

HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATHI

W.P.No.14279 of 2026

PROCEEDING SHEET

Sl. No	DATE	ORDER	Office Note
	15.05.2026	<u>GTK,J</u> Heard Mr. R. Venkatesh, learned counsel representing Sri V.Hemanth Manikantha Chary, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Assistant Government Pleader for Services-I. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, as on date, the petitioner has been discharging duties as Executive Engineer in the respondent No.3 organization since its inception. It is further submitted that the petitioner is going to attain the age of superannuation on 31.05.2026 and that he has been orally directed not to attend duties, through Circular No.10812/Estt/B5/2000/31, dated 20.02.2026. He further asserts that this Court, in a similar issue, passed an order in W.P.No.6962 of 2025 holding that:- <i>“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that by various orders, this Court has directed the employees who are working with Andhra Pradesh Housing Board to continue in their services till they attain the age of superannuation till 62 years. Therefore, similar benefits be extended in the present case.</i> <i>However, learned Standing counsel for the respondents opposed the same</i>	

		<i>and contended that the Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court in W.A.No.946 of 2024 stayed the earlier orders passed whereby the age of superannuation was continued till 62 years.</i> <i>The Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court in I.A.No.1 of 2019 in W.P.No.25188 of 2018 and batch by an order dated 19.11.2024 while dismissing the review applications, concurred with a view expressed by the Hon'ble Division Bench of Erstwhile High Court in W.P.No.26495 and 26926 of 2015, wherein operation of Section 16 of Housing Board Act, dealing with the age of superannuation for employees of Housing Board came to be considered and held that the age of superannuation of those employees shall be in para-materia with that of the Government employees in terms of Andhra Pradesh Act No.4 of 2022. Further the Coordinate Bench in W.P.No.25938 of 2024 passed interim order allowing the petitioner therein to continue in service till attaining the age of 62 years, after considering the interim order passed in W.A.No.946 of 2024.</i> <i>In view of the aforesaid orders passed by this Court, there shall interim direction to the respondents to continue the petitioner in service till he attains the age of superannuation until further orders".</i> The facts throws light that the petitioner was discharging his duties on deputation to APTIDCO, and in the impugned order dated 20.02.2026, it connotes that the petitioner is holding a pensionary job, who was asked to submit his pension papers. As per the A.P.	
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		Revised Pension Rules, 1980, only Government employees are entitled as per the definition. In view of the above reasoning, there shall be a direction to the respondents to continue the petitioner in service till he attains the age of superannuation or subject to the result of this Writ Petition, whichever is earlier. List the matter after Summer Vacation, 2026. GTK, J LSP/SSA	
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