

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

**TUESDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF APRIL,
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

WRIT PETITION NO: 5194 OF 2026



Between:

Sri Mekala Ratna Kumar, S/o. M.Gangaiah, aged about 68 years, Ex-President, Somireddypalli Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society, R/o. Mallepalli village, B.Mattam Mandal, Kadapa District., A.P. (516503)

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh , Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Agriculture and Co-operation Department, Secretariat, Amaravathi, Andhra Pradesh. (522237)
2. The Commissioner for Co-operation and Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Office at D.No 2-16-83, Sky Lark Towers, 11th line, Syamala Nagar, Guntur - (522 006)
3. The District Cooperative Officer-DCO, Kadapa (YSR) District, Andhra Pradesh. (516001)
4. M/s. Somireddypalli Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society, rep. by its CEO., B.Mattam Mandal, Kadapa District., Andhra Pradesh. (516503)
5. The District Cooperative Audit officer/inquiry officer, Section 51 Inquiry officer, Somireddypalli Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society, B.Mattam Mandal, Kadapa District. Andhra Pradesh. (516503)

Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issuance of an appropriate Writ, Order, or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, by declaring the action of the Respondent No.3 in issuing proceedings vide Rc.No.I314/2013-C2, dated 20.11.2024 ordering Section 51 inquiry without jurisdiction or having any

power, and further action of 5th Respondent i.e., inquiry officer in issuing notice Rc.No.OI/Somireddipalli PACS, dated 30.01.2026 calling upon petitioner to appear on 11.02.2026, as illegal, arbitrary. Excessive and contrary to the principles of natural justice, violative of Fundamental Rights guaranteed under Article 14 and 21 of the Constitution of India and contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Societies Act, 1964 and Rules made therein, and consequently declare the same as illegal and void;

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Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the proceedings issued by the 3rd Respondent vide Rc.No.1314/2013-C2, dated 20.11.2024, including all the consequential proceedings, Pending disposal of WP 5194 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 earlier order of the High Court dated.31.03.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri SRINIVAS BASAVA Advocate for the Petitioner, GP FOR COOPERATION for Respondent Nos.1 to R3 and R5 and the Court made the following.

ORDER

“At request of learned Assistant Government Pleader, post on 21.04.2026 for filing Counter Affidavit.

Interim Order granted earlier is extended till then.”

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SD/-A.VIJAYA BABU
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

NB
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. One CC to SRI. SRINIVAS BASAVA Advocate [OPUC]
2. Two CCs to GP FOR COOPERATION, High Court of Andhra Pradesh.
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HIGH COURT

VN,J

DATED:07/04/2026

POST ON 21.04.2026

ORDER

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INTERIM ORDER EXTENDED