



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

[3457]

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY EIGHTH DAY OF JANUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

WRIT PETITION NO: 3839/2014

Between:

1. SALKI LAXMI,, W/O. AGOLU KASIRAM, AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,
R/O. VEERABADRAPURAM VILLAGE, ARDHAVEEDU MANDAL,
PRAKASAM DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE SELECTION COMMITTEE, FOR THE SELECTION OF
ANGANWADI WORKERS, REP. BY ITS CHAIRMAN, ITDA PROJECT
OFFICER/CHAIRPERSON, DW 86 CDA, ONGOLE, PRAKASAM
DISTRICT.

2. THE PROJECT DIRECTOR DW CDA ONGOLE, PRAKASAM
DISTRICT.

3. THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICER BESTAVARIPETA,
.PRAKASAM DISTRICT.

4. THE REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER ONGOLE, PRAKASAM
DISTRICT.

5. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR ONGOLE, PRAKASAM DISTRICT.

6. THE GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN
(ICDS) DISABLED AND SENIOR CITIZENS, SECRETARIAT,
HYDERABAD.

7. METLA KRISHNA VENI, W/O. RAJAIAH, AGED 28 YEARS, R/ O.

VEERABADRAPURAM VILLAGE, ARDHAVEEDU MANDAL,
PRAKASAM DISTRICT.

...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 a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondent in selecting the 7th respondent as Anganwadi worker in respect of Veerabadrapuram Village, Ardhaveedu Mandal, Prakasam District instead of the petitioner as arbitrary, illegal and contrary to the O.O.Ms.No.15 dated 4.4.2012 and consequently direct the respondent to cancel the selection of the 7th respondent and selecting the petitioner as Anganwadi worker in respect of Veerabadrapuram Village, Ardhaveedu Mandal, Prakasam District in the interest of justice.

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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 respondent not to declare the selection of the 7th respondent as Anganwadi worker in respect of Veerabadrapuram village, Ardhaveedu Mandal, Prakasam District

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.P NAGENDRA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR WOMEN DEV, CHILD WELFARE

The Court made the following:

Order:-

The petitioner is challenging the appointment of the 7th respondent as Anganwadi worker for Veerabadrapuram Village, Ardhaveedu Mandal, Prakasam District.

2. The petitioner, after completing the 10th class, also furnished the intermediate and thereafter completed graduation. The petitioner attended the interview for the post of Anganwadi worker along with the other applicants. However, the 7th respondent was preferred by the official respondents. The primary contention of the petitioner is that the petitioner secured the highest marks in 10th class and also has higher qualification as compared to the 7th respondent. Though the petitioner is qualified and has secured higher marks in 10th class as compared to the 7th respondent, the respondent authorities have preferred the 7th respondent and appointed her.

3. The learned Assistant Government Pleader appearing for the State has placed on record the written instructions as received. As seen from the instructions, it is evident that the District Selection Committee has considered the applications received and awarded the marks as per the notification to the candidates which they deserved. Insofar as the petitioner is concerned, the Selection Committee awarded 57 marks and the 7th respondent was awarded 63 marks. It is also stated in the counter that all candidates who passed SSC were awarded 50 marks and securing higher marks in SSC examination would not entitle the applicants for the marks beyond 50.

4. Considering the submission that the 7th respondent is presently working and the selection process has been transparent, this Court finds no grounds to interfere.

5. Accordingly, this writ petition is dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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

28.01.2026
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JUSTICE HARINATH.N