



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

[3208]

THURSDAY, THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH

WRIT PETITION NO: 10689/2026

Between:

1. DR Y VARA LAKSHMI, D/O. LATE Y. KONDAIAH, AGED ABOUT 57 YEARS, OCCUPATION SECTION OFFICER (SC), GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (V AND E) DEPARTMENT, NTR ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK, PANDIT NEHRU BUS STATION VIJAYAWADA, KRISHNA DISTRICT

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS CHIEF SECRETARY, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, A.P. SECRETARIAT, BLOCK 1, VELAGAPUDI AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238
2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS SPECIAL CHIEF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SERVICES) DEPARTMENT, A.P. SECRETARIAT, BLOCK 1, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238
3. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (POLITICAL) DEPARTMENT A.P. SECRETARIAT, BLOCK 1, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-52223

...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 pass an order or orders or direction more particularly one in the nature of a writ of mandamus declaring the action of Respondents, more particularly the Respondent No. 2 and 3, in not considering the petitioner for promotion to the post of Assistant Secretary in general Administration Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh despite her eligibility, seniority and clean service record as illegal, arbitrary, unjust and irrational besides being violative of petitioners right guaranteed under Article 14 and 16 of Constitution of India and consequently direct the Respondent No. 2 and 3 to consider the case of petitioner for the promotion to the post of Assistant Secretary in General Administration Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh on par with her batchmates selected in the first round under Notification No. 10/99 dated 28-12-1999 issued APPSC and 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 may be pleased to direct the Respondents forthwith to consider the petitioner's representation dated 26.08.2025 for promoting the petitioner to the post of Assistant Secretary in General Administration Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh pending disposal of the writ petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KANDERI CHETHAN

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH**WRIT PETITION NO: 10689 of 2026****The Court made the following Order:**

Instant Writ Petition is filed declaring the action of the respondents, more particularly, respondent Nos.2 and 3 in not considering the case of the petitioner to the promotion to the post of Assistant Secretary in General Administration Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, despite her eligibility, seniority and clean service record as illegal and arbitrary.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for the respondents.

3. Petitioner was initially selected and appointed to the post of Assistant Section Officer, Secretariat, pursuant to the recruitment Notification No.10/99 dated 28.12.1999 and the matter went up to the Hon'ble Apex Court relating to the revised merit list and fixation of inter-se seniority among the candidates selected in the said notification. As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the Judgment dated 18.02.2015 in Civil Appeal No.5099 of 2026, selections have been determined on the basis of rank obtained in the selection process. Pursuant to the aforesaid judgment, the APPSC communicated the revised combined merit

list of the candidates selected under the said Notification, by clearly indicating the merit ranking of all candidates including the petitioner. Subsequently, petitioner joined the service in the AP Secretariat in the year 2017 and availed the fixation of seniority. Petitioner along with others have approached this Court by filing Writ Petition No.7812 of 2021, seeking consequential benefits and fixation of seniority and promotion. In view of the observations made by Hon'ble Apex Court and in view of the revised merit list, the respondents have to prepare the seniority list giving consequential benefits to all the selected candidates. Accordingly, the petitioner has made a representation dated 26.08.2025 to the respondent authorities and the same is pending.

4. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and on perusal of the record, without going into the merits of the case, the Writ Petition is disposed of directing the respondents, more particularly, respondent Nos.2 and 3 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 26.08.2025 and pass appropriate orders in accordance with the rules in vogue.

5. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

Interlocutory applications, if any, pending shall stand closed.

Date: 23.04.2026
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JUSTICE D RAMESH