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

[3603]

WEDNESDAY, THE 15th DAY OF JULY 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE ALAPATI GIRIDHAR

WRIT APPEAL NOs: 922 and 1021/2024

Writ Appeal under clause 15 of the Letters Patent be pleased to set aside the order dated 28.03.2024 in WP. No. 27616 of 2021 passed by the Learned Single Judge of this Honorable Court and pass such

Between:

- 1.DR RAGHU KUBIREDDY, S/O SURYANARAYANA, AGED 35 YEARS, R/O 41-4-61, METIA BAZAR ROAD KRISHNA LANKA, VIJAYAWADA
- 2.DR. NARAYANAM VISHNU VARDHAN, S/O NARAYANAM SRINIVASA DEEKSHITULU, AGED 33 YEARS. RESIDENT OF 10-13-22, VIKHANASA VEEDHI, BOSE ROAD, REPALLE-522264, GUNTUR(DT) ANDHRA PRADESH
- 3.DR.KEERTHI NAGA ANUSHA, D/O K RAMA KRISHNA RAO, AGED 26 YEARS. RESIDENT OF 6-269, VENKANNA PETA, S.RAYAVARAM, VISHAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT
- 4.DR.SOWMYA BOMMU, D/O UMA MAHESWARA REDDY, AGED 36 YEARS, R/O H.NO 1-87,

ATMAKUR, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.

5. DR.HEMA GUDIVADA, D/O G.KONDABABU, AGED 32 YEARS. RESIDENT OF 41-1-40, RANGAYYA NAIDU STREET, BUDAM PETA, KAKINADA

...APPELLANT(S)

AND

1. DR MVRKS BHAGAVAN, S/O M. RAMAKRISHNAMACHARYULU, AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS, R/O 1-44A, DKIPARRU VILLAGE, GUDLAVALLERU MANDAL, KRISHNA DISTRICT.
2. DR K RAJESWARI, W/O T. VIDYASAGAR, AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS, R/O FLAT B1, SREE GANESH APARTMENTS, 1ST LINE, PATTABHIPURAM, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
3. DR PVRVS KRISHNA KUMAR, S/O P. HANUMACHARYULU, AGED 56 YEARS, R/O IDUPULAPADU VILLAGE, INKOLLU MANDAL, PRAKASAM DISTRICT
4. STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MEDICAL HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI.
5. THE COMMISSIONER, DEPARTMENT OF AYUSH, VIJAYAWADA.
6. THE ANDHRA PRADESH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, VIJAYAWADA
7. DR SATYANARAYANA EARLE, S/O JAGANNADHAM, AGED 37 YEARS, R/O D.NO.48-15-124,

SANTHINAGAR, NAD X ROADS, VISAKHAPATNAM.

8. DR SAIKRISHNA KUMAR OGIRALA, S/O O.V.SUBBA RAO, AGED 32 YEARS. RESIDENT OF 33-18-20, G-2, VIJAYKRISHNA APARTMENT'S, CHALASANI VENKATA KRISHNANAIAH STREET, SURYARAO PETA, BESIDES CITY NEURO CENTRE, VIJAYAWADA.
9. DR KRALETI SRIBALA, D/O B.K.SASTRY, AGED 34 YEARS. NO 302, CRESCENT TOWERS, OPP ANDHRA BANK, SEETAMMADHARA, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT
- 10.DR KEERTHI NAGA ANUSHA, D/O K RAMA KRISHNA RAO, AGED 26 YEARS, RESIDENT OF 6-269, VENKANNA PETA, S.RAYAVARAM, VISHAKAPATNAM DISTRICT
- 11.DR MOPIDEVI MAHIDHARA KRISHNA, S/O M. V. SURYANARAYANA MURTHY, AGED 28 YEARS. RESIDENT OF D. NO 23-19-6/1, JALLA VARI STREET, SATYANARAYANAPURAM, VIJAYAWADA
- 12.DR MOHAMMED ZAMEER IRFAN, S/O MOHAMMED ABDUL AZEEM, AGED 26 YEARS. RESIDENT OF SF4, GOWTHAM TOWERS, SBI COLONY 2, SIDDHARTHA NAGAR, VIJAYAWADA
- 13.DR SOWMYA BOMMU, D/O UMA MAHESWARA REDDY, AGED 36 YEARS, R/O H.NO 1-87, ATMAKUR, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
- 14.DR OGIRALA SAIRAM KUMAR, S/O O.V.SUBBARAO, AGED 32 YEARS, R/O 33-18-20, G-2, CHALASANI VENKATA KRISHNAYA STREET, KASTURIBHAI PETA, VIJAYAWADA
- 15.DR RAMYA KAMIREDDI, D/O K.SATYA RAO, AGED

