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**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD**

**FRIDAY, THE TWENTY FOURTH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE P.SAM KOSHY

CIVIL REVISION PETITION NO: 3470 OF 2025

Petition under Article 227 of Constitution of India aggrieved by the order dated 23.06.2025 passed in IA No.2267 of 2025 in O.S.S.R No.11174 of 2025 on the file of the Court of the Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Hyderabad.

Between:

Mrs.Nerella Swapna, W/o. Nerella Venkatesh, Aged about 40 years, Occ:
House wife, R/o: 16-3-989/C, Malakpet Post, Hyderabad - 500036

...Petitioner/Petitioner

AND

1. N. Venkatesh, S/o. N.V.S .R. Mohan Rao, Aged 40 years, Occ: Software Engineer, R/o.5/2, Gampalagudam.Post, Krishna . District, Andhra Pradesh State. - 521 403
2. N.V.S.R. Mohan Rao, S/o.Not Known, Aged about 70 Years, Occ: Gold Business, R/o 5/2, Gampalagudam.Post, Krishna . District, Andhra Pradesh State. - 521 403
3. Rachana Television Network Pvt. Ltd. (NTV), Represented by its Chairman/Authorized Person Sri.Narendra Chowdary, S/o.Not known, Aged about.Major, R/o. 564-A-19, Road No. 92, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana.State - 500034.
4. V6 News -VIL Media Pvt. Ltd, Represented by its Authorised Person Sri Ankam Ravi,S/o.Not known, Aged about Major, R/o.13/A/B/C, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana.State - 500034
5. Monica Broadcasting Pvt Ltd, (MAHA NEWS), Represented by its Managing Director, Sri.Vamshi Krishna.Marela, S/o. Not Known, Aged about .Major, Address. Plot No. 202, Road No. 75, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana.State - 500033
6. Shreya Broadcasting Pvt. Ltd. (TV5 News), Represented by its Managing Director Sri.Bollineni Ravindranath,S/o.Not known, Aged about .Major,R/o.Plot No. 92, Road No.1, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana.State-500033



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7. Associated Broadcasting Private Limited, TV9 Telugu News Channel, Represented by its Managing Director Barun Das, R/o. Plot No. 97, Banjara Hills, Road No. 3, SBI Executive Enclave, Green Valley, Hyderabad, Telangana State - 500034
8. Hyderabad Media Pvt. Ltd. (HMTV News Channel), Represented by its CEO/Authorised Person, Lakshmi, Aged about Major, R/o. Plot No. 1042, Road No. 52, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana State - 500033
9. Spoorthi Communications Pvt Ltd (10TV News Channel), Represented by its Managing Director, Sri K.Venugopal, S/o. Not known, Aged about Major, Address: Plot No. 1265, Road No. 36, Jubilee Hills Check Post Road, Hyderabad, Telangana State - 500033,
10. Indonesian Television Network, (I NewsChannel) Represented by its CEO/Authorised Person, Sr.Sravan Kumar Rao, S/o. Not Known, Aged about Major, Door No 1-65/2, Plot no 9, Kavuri Hills, Madhapur, Hyderabad, Telangana 500033
11. Indra Television Ltd, (Sakshi TV), Rep. by its Managing Director Smt.Y.S Brathi Reddy, W/o.Y.S.Jagan Mohan Reddy, Aged about Major, Address.6-3-249/1, Sakshi Towers, Beside Care Hospitals, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500084 Represented by its CEO/Chairman
12. Ushodaya Enterprises Pvt. Ltd. (E-TV, E- TV BHARAT), Rep. by its Managing Director Smt.Bharathi Cherukuri. W/o. Not Known, Aged about Major, Address: Ramoji Film City, RR Dist, Telangana - 501512
13. Telugu news channel, (T News), Represented by its M.D cum Authorised person Sri.Sundeep Jain, S/o. Not Known Telangana Bhavan, Road No.10, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad - 500034,
14. Benett Coleman and Company Limited, Times of India, (Samayam Telugu), Sri.Subbha Row.Chennuri, S/o. Not known, Aged about Major, R/o.H No. 8-2-351 Road No.3, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad - 500034.
15. Rakhee Broad Casting Pvt. Ltd., (19 News), Represented by its Managing Director, Authorised Person, Sri. S. Raj Kumar, S/o. Not Known, Aged about Major, R/o. H.No.67-1-74/2, 1st Floor, Ashok Nagar, Post.Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh - 533003
16. News 18 Telugu Channel, Represented by its M.D cum Authorised Person, Sri Rahul Joshi, S/o. Not known, Aged about Major, R/o. Network 18, Ramoji Film City, Abdulapurmet.Vlge, RR Dist, Telangana - 501512
17. Samhitha Broadcasting Pvt. Ltd, (Prime 9 News), Represented by its M.D cum Authorised Person, Sri. P.Venkateshwara Rao, S/o. Not Known, aged about Major, R/o.26, Nagarjuna Hills Rd, Mothi Nagar, Nagarjuna Hills, Punjagutta, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500082
18. Play Even Info Pvt. Ltd. (Suman TV), Represented by its M.D cum Authorised Person, Sri.Suman Dudi S/o. Not Known. Aged about Major, R/o. 8-2-293/82/A/69, Plot No69, Sri Ram Reddy's House, Park View Enclave, Jubilee Hills Check Post Rd, Hyderabad, Telangana-500033
19. I Dream Media, Represented by its M.D/Authorised Person Sri.Chinna Vasudeva Reddy, S/o. Not known. Aged about Major, R/o. Plot No 25, Phase



