



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI

MONDAY, THE SIXTH DAY OF JULY

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH
AND
THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE ALAPATI GIRIDHAR

WRIT APPEAL NO: 493 OF 2026

Writ Appeal under Clause 15 of the Letters Patent is preferred against the order dt. 07.02.2025, in W.P No. 4149 of 2021 on the file of High Court.

Between:

1. Meesala Ravi Kumar, S/o M. Ramulu,
Aged about 60 years, Occ: Deputy Executive Engineer
A.P.C.R.D.A., 3rd, and 5th Floors, CRDA Buildings,
Rayapudi Post, Tulluru Mandal, Amaravati, Guntur District,
Andhra Pradesh – 522237.
2. Mohammed Abdul Raheem, S/o Mohd. Ismail,
Aged about 60 years, Occ: Deputy Executive Engineer
Presently working as Dy.Zonal Manager,
APIIC, Guru Nanak Colony Road, Vijayawada,
Krishna District-520008. A.P.
3. O. Nagabhushana Reddy, S/o O. Pulla Reddy,
Aged about 59 years, Occ: Deputy Executive Engineer,
Nandyal Municipality, Nandyal Kurnool Dist-518501.
4. D. Sekhar, S/o D. Veerabhadrapa,
Aged about 55 years, Occ: Deputy Executive Engineer,
Andhra Pradesh Township & Infrastructure Development
Corporation(APTIDCO), Ananthapuramu – PIN 505001.

... Appellants

AND

1. Dabbara Gopal Naidu, S/o Dabbara Venkata Naidu,
Aged 51 years, Deputy Executive Engineer,
Public Health Sub Division, Hindupur, Ananthapur Dist.
2. Gunivandla Surya Narayana, S/o late Gunivandla Narayana,
Aged 54 years, Deputy Executive Engineer,
Public Health Sub Division, Ananthapur, Ananthapur Dist.

3. Mohammed Shakir Hussain, S/o M. Nizamuddin,
Aged 41 years, Deputy Executive Engineer,
Kurnool Municipal Corporation, Kurnool, Kurnool Dist.
4. Kondu Bavina Gurrappa Yadav, S/o Late Thrupalu,
Aged 39 years, Deputy Executive Engineer,
Public Health Sub Division, Kurnool, Kurnool Dist.
5. K. Sudha Rani, D/o K. Madhava Swamy,
Aged 42 years, Deputy Executive Engineer,
Public Health Sub Division, Ananthapur, Ananthapur Dist.

.... Respondents/Petitioners in WP.

6. The Engineer-in-Chief, Public Health and Municipal
Engineering Department, State of A.P., Tadepalli,
Guntur District - 521132, A.P.
7. The State of Andhra Pradesh, rep. by its Principal
Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and
Urban Development Department, Secretariat Buildings,
Amaravathi, Velagapudi, Guntur District - 522 503 A.P.
8. CH. Ramesh Babu,
S/o Panduranga Rao, Aged 56 years,
working as Dy.EE in Mangalagiri Tadepalle Municipal Corporation,
Mangalagiri-522503.
9. A.Sreenivasulu Reddy,
S/o Subbarami Reddy, Aged about 58years,
working as Dy. EE PH sub division Guduru - 524101,
Nellore District.
10. S Ganapathi,
S/o S Venkata Rao, Age 47years,
working as Dy.EE at Kandukur Municipality
Kandukur, Prakasam District-501359.
11. J Satish Kumar,
S/o J Raja Bhushanam, Aged 49 years,
Working as Dy.EE at Guntur Municipal corporation ,opposite to Gandhi Park,
Guntur-522001.
12. B. Sudha Rani,
D/o B.V.Gurunadha Rao, Aged 54 years,
working as Dy. EE PH sub division, Kavali - 524201
13. K Vijaya Lakshmi,
D/o K. Koteswara Rao (Late), Aged 45 years,
working as Dy.EE at Public Health Sub- Division,
Kanigiri, Markapuram District-523230.

14. T. A. V. Vijaya Jyothi,
D/o T. Ramesh Babu, Aged 41 years,
Working as Dy.E.E at the office of Superintendent Engineer,
Public Health, Q.C.C, Guntur District-522004.

15. B Sridhar,
S/o B Jakraiah, Aged 53 years, Working as Dy.EE at Amaravathi Development
Corporation Ltd, Rayapudi, Guntur District-522237

16. K.Yerri Naidu,
S/o Mallu Naidu, Aged 56 years,
working as Dy.E.E at Public Health SubDivision,
Narasaraopet, Palnadu District-522601.

