

HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH :: AMARAVATI**MAIN CASE No: WP No.19740 of 2025****PROCEEDING SHEET**

SL. NO.	DATE	ORDER	OFFICE NOTE
	1.08.2025	<u>VN.J</u> The present Writ Petition is filed questioning the Charge Memo issued on 28.03.2024 to the Petitioner on the basis of a Charge Sheet filed in C.C.No.167 of 2021 before the Additional Judicial First Class Magistrate, Giddalur. The wife of the Petitioner had given a private complaint under Section 200 Cr.P.C and the same was referred to the Police. Thereupon, a case in Cr.No.612 of 2021 for the offences punishable under Sections 323 and 498-A of IPC was registered against the Petitioner. On investigation by the Police, a Charge sheet was filed and the same was taken cognizance by the Court referred above. On the basis of the involvement of the Petitioner in Cr.No.612 of 2021, a Charge Memo was issued to the Petitioner vide Proceedings No.C.No.14/OEPR/A8/2024, dated 28.03.2024 by the Respondent Authorities.	

		The list of documents and the witnesses in the Charge Memo specified in Annexure Nos. 2 and 3 are verbatim similar to the list of witnesses mentioned in the charge sheet. A reading of Charge Sheet and the Departmental Enquiry would show that there is absolutely no iota of difference between both the proceedings. From the narration of the proceedings, the Departmental Enquiry Proceedings are being treated as a “dry run” for the criminal trial and the same would prejudice the defence of the Petitioner in the criminal case. Therefore, in the interest of justice, Departmental Proceedings are required to be stayed. Therefore, there shall be an interim stay of Departmental Proceedings for a period of eight weeks. Post on 04.09.2025. _____ VN,J eha	
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