32 YEARS. RESIDENT OF D.NO - 3/33,
SETTIPALEM VILLAGE, MAKAVARIPALEM,
VISAKHAPATNAM-531113

16.DR MANTHA LAKSHMI DIVYA, D/O M. SRI RAMA
MURTHY, AGED 26 YEARS. RESIDENT OF DO.NO
6-271E, SUBBARAIPURAM, ANNAVARAM, EAST
GODAVARI DISTRICT

17.DR PARASARAM GEETHA MOUNIKA, D/O
P.RAVINDRA BABU, AGED 26 YEARS. RESIDENT
OF D.NO 10-19-57, BRAHMIN STREET I TOWN ,
VIJAYAWADA.

18.DR TANNERU VEERA VENKATA SAI PRAVALLIKA,
D/O T. MADHUSUDHANA RAO, AGED 25 YEARS,
RESIDENT OF DOOR NO.14-1209P, SODHAN
NAGAR, BESIDE RTC BUSSTAND, NELLORE -
524001

19.DR SHAIK PARVEEN, D/O SK.KARIMULLA, AGED 26
YEARS, RESIDENT OF 2-148, NIRMALA NAGAR,
NAGIREDDYPALLE, VINUKONDA MANDAL,
GUNTUR DISTRICT.

20.DR SRAVANI DEVARAPALLI, D/O D. SIVARAMA
KOTESWARA RAO, AGED 27 YEARS. RESIDENT
OF 41- 27-2/2, RAMALINGESWARA REDDY
NILAYAM, KOTHA MASHINE ROAD,
KRISHNALANKA, VIJAYAWADA.

21.DR S V L SINDHURA, D/O SSR ANJANEYULU
(LATE), AGED 32 YEARS. RESIDENT OF KT ROAD,
VAAGU CENTRE, NEAR KBN COLLEGE, VENKATA
LAKSHMI NILAYAM APARTMENTS, FF4,
VIJAYAWADA

...RESPONDENT(S):

IA NO: 1 OF 2024

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 may be pleased to dispense with the filing of the certified copy of the order dated 28.03.2024 in WP. No. 27616 of 2021 and/or and pass such

IA NO: 2 OF 2024

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 may be pleased to condone the delay of 199 days in filing the Writ Appeal and pass such

IA NO: 3 OF 2024

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 may be pleased to stay the common order dated 28.03.2024 in WP. No. 27616 of 2021 pending the hearing and final disposal of the present Appeal and pass such

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 pleased to implead the Proposed implead petitioners herein as party Respondents No.22 to 25 in the Present Writ Appeal No. 922 of 2024 and pass.

Counsel for the Appellant(S):

1.CKR ASSOCIATES

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

- 1.GP FOR SERVICES IV
- 2.P RAJASEKHAR
- 3.V VENKATA NAGA RAJU

The Court made the following:

AND

Writ Appeal under clause 15 of the Letters Patent be pleased to set aside the order dated 28.03.2024 in WP. No. 22958 of 2021 passed by the Learned Single Judge of this Honorable Court and pass such

Between:

- 1.DR ABDUL SHAZIA,, D/O ABDUL ISMAIL AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS, R/O D NO 7513 SEETHARAMANJANEYAPETA TIPPARLA BAZAR MANGALAGIRI GUNTUR DISTRICT PIN 522 503
- 2.DR S SUHARIKA,, D/O S SUNIL KUMAR AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS, R/O D NO G2 FIRST FLOOR MEGHANA RESIDENCY OLD INDANE GAS ROAD GUDIVADA 521 301 KRISHNA DISTRICT

