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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI **[3209]**
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

TUESDAY, THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NINALA JAYASURYA

WRIT PETITION No: 12564 of 2026

Between:

1. BOLISETTI GOWRI MANI, D/o. SATYANARAYANA, AGE 51 YEARS, OCC:ADVOCATE, DOOR NO. 2-2-16/1A1, PITHAPURAM TOWN, PITHAPURAM MANDAL, KAKINADA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 533450.
2. ARSHIA FARHEEN, D/o.M.A.ASLAM, AGE 32 YEARS, OCC: ADVOCATE, DOOR No. 34/33, KUMMERI STREET, KURNOOL CITY, KURNOOL DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 518001.
3. GARA SUSEELA, D/o. RAMAKRISHNA RAO, AGE 51 YEARS, OCC:ADVOCATE, DOOR NO. 71-31-1308, KAKARALOVA, GANDHINAGARAM POST, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530005.
4. PYDA VIJAYA LAKSHMI, W/o.VIJAYA SANYASI RAO, AGE 68 YEARS, OCC:ADVOCATE, DOOR No. 8-4-53/1, SUNDARA PRASANTHI NAGAR, VISAKHAPATNAM CITY, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530016.
5. MALLELA NARMADA, D/o.VENKATA RAO, AGE 52 YEARS, OCC: ADVOCATE, DOOR No. 8-5-118, 6TH LANE, SIVA SADAN, GUNTUR CITY, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522002.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE BAR COUNCIL OF INDIA, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, 21, ROUSE AVENUE INSTITUTIONAL AREA, NEAR BAL BHAVAN, NEW DELHI - 110002.

2. THE BAR COUNCIL OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, GROUND FLOOR, HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH BUILDING, NELAPADU, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522239.

3. THE RETURNING OFFICER, ELECTIONS TO THE BAR COUNCIL OF ANDHRA PRADESH, BAR COUNCIL OF ANDHRA PRADESH, GROUND FLOOR, HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH BUILDING, NELAPADU, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522239.

4. M/S ROLLA MADHAVI, W/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC: BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. CHAGANTIVARI PALEM VILLAGE, MUPPALLA MANDAL, PALNADU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522408.

5. MRS JAMPANA SRIDEVI, W/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC: BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.23-51, ROAD NO-5, KAMALA NAGAR, DILSHUKNAGAR, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA - 500060.

6. MRS DONE MANJU LATHA, W/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC: BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.7-27, MADHURAVADA, VISAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530048.

7. MRS K DURGA NAGA SREE, W/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC: BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. FLAT. NO.301, VYTIA RESIDENCY, BALAJI NAGAR, SIRIPURAPU, VISHAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530003.

8. MRS RAGI GANGA BHAVANI, W/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC: BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.32-15-111B, FLAT NO 202, SRI TENNITIC APARTMENTS, MOGHALRAJAPURAM, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH - 520010.

9. MR AJAY KUMAR CHALASANI, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC: BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.40-10-28, RAMA PRIYA RESIDENCY, 5TH FLOOR, MAGHALRAJPURAM, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH - 520010.

10. MR KALIGINEEDI CHIDAMBARAM, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE. NOT KNOWN, OCC: BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. FLAT N0.3-A, 3RD FLOOR, RAJ RESIDENCY, FORTUNE MURALI PARK HOTEL ROAD, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH - 520010.

11. MR.ALURI RAMI REDDY, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE, NOT KNOWN, OCC, BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. 6-2-931, RAM NAGAR, ANANTAPUR, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515004.

12. MR.GORIMUCHHU SANTHA KUMAR, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE. NOT KNOWN, OCC. BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.26-27-216, FATHIMA NAGAR, AT AGRAHARAM, GUNTUR, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522004.

13. MR.VATTIJONNALA BRAHMA REDDY, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE. NOT KNOWN, OCC. BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. 26-29-51/A, OLD 1ST LANE, AT AGRAHARAM, GUNTUR, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522004.

14. MR.YALAMANJULA BALAJI, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE. NOT KNOWN, OCC. BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. FLAT NO.507, BULDING -5, APARNA ANARAVATHI ONE, TADEPALLI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522501.

