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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

THURSDAY, THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF APRIL

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH

WRIT PETITION NO: 9421 OF 2026



Between:

Periyala Venugopala Rao, S/o. P. Anantayya, Aged about 55 years, working as a Deputy Asst. Commissioner (ST), R/o. Flat No.102, Atchamilla Apartments, Opp. Z.P. High School Yendada, Vishakhapatnam - 530045.

Petitioner/Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep.by its Special Chief Secretary, Revenue Commercial Taxes Department, Secretariat Building, Velagapudi, Guntur District - 522238
2. The Chief Commissioner (ST), Kunchanapalli, Guntur District. - 522 501
3. The Assistant Commissioner (ST), M.G. Road (West), Circle, Vizianagaram 535 001
4. The Joint Commissioner (ST), Vizianagaram Division -535 001

Respondents

WHEREAS the Petitioner above named through his/her Advocate N A RAMACHANDRA MURTHY presented this 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 inaction of the 2nd Respondent on the repeated representations made by the Petitioner last one dt. 27- 02-2026 for payment of Special Grade Increments for 12 years in the Cadre of DCTO is illegal, arbitrary, unjust, capricious and violative of Articles 14, 16 and 21 of Constitution of India and also contrary to

the Fundamental Rule 24. Consequently direct the 2nd Respondent to take action on the representation made by the Petitioner by paying the Special Grade Increments for 12 years by forthwith

AND WHEREAS the High Court upon perusing the petition and affidavit of grounds filed herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri N A RAMACHANDRA MURTHY Advocate for the Petitioner, directed issue of notice to the Respondents herein to show cause as to why this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

You viz:

1. The Special Chief Secretary, Revenue Commercial Taxes Department, Secretariat Building, Velagapudi, Guntur District. - 522238
2. The Chief Commissioner (ST), Kunchanapalli, Guntur District. - 522 501
3. The Assistant Commissioner (ST), M.G. Road, (West) Circle ; Vizianagaram. 535 001
4. The Joint Commissioner (ST), Vizianagaram Division -535 001

are be and hereby directed to show cause either appearing in person or through an Advocate, as to why in the circumstances set out in the petition and the memorandum of grounds filed therewith (copy enclosed) this **Writ Petition** should not be admitted on or before Summer Vacation, 2026 to which date the case stands posted for hearing.

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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 2nd Respondent to consider the representation made by the Petitioner dt. 27-02-2026 to sanction the Special Grade Increments for 12 years in the Cadre of DCTO within a stipulated time pending disposal of the above writ petition, Pending disposal of WP 9421 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 upon hearing the arguments of SRI N A RAMACHANDRA MURTHY Advocate for the Petitioner, GP FOR SERVICES I Advocate for the Respondent Nos.1 to 4, and the Court made the following.

ORDER

“Heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

Issue notice for the respondents.

Meanwhile, Respondents are directed to consider the representation made by the petitioner on 27.02.2026, for sanction of Special Grade Increments for 12 years in the cadre of DCTO in terms Orders passed by this Court in Writ Petition No.33928 of 2025.

The said exercise shall be done within a period of two (02) weeks.

Post after Summer Vacation, 2026.”

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For

SD/- M.SRINIVAS
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep.by its Special Chief Secretary,
Revenue Commercial Taxes Department, Secretariat Building,
Velagapudi, Guntur District. - 522238
2. The Chief Commissioner(ST), Kunchanapalli, Guntur District. - 522 501
3. The Assistant Commissioner(ST), M.G. Raod (West), Circle ,
Vizianagaram 535 001.
4. The Joint Commissioner (ST), Vizianagaram Division -535 001 (By
RPAD – 1 to 4- along with a copy of petition and memorandum of grounds)
5. One CC to SRI. N A RAMACHANDRA MURTHY Advocate [OPUC]
6. Two CCs to GP FOR SERVICES I ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh.
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7. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

DR,J

DATED: 23/04/2026

POST AFTER SUMMER VACATION, 2026

NOTICE BEFORE ADMISSION

WP.No.9421 of 2026

DIRECTION

