

(SHOW CAUSE NOTICE BEFORE ADMISSION)
IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

MONDAY, THE 17th DAY OF AUGUST, 2026



:PRESENT:
THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

WRIT PETITION NO: 23400 OF 2026

Between:

Peddinti Krishna Sastry, S/o Suryanarayana Acharyulu, Age 60 Years,
Occ Ex-CEO of PACS, R/o. D.No.04-36, Ballipadu - 534 134, Attili
Mandal, West Godavari District.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Pri. Secretary, Co-operation Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi – 522 237, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner for Co-operation and Registrar of Co-operative Societies-AP, Guntur – 522 001, Guntur District.
3. The District Co-operative Officer, Bhimavaram – 534 201, West Godavari District.
4. The District Co-operative Central Bank Ltd, Eluru – 534 001, Eluru District, Rep. by its Chief Executive Officer.
5. Ballipadu Primary Agricultural Co-operative Credit Society Ltd., No. 190 Ballipadu - 534 134, West Godavari District, Rep. by its Chair Person, Three-Men Committee.

Respondents

WHEREAS the Petitioner above named through his Advocate Sri. N SIVA REDDY, presented this 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 a writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS declaring the action of the Respondents in getting the Petitioner retired at the age of 60 years without extending the benefit of enhancement of the age of superannuation from 60 to 62 years on par with the other Government employees as per G.O.Ms.No.15 Finance (HR.IV FR & LR) Department, dated 31.01.2022 and Section 115 - C D of Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1964 as illegal, arbitrary and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the Respondents to permit the Petitioner to work as Chief Executive Officer in the 5th Respondent Society till he attains the age of 62 years in consonance with G.O.Ms.No.15 Finance (HR.IV FR & LR) Department, dated 31.01.2022.

AND WHEREAS the High Court upon perusing the petition and affidavit filed herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri N SIVA REDDY, Advocate for the Petitioner and of GP FOR CO-OPERATION for the Respondent Nos.1 to 3, directed issue of notice to the Respondent Nos.4 & 5, herein to show cause as to why this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

You viz:

1. The Chief Executive Officer, The District Co-operative Central Bank Ltd, Eluru – 534 001, Eluru District.
2. The Chair Person, Three-Men Committee, Ballipadu Primary Agricultural Co-operative Credit Society Ltd., No. 190 Ballipadu - 534 134, West Godavari District.

are be and hereby directed to show cause either appearing in person or through an Advocate, as to why in the circumstances set out in the petition and the memorandum of grounds filed therewith (copy enclosed) this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

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Petition under Section 151 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 Respondents to permit the Petitioner to work as Chief Executive Officer in the 5th Respondent Society till he attains the age of 62 years in consonance with G.O.Ms.No.15 Finance (HR.IV FR & LR) Department, dated 31.01.2022, pending disposal of the present writ petition.

The Court made the following ORDER:

- 1. Notice before admission.**
- 2. Learned Government Pleader for Co-operation takes notice for Respondent Nos.1 to 3.**
- 3. Issue notice to Respondent Nos.4 and 5.**
- 4. Learned counsel for the Petitioner is also permitted to take out personal notice to Respondent Nos.4 and 5 by RPAD and file proof of service in the Registry by the next date.**
- 5. The present Writ Petition is filed question the action of the Respondents in not extending the benefit of enhanced age of superannuation from 60 to 62 years to the Petitioner pursuant to the resolutions of the Executive Committee as well as the General Body of the Respondent-Society and to declare the same as illegal and arbitrary.**
- 6. The learned Government Pleader submits that the Division Bench of this Court in W.A.No.649 of 2024 had passed an interim order on 11.09.2024 suspending the order of the learned Single Judge with regard to the same relief.**
- 7. Heard the respective counsel.**
- 8. The learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that though the Division Bench of this Court in W.A.649 of 2024 had stayed the enhancement of age of superannuation of 62 years, the distinguishable factor in this case is that the General Body as well as the Executive**

Committee of the Respondent-Society had resolved to enhance the age of its employees on par with the Government employees i.e., 62 years. Apart from that Rule 28(7) of the Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Rules enables the Society to enhance the age of its employees on par with the Government employees. In W.A.No.649 of 2024, the interim orders were passed at the instance of the Co-operative Society which did not pass any General Body or Executive Committee resolution as done in this case.

9. In that view, there shall be interim order as under;
 - (i) The Respondent-authorities shall continue the Petitioner till he attains the age of 62 years pending further orders.
10. Post along with W.P.No.16226 of 2026.

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SD/- U.SRIDEVI
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Prl. Secretary, Co-operation Department, The State of Andhra Pradesh, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi – 522 237, Guntur District. (by SPECIAL MESSENGER)
2. The Commissioner for Co-operation and Registrar of Co-operative Societies-AP, Guntur – 522 001, Guntur District.
3. The District Co-operative Officer, Bhimavaram – 534 201, West Godavari District. (Addressee Nos. 2 & 3 BY SPAD)
4. The Chief Executive Officer, The District Co-operative Central Bank Ltd, Eluru – 534 001, Eluru District.
5. The Chair Person, Three-Men Committee, Ballipadu Primary Agricultural Co-operative Credit Society Ltd., No. 190 Ballipadu - 534 134, West Godavari District. (4 & 5 by RPAD- along with a copy of petition and affidavit)

6. One CC to Sri. N SIVA REDDY, Advocate [OPUC]

7. Two CCs to GP FOR CO-OPERATION, High Court Of Andhra Pradesh.
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8. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

VN, J

DATED:17/08/2026

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WP.No.23400 of 2026

DIRECTION

