



**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: 10968/2026

Between:

1. SRI PAPPU HARI, S/O P.ESWARA RAO, AGED 36 YEARS, OCC. TAHSILDAR (FAC) WORKING AT BHOGAPURAM MANDAL, VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT, R/O GF-2, SRI RAMA NILAYAM, SRI RAMAM LAY OUT. NEAR RAMANARAYANAPURAM TEMPLE, SARIKA VILLAGE, VIZIANAGARAM MANDAL, VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT - 535004

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY, REVENUE (SERVICES) DEPARTMENT, AP SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, ANDHRA PRADESH-522503.

2. THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF LAND ADMINISTRATION, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, 1ST AND 3RD FLOOR, APIIC BUILDINGS, AUTO NAGAR NEAR NRI HOSPITALS, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT -522503.

3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT-535001

...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 issue a writ or order or order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of MANDAMUS declaring the action of the Respondents in not considering the case of the Petitioner for promotion to the post of Tahsildar from the post Deputy Tahsildar though he is fully eligible, qualified and within the Zone of consideration except pending charge memo issued in CCLAs Procg.No.REV02-28021/14/2025 (C.No.2791400) dt 18-05-2025 of 2nd respondent which was issued based on a minor allegations detected way back on 20.07.2021 as illegal as arbitrary and violative of G.O. Ms. No. 91 General Administration (SER.C) Dept dated 12.09.2022 and Articles 14, 16 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequentially direct the Respondents to consider the Petitioner's case for promotion to the post of Tahsildar, Zone-1 without reference to Charge Memo issued in CCLAs Procg.No.REV02-28021/14/2025 (C.No.2791400) dt 18-05-2025 of 2nd respondent in terms of Para-5 (B) (i) of G.O.Ms.No.257 General Administration (SER.C) Dept dated 10.06.1999 and to 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 to direct the 2nd respondent to consider the case of the petitioner for promotion as Tahsildar from the post Deputy Tahsildar Para-5 (B) (i) of G.O.Ms.No.257 General Administration (SER.C) Dept dated;10.06.1999 without reference to the charge memo issued in CCLA's Procg.No.REV02-28021/14/2025 (C.No.2791400) dt 18-05-2025 of 2nd respondent and to pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.HARINATH REDDY SOMAGUTTA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR SERVICES I

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The Court made the following Order:

This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following relief:

“... to issue an appropriate writ order or direction more particularly one in nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in not considering the case of the Petitioner for promotion to the post of Tahsildar from the post Deputy Tahsildar though he is fully eligible, qualified and within the Zone of consideration except pending charge memo issued in CCLAs Procg.No. REV02-28021/14/2025 (C.No.2791400) dt 18-05-2025 of 2nd respondent which was issued based on a minor allegations detected way back on 20.07.2021 as illegal as arbitrary and violative of G.O.Ms.No.91 General Administration (SER.C) Dept dated 12.09.2022 and Articles 14, 16 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequentially direct the Respondents to consider the Petitioners case for promotion to the post of Tahsildar, Zone-1 without reference to Charge Memo issued in CCLAs Procg.No.REV02-28021/14/2025 (C.No.2791400) dt 18-05-2025 of 2nd respondent in terms of Para-5 (B) (i) of G.O.Ms.No.257 General Administration (SER.C) Dept dated 10.06.1999 and pass...”

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Services-II.

3. A charge memo vide CCL's Proceedings No.REV02-28021/14/2025 (C.No.2791400) dated 18.05.2025 was issued to the petitioner framing charges. The petitioner submitted a written explanation 09.06.2025 urging the authorities to drop further

proceedings. Despite the same the respondent authorities are not consider the case of the petitioner for promotion in view of G.O.Ms.No.257 dated 10.06.1999 on the ground of initiation of enquiry against the petitioner.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the respondents have not considered the case of petitioner for promotion, despite her seniority and clean service record.

5. Having heard the respective submissions, this Court is of the opinion that the case of the petitioner for promotion to the post of Tahsildar, Zone-II can be considered in terms of G.O.Ms.No.257, dated 10.06.1999.

6. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's case for promotion to the post of Tahsildar, subject to the petitioner possessing requisite qualifications in terms of G.O.Ms.No.257, General Administration (Ser.C) Department, dated 10.06.1999 and also conclude the enquiry, if any pending, in terms of G.O.Ms.No.91, General Administration (Ser.C) Department dated 12.09.2022. 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