15. MR B VENKATA KRISHNA REDDY, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE. NOT KNOWN, OCC. BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. 25-3-10, K. B. SINGH ROAD, N.R. PET, ELURU, WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 534006.

16. MR SRINIVASA RAJU VUPPALAPATI, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE. NOT KNOWN, OCC, BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.23-31-8, KOMMUVARI STREET, CHALLAPALLI VARI STREET, SATYANARAYANA PURAM, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH - 520011.

17. MR SUNKARA RAJENDRA PRASAD, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.33-14-2A, KODIYALA VARI STREET, SEETHA RAMA PURAM, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH - 520002.

18. MR K SRINIVASA REDDY, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. FLAT NO. 104, KNR PREDTEGE APARTMENTS TADEPALLI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522501.

19. MR N V SUMANTH, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER R/O. 202, SAI BALAJI ENCLAVE, 22, MLA AND MP COLONY, ROAD NO.LO-C, JUBLIHILLS, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA - 500033.

20. MR B RAVI, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. PLOT NO.51, KRISHNA RAJAPURAM, 1001 RING ROAD, VIZIANAGARAM, ANDHRA PRADESH - 535002.

21. MR BANDARU VENKATA RAMANA MURTY, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. D/4, DEEPANJALI APARTMENTS, WALTAIR UPLANDS, VISHAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530003.

22. MR GANTA RAMA RAO, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. RAIN TREE PARK APARTMENTS, MAPLE-324, NEAR ACHARYA NAGARJUNA UNIVERSITY, PEDAKAKANI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522510.

23. MR KIRTI RAMA JOGESWARA RAO, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, . R/O. 49-53-20/23, DIVYA SAKTHI APARTMENTS, BALAYYA SASTRY LAY OUT, VISHAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530013.

24. MR KOVVURI VENKATARAMI REDDY, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O.VILLA NO.68 B, ROCK FIELD VILLAS, KUNCHANAPALLI, TADEPALLI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522501.

25. MR SIRIPURAPU KRISHNA MOHAN, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. FLAT. NO.4C, UMA MAHESWARI APARTMENTS, NEAR SAMPATH VINAYAKA TEMPLE, KAILASA METTA, WALTAIR UPLANDS, VISHAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530003.

26. MR SATTU ANKAIAH, S/O. NOT KNOWN, AGE NOT KNOWN, OCC BAR COUNCIL MEMBER, R/O. 16/1967, SRINIVASA AGRAHARAM, VIJAYA MAHAL CENTER, NELLORE, ANDHRA PRADESH - 524001.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. Mr.PEETA RAMAN

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

Mr.P NARAHARI BABU

The Court made the following order:

The present writ petition is filed *inter alia* contending that the action of the respondents 2 & 3 in eliminating candidates including women candidates, from the zone of consideration on the basis of first preferential votes alone without counting and reckoning the subsequent preferential votes in the Election to the Bar Council of Andhra Pradesh for the year 2026, counting invalid ballot papers as valid, contrary to the Instructions to Voters dated 23.01.2026, and conducting the counting and declaration of results without following a fair, transparent and legally compliant counting procedure, as illegal etc.

2. Though Mrs. Saiaja Devi, learned counsel for the petitioners sought to advance arguments on merits, the learned counsel for the Bar Council of Andhra Pradesh Mr.Narahari Babu, placed copies of the order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition(Civil) No.1319 of 2023 dated 16.02.2026 etc; for perusal of the Court and referring to Order dated 18.05.2026 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition(Civil) No.589 of 2026, he submits that Bar Council of India constituted two Election Tribunals for adjudication of disputes arising out of Elections to the State Bar Councils. In view of the same, the petitioners may work out their remedies before the Grievance Redressal Forum upon the due constitution of the Election Tribunal.

3. In the light of the submission made by the learned counsel, more particularly as to the constitution of Tribunals pursuant to the order of the

Hon'ble Supreme Court, which is not disputed by the learned counsel for the petitioners, the writ petition is disposed of, leaving it open to the petitioners to work out their remedies before the appropriate Forum. No costs.

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

JUSTICE NINALA JAYASURYA

Dt. 23.06.2026
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