

HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

**MAIN CASE No: W.A.Nos.480, 491, 497 & 723 of 2026, 1233,
1234, 1235, 1240 and 1358 of 2025
PROCEEDINGS SHEET**

Sl. No.	Date	ORDER	OFFICE NOTE
4.	23.07.2026	<u>PSK,J & NNR,J</u> Counsel for the appellant : Mr. S Rahul Reddy, learned Special Government Pleader attached to the office of the learned Addl. Advocate General. Counsel for the respondent: Mr. Jogram Tejavat and Mr. J Sudheer. <u>I.A.No.1 of 2026</u> <u>IN</u> <u>W.A.Nos.480, 491, 497 and 723 of 2026</u> These are the applications filed seeking condonation of delays of 165, 169, 166, and 172 days, respectively, in filing the above writ appeals. These appeals have been preferred by the State Government challenging the order passed by the learned Single Judge on 07.10.2025. A bare reading of the affidavits filed in support of these applications for condonation of delay would show that the grounds raised are as vague as they could be. The applications appear to have been filed by the State Government without adequately addressing the requirements that are expected while preferring an application	

	supported by an affidavit seeking condonation of delay. It goes without saying that, whenever an application for condonation of delay is filed, the party concerned is required to furnish a plausible explanation and satisfactory justification, supported by cogent particulars and relevant dates, explaining the cause for the delay. In the present case, no such material is forthcoming from a reading of the affidavits filed in support of the applications seeking condonation of delay. On earlier occasions also, while dealing with similar applications, this Court has observed that the State invariably prefers appeals after considerable delay. Yet, when applications seeking condonation of such delay are filed, they seldom disclose any plausible explanation or satisfactory justification for the delay. In the present batch of writ appeals as well, we find it difficult to accept the explanation offered by the State for condonation of delay. However, on examining the factual matrix, we find that five writ appeals preferred by the private	
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	respondents in the writ petitions, namely, W.A. Nos. 1233, 1234, 1235, 1240, and 1358 of 2025, have already been admitted by this Court. Therefore, if those appeals are taken up for consideration on merits, it would not be appropriate at this stage to dismiss the present appeals preferred by the State solely on the ground of delay, since, in the event the writ appeals preferred by the private respondents are allowed, the ultimate consequence would substantially be the same. Accordingly, in the aforesaid circumstances, though reluctantly, we are inclined to allow these applications for condonation of delay, subject to the appellants paying costs of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) in each application to the Telangana State Legal Services Authority within a period of ten (10) days from today. Proof of such payment shall be produced before this Court by filing an appropriate memo. Let respondent No.1 recover this cost money after verification from the erring officer in order to ensure that the cost should not unnecessarily be borne from the State exchequer.	
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		<u>W.A.Nos.480, 491, 497 & 723 of 2026</u> It is also brought to our notice that another writ appeal filed by the State has since been numbered and has been adjourned to 05.10.2026. Let the said writ appeal also be listed along with this batch. Post these cases for admission on 05.08.2026 along with W.A. No. 677 of 2026. If the contempt proceedings are listed in the meanwhile, the hearing thereof shall stand deferred till after 05.08.2026. <u>W.A.Nos.1233, 1234, 1235, 1240 and 1358 of 2025</u> Post these cases on 05.08.2026. Meanwhile, the order of status-quo granted earlier to continue till the next date of hearing. _____ PSK,J _____ NNR,J AQS	
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