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

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY SECOND DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH

WRIT PETITION NO: 10621 OF 2026



Between:

K. Surya Ramesh, S/o China Veera Bhadra Rao, Aged 61 years, Occ. Agricultural Officer, Presently working as P.A. to ADA, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture (ADA), Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.

... Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary Agriculture and Cooperation Department A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District -522238
2. The Commissioner and Director of Agriculture, A.P., Chuttugunta, Nallapadu, Guntur, Guntur District - 522004

... 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 an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly one in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the 2nd respondent in not considering the case of petitioner for promotion to the post of Assistant Director of Agriculture by taking his length of service in the cadre of Agricultural Officer in terms of GO Ms No. 225 General Administration (Ser.D) Department dated 18-05-1999 instead of from the date of passing of the departmental test and in not revising his seniority in the cadre of Agricultural Officer with effect from the date of regularization i.e. 23-

10-2006 instead of 21-12-2009 is illegal, arbitrary, unjust and violative Article 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to consider the case of petitioner for promotion to the post of Assistant Director of Agriculture on par with others in the ensuing promotions by taking his length of service in the cadre of Agricultural Officer in terms of GO Ms No. 225 General Administration (Ser.D) Department dated 18-05-1999.

IA NO: 2 OF 2026

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 2nd respondent to consider and dispose of the representation dated 09-03- 2026 made by the petitioner forthwith, Pending disposal of WP 10621 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 consider the case of petitioner for promotion to the post of Assistant Director of Agriculture on par with others in the ensuing promotions by taking his length of service in the cadre of Agricultural Officer in terms of GO Ms No. 225 General Administration (Ser.D) Department dated 18-05-1999,, Pending disposal of WP 10621 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 Smt. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI Advocate for the Petitioner, GP FOR AGRICULTURE for respondent nos.1 & 2, and the Court made the following.

ORDER

The learned Assistant Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner.

This writ petition is filed aggrieved by the impugned action of the 2nd respondent in not considering the case of the petitioner for promotion to the post of Assistant Director of Agriculture in terms of G.O.Ms.No.225 General Administration (Ser. D) Department dated 18.05.1999.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he has crossed 45 years of age. Hence, he is entitled to the benefit in respect of the G.O.Ms. No.225 dated 18.05.1999. However, instead of considering the petitioner's case under the said G.O, the respondents have prepared the seniority list based on G.O.Ms.No.16 Agriculture & Cooperation (FP.I) Department., dated 21.01.2000. He further submitted that the petitioner is entitled for promotion in terms of G.O.Ms. No.225 dated 18.05.1999, he submitted a representation on 09.04.2025.

Considering the same, there shall be a direction to the respondent authorities to consider the representation made by the petitioner dated 09.04.2025 and pass appropriate orders, in accordance with law.

List the matter after four (04) weeks.

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SD/- K. KASIRAO ACHARI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary Agriculture and Cooperation Department , State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District - 522238
2. The Commissioner and Director of Agriculture, A.P., Chuttugunta, Nallapadu, Guntur, Guntur District - 522004 (1 & 2 by RPAD)
3. One CC to SRI. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI Advocate [OPUC]
4. Two CCs to GP FOR AGRICULTURE ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
5. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

DR, J

DATED:22/04/2026

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ORDER

WP.No.10621 of 2026

DIRECTION

