



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

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THURSDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE SUBBA REDDY SATTI

WRIT PETITION NO: 15335/2026

Between:

1.V. RAMALINGESWARA REDDY, S/O JAYARAMA REDDY, AGE 59 YEARS, PRESENTLY WORKING AS AN ASSISTANT CITY PLANNER/ ASSISTANT CITY PLANNER, GREATER VISAKHAPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, VISAKHAPATNAM

...PETITIONER

AND

1.THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG-III) DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMRAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.

2.THE DIRECTORATE OF TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, REPRESENTED BY ITS DIRECTOR, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, MGM CAPITAL, GROUND FLOOR, NRI HOSPITAL, JUNCTION, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, AMRAVATI.

...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 an order or direction, more particularly one in the nature of writ petition is filed declaring the action of the respondents, more particularly Respondent No.4, in closing the complaints/representations of the petitioner dated 17-03-2026 and 23-03-2026, without taking any action against the illegal construction and unauthorized establishment of a chicken and mutton shop by Respondent Nos.6 and 7 in an extent of 180 Sq. Yards in

Survey No.263 of Bhimavaram Mandal, vide proceedings dated 01-04-2026, as illegal, arbitrary, unreasonable, and violative of Articles 14, 21, and 300-A of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to take appropriate action against illegal construction and business activity made by Respondents No.6 and 7 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 to direct the Respondents to consider the Petitioner's case for promotion to the post of Deputy Director in the ensuing Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) and not to deny or defer such consideration solely on the ground of pendency of departmental proceedings initiated vide G.O.Rt.No.1486, dated 17.12.2025 and without referring the same, Pending disposal of the above Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.S SRINIVASA RAO

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR SERVICES I

The Court made the following:

:ORDER:

Heard Sri S. Srinivasa Rao, learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Services, for the respondents.

2. The above writ petition was filed alleging that respondent No.2 is not considering the case of the petitioner for promotion due to the pendency of a charge memo as illegal and arbitrary.

3. A charge memo vide G.O.Rt.No.1486 Municipal Administration & Urban Development (Vig.III) Department, dated 17.12.2025, along with Annexure-II, imputations of misconduct etc., (Ex.P1), was issued to the petitioner. The sole allegation against the petitioner is that, while he was working as Assistant City Planner in the Nellore Municipal Corporation during 2019-2020, he failed to properly supervise his subordinates in identifying certain unauthorised

constructions. Although the disciplinary proceedings were initiated through Ex.P1, they were served on the petitioner in May, 2026.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner confined his arguments and urged the court to consider the case of the petitioner for promotion in terms of G.O.Ms.No.257 General Administration (SER.C) Department, dated 10.06.1999.

5. The learned Government Pleader for Services, on instructions, would submit that the respondents will consider the petitioner's case for promotion in terms of G.O.Ms.No.257 General Administration (SER.C) Department, dated 10.06.1999, if he is in the zone of consideration.

6. Given the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions of the learned Government Pleader for Services, keeping this writ petition pending may not serve any purpose.

7. Hence, without going into the merits of the matter, this Writ Petition is disposed of at the admission stage with the consent of learned counsel on either side, directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's case for promotion strictly in terms of G.O.Ms.No.257 General Administration (SER.C) Department, dated 10.06.1999, if his case is in the zone of consideration. No costs.

As a sequel, pending miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE SUBBA REDDY SATTI

Dated: 11.06.2026
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