



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

[3329]

MONDAY, THE 6th DAY OF JULY 2026

PRESENT

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE VENKATESWARLU
NIMMAGADDA**

CONTEMPT CASE NO: 1277/2025

Between:

1. ALLA RAVEENDRA REDDY, S/O. SUBBA REDDY, AGED ABOUT 60 YEARS, OCC JUNIOR LECTURER (ZOOLOGY), DR.B.R.AMBEDKAR GURUKULAM, TSUNDURU VILLAGE AND MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. M M NAIK, S/O NOT KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER AGED ABOUT NOT KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER OCCUPATION PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, GUNTUR DISTRICT.

2. PIYUSH KUMAR, S/O NOT KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER AGED ABOUT NOT KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER OCCUPATION- PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, FINANCE (HR.IV.FR AND LR) DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, GUNTUR DISTRICT.

3. V PRASANNA VENKATESH, S/O NOT KNOWN TO THE

PETITIONER AGED ABOUT NOT KNOWN TO THE
PETITIONER OCCUPATION- SECRETARY, AP SOCIAL
WELFARE RESIDENTIAL EDUCATION INSTITUTION
SOCIETY, MOKSHA SAI PLAZA, TADEPALLI, GUNTUR
DISTRICT.

4.M LAXMINARAYANA, S/O NOT KNOWN TO THE
PETITIONER AGED ABOUT NOT KNOWN TO THE
PETITIONER OCCUPATION PRINCIPAL,
DR.B.R.AMBEDKAR GURUKULAM, TSUNDURU
VILLAGE AND MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT.

...CONTEMNOR(S):

Petition under Sections 10 to 12 of Contempt of Courts Act 1971 praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit file herein the High Court may be pleased to may be pleased to punish the Respondents herein under Sections 10 to 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 for willfully and intentionally disobeying the Order dated 24.04.2023 in I.A.No.1/2023 in W.P.No.10271/2023 and to pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.PARTY IN PERSON

Counsel for the Contemnor(S):

1.RAVI KUMAR PONAKAMPALLI

2.RAMALINGESWARA RAO KOCHARLA KOTA

The Court made the following:

ORDER

Heard the petitioner (party-in-person) and the learned counsel for the respondents.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that, *vide* order dated 24.04.2023 in I.A. No. 1 of 2023 in W.P. No. 10271 of 2023, this Court directed the respondents to continue the service of the petitioner till he attains the age of superannuation of 62 years, without any break and with regular pay and allowances. Even after receipt of the said order, the respondents did not continue the service of the petitioner or pay his salary. Hence, the present contempt case is filed.

3. The learned counsel for the respondents filed a counter-affidavit on behalf of the respondents. After filing the counter, the respondents furnished written instructions as proof of compliance with the orders passed by this Court in the writ petition, stating that payment was made to the petitioner for the period during which he worked with the respondents.

4. In reply, the petitioner submitted that although the respondents are paying salary for the period he worked, they

have made deductions towards C.Ls. and on certain other grounds.

5. The learned counsel for the respondents brought to the notice of this Court that the writ petition filed by the petitioner was disposed of on 29.01.2026 by holding that the petitioner is not entitled to continue in service beyond the age of 60 years, as the then prevailing decision of the State Government did not permit the same. He further submitted that the petitioner was not entitled to continue in service after attaining the age of superannuation of 60 years and, therefore, cannot claim any further amount. The interim order no longer survives, as it has merged with the final order.

6. Perused the material on record.

7. It is observed that this Court passed the following interim order on 24.04.2023 in W.P. No. 10271 of 2023:

"..., there shall be an interim direction to the respondents to continue the services of the petitioner till he attains the age of superannuation of 62 years, without any break and with regular pay and allowances."

8. In view of the interim order, pending the writ petition, the service of the petitioner was continued and payment was made to

him as per the rules in force. It is not in dispute that the petitioner received the said amount, though certain deductions were made, which cannot be permitted.

9. As contended by the learned counsel for the respondents, in view of the judgment rendered by this Court on 29.01.2026 in W.P. No. 10271 of 2023, holding that the petitioner is not entitled to continue in service beyond the age of 60 years, the contention that the petitioner is not entitled to any amount even though he actually worked is neither valid nor sustainable. Once a public authority such as the respondents extracts work from its employee, even if the continuation of such service is subsequently held to be unauthorized, it is nevertheless liable to pay the employee for the services rendered. Therefore, although the petitioner's claim for continuation in service stood rejected by the final order dated 29.01.2026, the respondents rightly paid the amounts payable for the period during which he actually worked. Thus, the order of this Court stands substantially complied with.

10. The petitioner further contended that the State of Andhra Pradesh, by G.O.Ms. No. 45, dated 02.07.2026, extended the age of superannuation of employees, including employees of

State Corporations, from 60 years to 62 years with effect from 01.01.2022.

11. If the petitioner is entitled to the benefit of G.O.Ms. No. 45, dated 02.07.2026, the respondents shall take appropriate steps regarding continuation of service and payment of salary and allowances, in accordance with law.

12. With the above observations, and in view of the compliance reported by the respondents, no further orders are necessary in the present contempt case. It is open to the petitioner to seek appropriate relief, if so advised, in respect of the benefits claimed under G.O.Ms. No. 45, dated 02.07.2026, by initiating appropriate proceedings. Accordingly, the contempt case is closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

Consequently, Miscellaneous Petitions, if any, pending in the contempt case shall stand closed.

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