



**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: 18802/2025

Between:

1. KAILA BALA KRISHNA, S/O. JNANA SUNDARA RAO, AGED ABOUT 60 YEARS, OCCDEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PANCHAYATI RAJ ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, O/O. PIU SUB-DIVISION, JANGAREDDIGUDEM, ELURU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.
2. REDDY VENUGOPALA REDDY, S/O. MALLA REDDY, AGED ABOUT 58 YEARS, OCC DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PANCHAYATI RAJ ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, O/O. PIU SUB-DIVISION, PODILI, PRAKASAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.
3. BARIKI RAJANNA, S/O. B. SANKARAPPA, AGED ABOUT 58 YEARS, OCC DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PANCHAYATI RAJ ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, O/O SUB-DIVISION, KALYANADURGAM, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.
4. SANAPALA RAMAKRISHNA, S/O. LATE S. LATCHANNA, AGED ABOUT 56 YEARS, OCC DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PANCHAYATI RAJ ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, O/O. QA QC SUB. DIVISION, SRIKAKULAM, SRIKAKULAMDISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

- 1.THE STATE OF AP, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, PANCHAYATI RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI VILLAGE, THULLURI MANDAL, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.
- 2.THE ENGINEERINCHIEF PR, PANCHAYATI RAJ ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, ZP COMPOUND, OPP PWD GROUND, BANDAR ROAD, VIJAYAWADA, KRISHNA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 520002.
- 3.P SUMANA, W/O. J.VENKATA SRIDHAR, AGED ABOUT 52 YEARS, OCC DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PRI SUB - DIVISION, NELLORE-I, S.P.S. NELLORE DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.
- 4.S ANITHA, W/O. J. HANUMANTHA RAO, AGED ABOUT 53 YEARS, OCC DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PRI SUB DIVISION, PUTHALAPATTU, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH. RESPONDENT NOS.3 AND 4 IMPEADED AS PER COURT ORDER DATED 04.08.2025 VIDE IA.NO.2 OF 2025 IN WP.NO.18802 OF 2025.

...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, direction or writ. more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in fixing the seniority of Deputy Executive Engineers of the Panchayati Raj Engineering Department through Memo No. Ser.I(1)/6969/2013 dated 05.08.2020, Memo No.Ser.II (1)/6970/2013 dated 04.08.2020, Memo No.Ser.III(1)/7703/2013 dated 07.08.2020, Memo No. Ser.IV(1)/6970/2013 dated 07.08.2020, Memo No. Ser.I(1)/2013 dated 25.02.2025, Memo No. Ser.II(1)/6970/2013 dated

19.02.2025, Memo No. Ser.III(1)/77031/2013 dated 24.02.2025 and Memo No. Ser.IV(1)/6970/2013 dated 11.03.2025, for zones I to IV, respectively basing on Memo No. PRR01-PREOESTT(MISC)/14/2019 ESTT.I, dated 09.05.2019 and in utter violation of Rule 3 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayati Raj and Rural Development Engineering Service Rules, 1999, as illegal, arbitrary and unconstitutional and consequently set aside the Memo No. PRR01-PREOESTT(MISC)/14/2019 ESTT.I, dated 09.05.2019 and the seniority lists of the Deputy Executive Engineers as confirmed by the Respondents in Memo No. Ser.I(1)/6969/2013 dated 05.08.2020, Memo No. Ser.II(1)/6970/2013 dated 04.08.2020, Memo No. Ser.III(1)/7703/2013 dated 07.08.2020, Memo No. Ser.IV(1)/6970/2013 dated 07.08.2020, Memo No. Ser.I(1)/2013 dated 25.02.2025, Memo No. Ser.II(1)/6970/2013 dated 19.02.2025, Memo No. Ser.III(1)/77031/2013 dated 24.02.2025 and Memo No. Ser.IV(1)/6970/2013 dated 11.03.2025, for zones I to IV, respectively and recast the same strictly in accordance with Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Panchayati Raj and Rural Development Engineering Service Rules, and pass

IA NO: 1 OF 2025

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 not to effect promotions to the post of Executive Engineers, pending disposal of the writ petition, and pass

IA NO: 2 OF 2025

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 implead the proposed Respondents as Respondents No.3 and 4 in the above W.P.No. 18802 of 2025 as well as I.A.No. 1 of 2025 and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

- 1.VINOD KUMAR PEMMASANI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

- 1.GP FOR SERVICES I
- 2.MANOJ KUMAR BETHAPUDI

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH**WRIT PETITION NO: 18802 of 2025****The Court made the following Order:**

Learned counsel for the petitioners seeks permission of this Court to withdraw the present Writ Petition and also addressed a Letter dated 22.04.2026 to the Registrar (Judicial) to that effect.

2. Permission is accorded.
3. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is dismissed as withdrawn, granting liberty to the petitioners to file a fresh Writ Petition, if so advised. There shall be no order as to costs.

Interlocutory applications, if any, pending shall stand closed.

JUSTICE D RAMESH

Date: 23.04.2026
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