...APPELLANT(S)

AND

1. T MUNIRAMA PRASAD, S/O T MUNAIAH AGED 54 YEARS, OCC MEDICAL OFFICER, GOVERNMENT HOMEIO DISPENSARY, KALLUR, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT R/O D NO 2/525, BAIAJI NAGAR, PRODDATUR YSR KADAPA DISTRICT
2. DR D H KISHORE BABU, , S/O D HUSSAIN AGED 46 YEARS, OCC MEDICAL OFFICER, GOVERNMENT HOMEIO DISPENSARY, PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE,

SRISAILAM KURNOOL DISTRICT R/O H NO 30726/W19
SREECHAKRA VENTURE, VIJAYANAGAR COLONY
BOMMALASATRUM NANDYAL - 518501, KURNOOL
DISTRICT

3. DR K RAMANI DEVI, W/O KARRA SUBBA REDDY
AGED 50 YEARS, OCC MEDICAL OFFICER
GOVERNMENT HOMEIO DISPENSARY, PRIMARY
HEALTH CENTRE, PEDDAMMANURU VILLAGE
KURNOOL DISTRICT R/O FLAT NO 210 ERASI
PARADISE APARTMENT, OPP MUNICIPAL OFFICE
SALEEM NAGAR NANDYAL 518501 KURNOOL
DISTRICT
4. DR T RAJASEKHAR, S/O T J SUNDARAM AGED 49
YEARS, OCC MEDICAL OFFICER, GOVERNMENT
HOMEIO DISPENSARY, AYUSH PRIMARY HEALTH
CENTRE, BUKKARAYASAMUDRAM KURNOOL
DISTRICT R/O FLAT NO 501 SRI SAIRAM COMFORTS
APARTMENTS SHARADANAGAR THARAKANATH
COLONY ANANTHAPURAMU 515001
5. DR P SURYANARAYANA REDDY, S/O P CHINNA
KONDA REDDY, AGED 54 YEARS, OCC MEDICAL
OFFICER GOVERNMENT HOMEIO DISPENSARY,
COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE, JAMMALAMADUGU
YSR KADAPA DISTRICT R/O D NO 21/4391 THEERU
ROAD JAMMALAMADUGU YSR KADAPA DISTRICT
6. DR K RAJA RAO, S/O K VENKATAIAH LATE AGED 50
YEARS. MEDICAL OFFICER GOVERNMENT HOMEIO
DISPENSARY PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE, PEAPULLY
VILLAGE, KURNOOL DISTRICT R/O 76/100 351 D1,
GEETHA NAGAR BELLARY CHOWRASTHA KURNOOL
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7. DR C SOWBHAGYA LAKSHMI, W/O M S VIJAYA
BHASKAR, AGED 48 YEARS MEDICAL OFFICER

GOVERNMENT HOMEIO DISPENSARY RAYACHOTY
YSR KADAPA DISTRICT R/O H NO 2/2593
MARUTHINAGAR, KADAPA 516001

8. DR Y N SELVARAJ, S/O Y NARASIMHULU CHETTY
AGED 54 YEARS, MEDICAL OFFICER GOVERNMENT
HOMEIO DISPENSARY THUMBAKUPPAM CHITTOOR
DISTRICT R/O D NO 82469 AYYAKANNU STREET
PALAMANER POST CHITTOOR DISTRICT
9. DR VEMAVARAMVYDYANATH, S/OPRABHUDAS AGED
55 YEARS MEDICAL OFFICER GOVERNMENT
HOMEIO DISPENSARY PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE
VEMPALLY YSR KADAPA DISTRICT R/O H NO 24/384
POWERHOUSE ROAD PRODDATUR YSR KADAPA
DISTRICT
10. DR PALUKURU MADHAVI, W/O GANGIREDDY
NARASIMHA REDDY AGED 47 YEARS MEDICAL
OFFICER GOVERNMENT HOMEIO DISPENSARY
PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE DHONE KURNOOL
DISTRICT R/O FLAT NO 204 RIVER VIEW APARTMENT
VTC KURNOOL 518004
11. N PADMA SRI CHANDRAKALA, D/O LATE N
NAGARAJU, AGED 48 YEARS MEDICAL OFFICER
GOVERNMENT HOMEIO DISPENSARY KONAKONDIA
KURNOOL DISTRICT R/O H NO 12/517D4 ADARSH
NAGAR KASAPURAM ROAD NEAR COURT GUNTAKAL
515801 ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT
12. DR S ANNAMANI, D/O S BHASKARA RAO AGED 44
YEARS OCC GHD PHC BANDARULANKA R/O P
NAGESWARA RAO NEAR SUBREGISTRAR OFFICE
AMBAJIPETA AMBAJIPETA MANDAL 533214 EAST
GODAVARI DISTRICT, A P
13. STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MEDICAL HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT
BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI.