17. P Venkaiah,
S/o P Raja Rao, Aged 56 years,
Working as DyEE in Ponnur Municipality,
Ponnur 522124.

18. B Naga Mallika,
W/o M Sudhakar Raju, Aged 47 years,
Working as Dy EE (11 yrs. 6 months) at Andhra Pradesh Urban Finance and
Infrastructure Development corporation Ltd, Rayapudi, Guntur District-522237.

Respondents No.8 to 18 ,are impleaded as per c.o.dt.06.07.2026 vide
I.A.No.5 of 2026 in W.A.No.493 of 2026.

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 dispense with the filing of the certified copy of the orders passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P No. 4149 of 2021 dt: 07.02.2025, pending disposal of the main writ appeal.

IA NO: 3 OF 2026

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 condone the delay of 387 days in filing the present Writ Appeal, pending Disposal of the main Writ Appeal.

IA NO: 4 OF 2026

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 suspend the operation of the orders passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P No. 4149 of 2021 dt: 07.02.2025, pending disposal of the main Writ Appeal.

Counsel for the Petitioners: SRI. POODATTU AMARENDER

Counsel for the Respondents No.1 to 5: SRI P V KRISHNAIAH

Counsel for the Respondents No.6 & 7:GP FOR SERVICES I

Counsel for the Respondents No.8 to 18: SRI G.SAI LOCHAN

The Court made the following Order:



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

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MONDAY, THE 6th DAY OF JULY 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE ALAPATI GIRIDHAR

WRIT APPEAL NO: 493/2026

Writ Appeal under clause 15 of the Letters Patent allow the Writ Appeal filed by the Appellants, by setting aside the Judgment in W.P No. 4149 of 2021, dt. 07.02.2025, passed by the learned Single Judge and pass

Between:

1. MEESALA RAVI KUMAR, S/O M. RAMULU, AGED ABOUT 60 YEARS, OCC. DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER A.P.C.R.D.A., 3RD, AND 5TH FLOORS, CRDA BUILDINGS, RAYAPUDI POST, TULLURU MANDAL, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522237.
2. MOHAMMED ABDUL RAHEEM,, S/O MOHD. ISMAIL, AGED ABOUT 60 YEARS, OCC. DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PRESENTLY WORKING AS DY.ZONAL MANAGER, APIIC, GURU NANAK COLONY ROAD, VIJAYAWADA, KRISHNA DISTRICT-520008. A.P.
3. O. NAGABHUSHANA REDDY,, S/O O. PULLA REDDY, AGED ABOUT 59 YEARS, OCC. DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, NANDYAL MUNICIPALITY, NANDYAL KURNOOL DIST-518501.
4. D. SEKHAR,, S/O D. VEERABHADRAPPA, AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS, OCC. DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, ANDHRA PRADESH TOWNSHIP AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION(APTIDCO),

ANANTHAPURAMU - PIN 505001.

...APPELLANT(S)

AND

1. DABBARA GOPAL NAIDU, S/O DABBARA VENKATA NAIDU, AGED 51 YEARS, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC HEALTH SUB DIVISION, HINDUPUR, ANANTHAPUR DIST.
2. GUNIVANDLA SURYA NARAYANA, S/O LATE GUNIVANDLA NARAYANA, AGED 54 YEARS, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC HEALTH SUB DIVISION, ANANTHAPUR, ANANTHAPUR DIST.
3. MOHAMMED SHAKIR HUSSAIN, S/O M. NIZAMUDDIN, AGED 41 YEARS, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, KURNOOL MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, KURNOOL, KURNOOL DIST.
4. KONDU BAVINA GURRAPPA YADAV, S/O LATE THRUPALU, AGED 39 YEARS, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC HEALTH SUB DIVISION, KURNOOL, KURNOOL DIST.
5. K SUDHA RANI, D/O K. MADHAVA SWAMY, AGED 42 YEARS, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC HEALTH SUB DIVISION, ANANTHAPUR, ANANTHAPUR DIST.
6. THE ENGINEER IN CHIEF, PUBLIC HEALTH AND MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, STATE OF A.P., TADEPALLI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 521132, A.P.
7. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, AMARAVATHI, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 503 A.P.