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- 1, Kamalapuri Colony, Sri Nagar Colony, Aurora Colony, Hyderabad, Telangana 500073
20. Telugu One @ (T One News), Represented by its Managing Director cum Authorised Person, Sri.Katamaneni Krishna Mohan S/o. Not Known, Aged about Major, R/o.8-3-988/34/7/2/1 & 2, Kamalapuri Colony, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500073
21. Andhra Prabha Publications Limited, Andhra Prabha Telugu Daily Newspaper, Represented by its Managing Director., Sri Mootha Goutam,S/o.Not Known, Aged about.Major, R/o. H.No 8-2-293/82/A/75, Plot No 75, Road No. 9, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500033.
22. Navatelangana Printers Pvt. Ltd, Nava Telangana Telugu Newspaper, Represented by its Authorised Person, Smt.Sudha Bhaskar,W/o.Not Known, Aged about Major,Address: Plot No.21/1, Near RTC Kalyanamandapam, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500020.
23. PIONEER TV, Rep.by its Managing Director Sri Anketi Kulkarni, S/o.Not Known, Aged about Major, Address. Flat No. 502, Diamond Black, #6-3-570/0/1-7, Lumbini Rockdale, Somajiguda, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500 082.
24. A.B.P DESAM, Represented by its Authorised Person. Sri.Avinash Pandey S/o.Known, Aged about Major, Address: FC -12, Film City, Sector 16A, Noida, Uttar Pradesh - 201301, India.
25. ASIA NET NEWS, Flat No. 202, 2nd floor, City Centre building, Himayatnagar, Telangana- 500 029. Represented by its CEO/Authorised Person.
26. DISHA (E- PAPER), Diamond, No.6-3-571/1, 1st floor, Hyderabad- T.S- 5000 082. Represented by its CEO/Authorised Person.
27. JAI TELANGANA, H.NO.1-2-607/32/63/A AMBEDKAR NAGAR, KAVADIGUDA SECUNDERABAD Hyderabad TG 500080 Represented by its CEO/Authorised Person.
28. News now telugu, Flat No. 202, 2nd floor, City Centre building, Himayatnagar, Telangana- 500 029. Represented by its CEO/Authorised Person.
29. AVG Network, Diamond, No.6-3-571/1, 1st floor, Hyderabad- T.S- 5000 082. Represented by its CEO/Authorised Person.
30. Google LLC/ You tube, Rep.by its C.E.O, Sri.Neal Mohan, S/o.Not Known, Aged about Major, Address: Google India Pvt. Ltd, Block 1, Divya Sree Omega, Survey No. 13, Kondapur Village, Hyderabad, Telangana., India. 500 084. (Respondent Nos.3-30 are not necessary parties)

...Respondents/Respondents



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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 consider the additional material papers as material papers filed in support of the CRP No 3470 of 2025.

