

HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

MAIN CASE No: E.P.No.12 of 2024

PROCEEDING SHEET

Sl. No.	DATE	ORDER	OFFICE NOTE
36.	20.02.2026	<u>SK, J</u> <u>E.P.No.12 of 2024</u> Heard Sri J.Prabhakar, learned Senior Counsel appearing for Sri Anirudh Nellikonda, learned counsel for petitioner/election petitioner and Sri C.Raghu, learned Senior Counsel appearing for Sri R.Giri Kumar, learned counsel for the respondent No.5 in the election petition and perused the material on record. There is no representation for other respondents. In this matter, the issues were framed on 25.07.2025. The learned counsel for the Election Petitioner filed list of witnesses <i>vide</i> E.P.U.S.R.No.81143 of 2025 and the learned counsel for the respondent No.5 filed list of witnesses <i>vide</i> E.P.U.S.R.No.20802 of 2026. In exercise of the power vested under Rule 11-A of the Rules to regulate the Trial of Election Petitions under the Representation of People Act, 1951, this Court deems it necessary to appoint a Commissioner to examine parties and witnesses. Learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioner Sri J.Prabhakar and learned Senior Counsel appearing for respondents No.5 Sri C.Raghu, agreed to entrust to a Commissioner for this purpose. In view thereof, the following orders are passed. 1. Dr. T.Raghuram, District Judge (Retired) is appointed as Commissioner to examine	Transferred to I.O. folder before making corrections, if any. ...Contd

		witnesses on behalf of petitioner and respondents and to examine the parties. 2. The Commissioner is directed to complete the examination of witnesses and parties as expeditiously as possible by fixing the schedule of recording of evidence in advance. 3. Learned counsel appearing for parties are directed to cooperate with the Commissioner for early conclusion of examination of witnesses and parties. 4. The Registrar Judicial-1 shall prepare index of the case record. 5. The Registrar (Judicial-1) is directed to make arrangements for sitting of Commissioner and also make available the record of Election petition No.12 of 2024. He shall designate an Officer who shall assist the Commissioner in dealing with the record when recording of evidence takes place. He shall also provide Secretarial Assistance to the Commissioner. 6. The Commissioner is entitled to fee of ₹ 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand only) per effective sitting and ₹ 5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only) per non-effective sitting. Effective sitting means when evidence is recorded. Non effective sitting means on the hearing date, parties appear/do not appear and case is adjourned without recording evidence. The petitioner and fifth respondent shall bear the Commissioner fee	
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equally.

7. The Petitioner and the fifth respondent shall deposit ₹ 75,000/- (Rupees seventy five thousand only) each with the Registrar Judicial-I within one week from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
8. The Registrar Judicial-1 shall make available the record of Election Petition for verification by learned counsel for petitioner and learned counsel for respondent No.5 in the presence of Joint Registrar/Deputy Registrar as authorized by the Registrar Judicial-I. Such verification shall be completed before the commencement of recording of evidence.
9. The Registrar Judicial-1 is directed to communicate a copy of this order to Dr. T.Raghuram, District Judge (Retired).

Post this matter after eight (8) weeks.

List on 24.04.2026.

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SK, J