14. THE COMMISSIONER, DEPARTMENT OF AYUSH,
VIJAYAWADA.
15. THE ANDHRA PRADESH PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,
VIJAYAWADA
16. DR SHAIK BAJI SHARIEF, S/O SHAIK SAIDUL SAHEB
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS R/O D NO 29 247
CHINNAGANNAGAPALEM, ADDANKI, PRAKASAM
DISTRICT
17. DR SK GOHARJAN, D/O SK JALABDEEN AGED ABOUT
27 YEARS R/O D NO G2 FIRST FLOOR MEGHANA
RESIDENCY OLD INDANE GAS ROAD GUDIVADA 521
301 KRISHNA DISTRICT
18. DR MANIPURI BRUNDA MADHURI, D/O MANIPURI
SANYASI RAO AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS, R/O D NO 141
A, MAIN ROAD, GURRAMVALASA VILLAGE, MANTADA
MANDALAM JAKKULVA, VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT
535 581
19. DR B SURYA PAVAN RAM, S/O B VEERABHADRAM
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS R/O D NO 567 BANDARU
VEEDI TATIPARTI 533 445 GOLLAPROLU MANDAL
EAST GODAVARI DISTRICT
20. DR GOWTHAM YALAMARTHI, S/O Y MURALI KRISHNA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS R/O OPP ST PETERS
LUTHERAN CHURCH TTD KALYANAMANDAPAM
ROAD H NO 741424/2 G3 RAJAMUNDRY A P
21. DR KARUMANCHI ABDUL BAJI, S/O KARUMANCHI
BALA SIDDIAH R/O D NO 19 MANKANAMPADU

VELIGANDIA MANDAL PRAKASAM DISTRICT 523 224
ANDHRA PRADESH

...RESPONDENT(S):

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IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 May be pleased to vacate the interim order granted in I.A. No. 3 of 2024 in W.A. No.1021 of 2024 dated 10.12.2024 in the interest of justice and to pass

Counsel for the Appellant(S):

1.CKR ASSOCIATES

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.S.MOHANA RAO

2.GP FOR SERVICES IV

3.THANDAVA YOGESH

4.V.VENKATA NAGA RAJU (SC FOR APPSC)

The Court made the following:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH
THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE ALAPATI GIRIDHAR
WRIT APPEAL NOS: 922 and 1021 of 2024

COMMON ORDER: *(Per Hon'ble Sri Justice D.Ramesh)*

1. Heard the learned counsel for the appellants and the learned counsel for the respondents.
2. The present Writ Appeals are preferred by the impleaded respondents in W.P.Nos.22958 of 2021 and 27616 of 2021, assailing the common order dated 28.03.2024 passed by the learned Single Judge.
3. The writ petitioners (appellants/respondents herein) approached this Court by filing the above writ petitions seeking a declaration that the action of the respondents in not considering their cases for absorption/regularization of their services and in issuing Notification Nos.8 of 2021 and 9 of 2021 dated 24.09.2021 without extending to them the benefits of concessions such as age relaxation, weightage of marks and other service benefits.

