

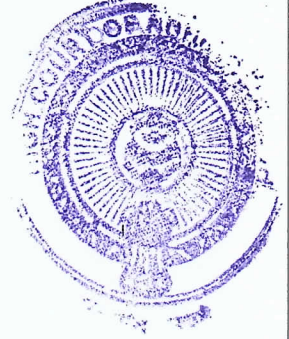
**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)**

**FRIDAY, THE TWENTY FIFTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE**

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

WRIT PETITION NO: 18727 OF 2025



Between:

L.Vijay Dutt, S/o Anandam, Age. 58 yrs, Occ. Working as Extension Officer (Panchayat Raj and Rural Development), R/o Kuppam Village and Mandal, Chittoor District.

...Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, PVS Icon Tadepalli, Guntur District.
3. The District Panchayat Officer, Chittoor District at Chittoor.

...Respondents

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 order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of MANDAMUS declaring the inaction of the 2nd respondent in considering the petitioner's case for promotion to the post of Mandal Parishad Development Officer (MPDO) by declaring his probation in the post of Extension Officer (Panchayat Raj and Rural Development) Department at Kuppam, Chittoor District as unjustified, illegal, contrary to law and consequentially direct the 2nd respondent to consider the case of the petitioner for promotion with all consequential benefits in the interest of justice.

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Petition under Section 151 of CPC is filed 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 representation of the petitioner dt: 19.03.2025 and accord promotion to the post of Mandal Parishad Development Officer (MPDO) by declaring his probation in the post of Extension Officer (Panchayat Raj & Rural Development) Department at Kuppam, Chittoor District, Pending disposal of WP 18727 of 2025, on the file of the High Court.

The Petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of M/s AISHWARYA NAGULA, Advocate for the Petitioner, and of GP FOR SERVICES I, for the Respondents, the Court made the following

ORDER:

The present Writ Petition is filed questioning the action of the Respondent No.2 in not considering the Petitioner's case for promotion to the post of Mandal Parishad Development Officer (MPDO) by declaring his probation to the post of Extension Officer (Panchayat Raj & Rural Development) Department at Kuppam, Chittoor District as illegal and arbitrary.

Initially the Petitioner was appointed as Junior Accountant in Andhra Pradesh Government Life Insurance (APGLI) in the year 1990 and his probation was declared with effect from 21.03.1993. Subsequently, the Petitioner was transferred to Commercial Tax Department on 16.08.1995 and joined as Junior Assistant on 22.08.1995. Thereafter, the Petitioner was selected to Group-II Services, pursuant to the notification issued by APPSC and posted as Executive Officer, Grade-II in Panchayat Raj Department. Further, the Petitioner was posted

as Panchayat Secretary Grade-II in Mandal Praja Parishad, Lingampalem, West Godavari District. As the Petitioner was qualified for the Departmental Test, posted as Executive Officer.

While so, pursuant to the directions of Hon'ble Apex Court, the Respondent No.2 had issued Proceedings dated 06.09.2021 the post of the Petitioner was revised to Extension Officer PR & RD from Executive Officer Grade-II post and he was allotted to Zone-IV.

Though, the Petitioner has been working in the said post from 11.11.2021, his probation was not declared by the Respondent Authorities. Hence, the present Writ Petition came to be filed.

Learned Assistant Government Pleader for the Respondents seeks time to get instructions.

Having heard the learned counsel for the Petitioner, As Per Rule 18 of the A.P.CS (CCA) Rules, 1964, the probation shall be declared in two (02) years. As on date, the Petitioner had completed two years of service and is eligible for declaring probation.

Therefore, this Court is inclined to pass the following interim order:

- (i) The Respondent Authorities shall declare the probation of the Petitioner, strictly adherence as per Rule 18 of 'the Rules', within four (04) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

Post on 19.09.2025 to enable the learned Assistant Government Pleader for the Respondents for filing Counter-Affidavit.

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Sd/-K.TATA RAO
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District. **(by Special Messenger)**
2. The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, PVS Icon Tadepalli, Guntur District.
3. The District Panchayat Officer, Chittoor District at Chittoor. **(Addressees 2 & 3 by RPAD)**
4. One CC to M/s AISHWARYA NAGULA, Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to GP FOR SERVICES I, High Court of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
6. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

VN,J

DATED:25/07/2025

NOTE: Post on 19.09.2025.

ORDER

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INTERIM DIRECTION

