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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

TUESDAY, THE THIRTY FIRST DAY OF MARCH,
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH

WRIT PETITION NO: 5512 OF 2026



Between:

1. B Onnurappa, S/o. Babanna, Aged 58 Years Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Lepakshi IMI, Sri Satyasai District
2. K Sreenivasulu, S/o. Ramaiah, Aged 54 Years, Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Parigi Mandal, Parigi, Sri Satyasai District
3. H S Ramakrishna, S/o. Shiva Shanker Reddy Aged 49 Years, Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Elections, Madakasira, Sri Satyasai District
4. K Uma Manjunath Rao, S/o. Shanker Narayana Rao Aged 56 Years, Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Rolla Mandal, Rolla, Sri Satyasai District
5. Y Sreenivasulu, S/o. Appa Rao, Aged 55 Years, Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Elections, KalyanDurgam Mandal, Ananthapuram District
6. T Venkatesulu, S/o. Sugrivappa, Aged 50 Years Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, KalyanDurgam Mandal, Ananthapuram District
7. J Lakshmi Devi, W/o. Timmappa Swamy, Aged 37 Years, Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Elections, Tadiparthi Mandal, Ananthapuram District
8. C Jaya Prakash, S/o. Bhaskar Rao Aged 55 Years Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Ramagiri Mandal, Satya Sai District
9. N Rama Murthy, S/o. Veeranna Aged 58 Years Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Tadiparthi Mandal, Ananthapuram District
10. K Hari Prasad, S/o. Munaiah, Aged 53 Years Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Tadimarry Mandal, Ananthapuram District.

11. V Satyanarayan, S/o. Subbarayudu Aged 50 Years, Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Penukonda Mandal, Ananthapuram District
12. V Sreenivas Reddy, S/o. Venkata Narappa Reddy, Aged 52 Years, Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, O.D. Cheruvu Mandal, Satya Sai District
13. P. Govinda Reddy, S/o. Timma Reddy Aged 53 Years Senior Assistant, Office of Thasildar, Settur Mandal, Ananthapuram District.

Petitioners

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep by its Principal Secretary, Revenue (Ser III) Department Secretariat Bldgs, Velagapudi, Amaravati Guntur District - 522 237
2. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, APIIC Towers, Mangalagiri, Guntur District - 522 503.
3. The Collector and District Magistrate, Ananthapuramu, Ananthapuramu District.

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 issue a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of Mandamus, declaring the Proceedings in Proceedings RC No. 1111/2024/Ser.I (C. 432998) dated 18.2.2026 issued by the 3rd Respondent in reverting the Petitioners as VRO Grade-1 from the post of Senior Assistants illegal, arbitrary, without notice and violative of Articles 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India and violative of principles of natural justice and violative of G O Ms No. 165 GAD dated 22/4/1997, G O Ms No. 225 dated 18.5.1999 and G O Ms No. 391 dated 19.10.2015 as illegal and set aside the said Proceedings RC No. 1111/2024/Ser.I (C. 432998) dated 18.2.2026 issued by the 3rd Respondent and continue the Petitioners as Senior Assistants in their respective places without insisting of passing the Departmental Tests

including CPT Test by extending the benefit of G O Ms No. 165 GAD dated 22.4.1997.

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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 direct the respondents to continue the Petitioners as Senior Assistants in their respective places duly suspending the Proceedings RC No. 1111/2024/Ser.I (C.432998) dated 18.2.2026 issued by the 3rd Respondent pending disposal of the above Writ Petition and Pending disposal of WP 5512 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: 26.02.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri. A SREEDHAR, Advocate for the Petitioners and of GP FOR SERVICES I for the Respondent Nos.1 to 3, and the Court made the following;

ORDER:

At the request of the learned Government Pleader, list after two weeks along with W.P.No.4757 of 2025 for filing counter.

2. Interim order granted earlier is extended until further orders.

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Sd/-U.SRIDEVI
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. One CC to Sri. A SREEDHAR, Advocate [OPUC]
2. Two CCs to GP FOR SERVICES I, High Court Of Andhra Pradesh.
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3. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

DR, J

DATED: 31.03.2026.

**LIST AFTER TWO WEEKS ALONG WITH W.P.NO.4757 OF 2025 FOR
FILING COUNTER.**

ORDER

WP.No.5512 of 2026



INTERIM ORDER EXTENDED.