**Counsel for the Petitioner : Ms B Rachna Reddy, Senior Counsel appearing for
Sri Mohd Baseer Riyaz**

Counsel for the Respondents: Sri Aduri Rujitha Mary (None Appeared)

The Court made the following: ORDER



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IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT
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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE P.SAM KOSHY

CRP.No.3470 of 2025

Date:24.04.2026

Between:

Mrs.Nerella Swapna

... Petitioner

And

N.Venkatesh and others.

...Respondents

ORDER:

Heard Ms.B.Rachna Reddy, learned Senior Counsel appearing for Mr.Mohd.Baseer Riyaz, learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the record.

2. The instant is the Civil Revision Petition which has been filed aggrieved by the order, dated 27.06.2025, passed in I.A.No.2267 of 2025 in O.S.(SR) No.11174 of 2025 on the file of the Chief Judge,City Civil Court, Hyderabad.

3. *Vide* the impugned order, the trial Court has rejected the application filed under Section 148 of the Civil Procedure Code, 1908 (for short "the C.P.C.") seeking for condonation of delay in representing the case file.



4. The petitioner herein is the plaintiff in the main suit before the trial Court and she has filed suit for damages on account of defamation. The petitioner and the respondent both are husband and wife and because of strained relations, disputes arose between two and certain cases are pending before the Family Court. In between, because of conduct of the respondents which, according to the petitioner amounts to defamation and a suit for damages was filed by the petitioner. However, it was returned on 19.06.2023 by the office of Civil Court on the ground of there being deficit Court fee and it was represented again on 28.06.2023. However, for the same default, it was returned. Thereafter, fresh application was filed only on 25.04.2025 along with application under Section 149 of C.P.C. seeking for permission of the Court to deposit the Court fees after the suit stands decided. There was delay of 660 days in resubmitting the bundle. The ground for delay was for the reason of ill-health of the petitioner who was suffering from severe lower back pain and was in also hospitalized on more than couple of occasions. Moreover, the petitioner was also at the initial stage of the suit was appearing in person and at the stage



when application under Section 149 C.P.C. was filed, she engaged an advocate to defend her case. The explanation provided by the petitioner was not found to be satisfactory by the trial Court and disallowed the same. As a consequence, the suit stands dismissed.

5. Learned Senior counsel for the petitioner submits that in the factual backdrop of the cause under which the suit was filed and ill-health of the petitioner that occur subsequently should not come in the way of suit itself being decided against the petitioner and was being rendered remediless for the relief she has sought for. The trial Court could have condoned the delay even on imposing of some minimal costs, more particularly, when the petitioner had filed petitions under Section 148 and 149 of C.P.C.

6. Learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that she has instructions where the petitioner, who is the plaintiff is even now ready to deposit the entire Court fees, if this Court gives liberty to her.

7. Considering the entire factual matrix of the case, and also taking note of the nature of the dispute and claim raised by the petitioner, this Court is of the considered opinion that if the suit is



not restored, the petitioner would be firstly denied of the remedy available for the so-called defamation that she has faced; secondly, the petitioner would not be in a position to pursue the claim any further before any other forum as it may either hit by principles of *res judicata* or the aspect of limitation may come in her way. Thus prayed for setting aside of impugned order and permit the petitioner to deposit the Court fee immediately and thereafter proceed further with the suit to be decided on its own merits.

8. Having considered the contentions of learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner, this Court is of the considered opinion that the impugned order deserves to be set aside at this juncture.

9. On the submissions made by learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is ready to deposit the entire Court fee, now this Court allows the applications viz., I.A.No.2267 of 2025 and I.A.(SR) No.11175 of 2025 filed under Section 148 and 149 of C.P.C. respectively permitting her to deposit entire deficit Court fees within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. In the event, if the said Court fees is deposited, let



the suit be registered and be proceeded on its own merits and decided as early as possible.

10. Accordingly, the Civil Revision Petition stands allowed. The impugned order dated 27.06.2025 is set aside. There shall be no order as to costs.

Consequently, miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

**SD/- B.REKHA RANI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

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To,

1. The Chief Judge, City Civil Courts, Hyderabad.
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3. One CC to Sri Aduri Rujitha Mary, Advocate [OPUC]
4. Two CD Copies

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HIGH COURT

DATED: 24/04/2026

ORDER

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ALLOWING THE CIVIL REVISION PETITION

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