...RESPONDENT(S):

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 dispense with the filing of the certified copy of the orders passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P No. 4149 of 2021 dt: 07.02.2025, pending disposal of the main writ appeal, and pass

IA NO: 2 OF 2026

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 grant leave to the Appellants to file the present Writ Appeal against the Orders passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P No. 4149 of 2021 dt: 07.02.2025, as we were not made as party respondents in the Writ Petition, though we are proper and necessary parties to the Writ Petition, pending disposal of the main Writ Appeal, and pas

IA NO: 3 OF 2026

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 condone the delay of 387 days in filing the present Writ Appeal, pending Disposal of the main Writ Appeal and pass

IA NO: 4 OF 2026

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 suspend the operation of the orders passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P No. 4149 of 2021 dt: 07.02.2025, pending disposal of the main Writ Appeal, and pass

IA NO: 5 OF 2026

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 permit the proposed respondents No.8 to 18 herein to implead as Party Respondents in W.A.No.493 of 2026 and pass

Counsel for the Appellant(S):

1. POODATTU AMARENDER

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR SERVICES I

2. P V KRISHNAIAH

The Court made the following:

JUDGMENT: *(Per Hon'ble Sri Justice D.Ramesh)*

The Writ Appeal is filed by third parties aggrieved by the orders dated 07.02.2025 in W.P.No.4149 of 2021 wherein learned single Judge has set aside the integrated seniority list dated 30.11.2020 issued by respondent no.1 therein (respondent no.7 herein) and further directed the respondents to prepare a fresh final seniority list of Deputy Executive Engineers in terms of Rule 33, 33(b) and Rule 34 of A.P.State and Subordinate Service Rules (for short the Rules), in accordance with law.

2. Heard Sri P.Amarender, learned counsel for the appellants, learned Government Pleader for respondents.
3. Admittedly, the appellants as well as unofficial respondents are all appointed as Assistant Executive Engineers. The posts of Deputy Executive Engineer is Zonal cadre and the next post Executive Engineer is a State cadre and integrated seniority list was prepared on 30.11.2020 in terms of Rule 34 of the Rules.
4. The petitioners in the Writ Petition belongs to zone-II and the seniority has been prepared in terms of Rule 33 of the Rules taking the date of joining. Basing on the zonal seniority list, the respondents have prepared and finalized integrated seniority list on 30.11.2020 in terms of Rule 34 of the Rules. The petitioners have no grievance with regard to preparation of integrated seniority list, but if they have any grievance

with regard to preparation of zonal seniority list, the same has not been assailed within time. In fact after finalization of integrated seniority list on 30.11.2020, all the petitioners and unofficial respondents herein have got promotions as Executive Engineers based on the said integrated seniority list. Out of 130 Deputy Executive Engineers, more or less 120 Deputy Executive Engineers were promoted to the post of Executive Engineers except the appellants herein and implead petitioners.

5. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the appellants has submitted that the writ petition itself is not maintainable on the ground of not impleading effected persons as party respondents. In fact the petitioners have not challenged the zonal seniority list in time. Without challenging the same, they are estopped to challenge the integrated seniority list. Further he has also placed reliance that once the integrated seniority list is prepared and promotions are affected more than 120 persons by virtue of the impugned orders only the appellants and implead petitioners were not got promotions.

6. Considering the submissions made by the appellants and the implead petitioners, the impugned orders in W.P.No.4149 of 2021 at paragraph no.11 are set aside with a further direction to respondents to complete the promotions as per the integrated seniority list dated 30.11.2020. However as contended by the petitioners in the Writ

Petition, let the authorities may first finalize the zonal seniority list in terms of Rule 33 Proviso to 33(b) of the Rules after that if any requirement of modification of integrated seniority list is required, let a separate proceedings may initiate by issuing notices to the affected persons in accordance with Rule 34 of the Rules. It is needless to say that the authorities may affect promotions without reference to the memo dated 25.6.2026.

7. Accordingly, the Writ Appeal is disposed of. No costs.

As a sequel thereto, interlocutory applications pending, if any, in the writ appeal, shall also stand closed.

Sd- SHAIK MOHAMMED RAFI

DEPUTY REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To, **CCS JN 25**

1. The Engineer-in-Chief, Public Health and Municipal Engineering Department, State of A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur District -521132, A.P.
2. The Principal Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Secretariat Buildings, Amaravathi, Velagapudi, Guntur District - 522 503 A.P.
3. One CC to SRI POODATTU AMARENDER, Advocate [OPUC]
4. One CC to SRI G.SAI LOCHAN, Advocate [OPUC]
5. One CC to SRI P V KRISHNAIAH, Advocate [OPUC]
6. Two CCs to GP FOR SERVICES I, High Court of Andhra Pradesh [OUT]
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HIGH COURT

DATED:06/07/2026

ORDER

WA NO. 493 OF 2026



**DISPOSING OF THE WRIT APPEAL
WITHOUT COSTS**