4. Upon considering the rival submissions, the learned Single Judge, by a common order dated 28.03.2024, allowed the writ petitions and issued, inter alia, the following directions in paragraph No.60:

60. In view of foregoing discussion, W.P.No.22958 of 2021 is allowed with the following directions:

a. The action of the respondents in not considering the cases of the petitioners for regularization/absorption of their services and issuing Notification No.9 of 2021 dated 24.09.2021 without according benefit of concessions like weightage of marks, age relaxation etc to the petitioners, who are working as Medical Officers on contract basis is declared as illegal and arbitrary.

b. The respondents/authorities are directed to verify the credentials of the petitioners and arrive at a decision, since they are working against vacant posts and if they are working for more than ten years and whether they are continuing in service pursuant to any interim order from any Court or Tribunal. In the event, it is found that the above condition is satisfied in respect of any of the petitioners, their services is to be regularized as an one time measure in consonance with paragraph-53 of the Judgment in Umadevi's case.

c. If the respondents found that any of the petitioners do not meet the aforesaid conditions, more particularly the condition that they are working against vacant posts, their cases are to be determined as to whether they are performing the same nature, quality and quantity of work as is being performed by a regular employee working against the same/corresponding posts. If upon the determination it is found that any such petitioner is performing the same nature, quality and quantity of work as is being performed by a regular employee working against the

same/corresponding posts, such petitioners are to be given

(i) benefit of age relaxation.

(ii) They shall be given the benefit of 10 marks in the ensuring selection process, while for every additional year that a contract employee had put in.

(iii) Benefit of one more mark subject to the ceiling of 8 additional marks be given. (as per University of Delhi vs. Delhi University Contract Employees Union).

d. The respondents are permitted to resume the recruitment process from the point where it was halt, taking into consideration the directions issued by this Court.

e. Consequently, I.A.Nos.1, 2 & 3 of 2022, shall stand closed.

f. In view of the detailed order passed in W.P.No.22958 of 2021, I.A.No.4 of 2022 becomes infructuous.

5. The appellants who applied pursuant to Notification Nos.08 of 2021 and 09 of 2021, both dated 24.09.2021, and participated in the selection process conducted for appointment to the posts of Medical Officers (Homoeopathy) in the AYUSH Department.

6. The appellants/respondents contend that they are unemployed candidates possessing the requisite qualifications prescribed under Notification Nos.8 of 2021 and 9 of 2021. If the writ petitioners are extended concessions such as weightage of

marks and age relaxation pursuant to the directions issued by the learned Single Judge, their rights and prospects in the recruitment process would be seriously prejudiced. Aggrieved by the said directions, they have preferred the present writ appeals.

7. During the course of hearing, it was brought to the notice of this Court that, pursuant to the directions issued by the learned Single Judge, the State Government examined the cases of the writ petitioners and, by proceedings dated 16.07.2024 rejected their claim for regularization/absorption. It was further brought to the notice of this Court that, thereafter, the recruitment process was completed, and the cases of the present appellants were considered, pursuant to which they were selected and appointed as Medical Officers.

8. The learned counsel appearing for the appellants fairly submitted that the appellants have no grievance with regard to the operative directions contained in paragraph 60 of the impugned common order. However, it was contended that the observations made in paragraphs 55 and 56 are contrary to the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Secretary, State of Karnataka v. Umadevi (3)**. It was further submitted that a

Coordinate Bench of this Court, while dealing with similar issues, had also taken note of the said decision in its interim order dated 21.11.2024. Accordingly, the learned counsel prayed that the observations in paragraphs 55 and 56 be expunged or set aside to bring them in conformity with the law declared by the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the Coordinate Bench.

9. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side and the subsequent developments, particularly the rejection of the writ petitioners' claims by the Government and the completion of the recruitment process with the appointment of the present appellants, this Court is of the considered view that the observations contained in paragraphs 55 and 56 of the impugned common order do not affect any accrued right of the appellants. If any person is genuinely aggrieved by the said observations, it is always open to such person to seek appropriate relief in accordance with law. Hence, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the observations contained in paragraphs 55 and 56 of the impugned common order.

10. In view of the above and the submissions made by the learned counsel for the appellants, nothing further survives for

consideration in these writ appeals. Accordingly, the Writ Appeals are closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

Consequently, all pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall also stand closed.

JUSTICE D.RAMESH

JUSTICE ALAPATI GIRIDHAR

Date: 15.07.2026

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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH
THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE ALAPATI GIRIDHAR

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Dated: 15.07.2026

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