petitioner by again subjecting to attend written test and interview for renewal of contract of service as Assistant Placement Officer, Academic Assistant/Assistant Professor, Guest Faculty, with mala fide intention to appoint own people again on contract basis by replacing the petitioner on contractual teaching faculty in Humanities, Social science department in so far as HIT RK Vallydupalapaya pursuant to Notification in Ref.RGUKT-A.P. Estt-Contract Faculty Recruitment 2019, dated 13.02.2019 is illegal, arbitrary, unjust, and violative of Articles 14, 16, 21 and 309 of the Constitution of India and contrary to UGC Regulations and also contrary to the doctrine of promissory estoppel and legitimate expectation and consequently set aside the same by direct the respondents to retain and continue the petitioner services as Assistant Placement Officer, Academic Assistant/Assistant Professor, Guest Faculty by suspending operation of 2019 appointment of contractual teaching faculty of Humanities, social science department dated 13.02.2019 in so far as HIT RK Vallydupalapaya pursuant to Notification in Ref.RGUKT-A.P. Estt-Contract Faculty Recruitment 2019, dated 13.02.2019 issued by the 2nd respondent and to pass

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the respondents no 2 to 4 to retain and continue the petitioner services as Assistant Placement Officer, Academic Assistant/Assistant Professor, Guest Faculty by suspending the operation of 2019 appointment of contractual teaching faculty of Humanities, Social sciences department dated 13.02.2019 in so far as HIT RK Vallydupalapaya pursuant to Notification Ref.RGUKT-A.P. Estt-Contract Faculty Recruitment 2019, dated 13.02.2019 issued by the 2nd respondent, pending disposal of the writ petition and to pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. TATA SINGAIAH GOUD

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR EDUCATION (AP)

2.SIVA KUMAR M (SC FOR RGUKT)

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The Court made the following:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND**WRIT PETITION No.3485 of 2019****ORDER: -**

Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that this writ petitioner filed against the notification issued by the 2nd respondent in reference RGUKT-A.P. Estt-Contract Faculty Recruitment 2019, dated 13.02.2019 as illegal, arbitrary, unjust and violative of Article 14, 16, 21 and 309 of the Constitution of India and for a consequential direction to the respondents to retain and continue the petitioner services as Assistant Placement Officer by suspending the operation of 2019 appointment of contractual teaching faculty pursuant to the said notification.

2. During the course of hearing, learned counsel for the respondents has placed a copy of the circular dated 14.06.2019, issued by the 2nd respondent would submit that the notification issued on 13.02.2019 for the Recruitment of Teaching Faculty positions in RGUKT constituent institutes on contract basis for the year 2019-20 was withheld due to administrative reasons. Thereafter, they issued fresh notifications.

3. In view of the same, he would submit that as the notification is already under challenge and withheld by the respondents, nothing survives for adjudication in this writ petition.

4. This Court finds sufficient force in the contention of the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents, as already the notice, which is under challenge was withheld by the respondents by circular dated 14.06.2019, in our considered view, nothing survives in this writ petition for adjudication.

5. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is closed.

6. The petitioner is at liberty to ventilate his grievances, if so advised, by filing a fresh writ petition.

7. There shall be no order as to costs.

Miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

Date: 20.04.2026

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