APHC010287602026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI **[3457]**
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE 3rd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

WRIT PETITION NOs. 15045/2026, 22660/2026, 22680/2026, 20398/2026, 21157/2026, 21268/2026, 21510/2026, 21846/2026, 21850/2026, 22375/2026, 10658/2026, 10658/2026, 11246/2026, 12122/2026, 12123/2026, 12991/2026, 15219/2026, 15061/2026, 15227/2026, 15228/2026, 15229/2026, 15230/2026, 15241/2026, 15242/2026, 15243/2026, 15247/2026, 15248/2026, 15249/2026, 15303/2026, 15330/2026, 15544/2026, 15553/2026, 15573/2026, 15650/2026, 15673/2026, 15680/2026, 15754/2026, 15782/2026, : 15914/2026, 16060/2026, 16115/2026, 16649/2026, 16859/2026, 18024/2026, 18399/2026, 20368/2026, 22192/2026, 22198/2026, 22320/2026, 22422/2026

WRIT PETITION NO: 15045/2026

Between:

1. MOHD KHALELUR RAHMAN, S/O. ABDUL KHUDDUS, AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS, OCC. EX.CORPORATORS, R/O. INAKUDURUPETA, MACHILIPATNAM.
2. MEER MOHD SAYEED,, S/O. MIR JAVEED ALI, AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS, OCC. EX.CORPORATORS, R/O. H.NO.3/313-2, INAKUDURUPETA, MACHILIPATNAM
3. MAREED NAGRAJ,, S/O. RAMASWAMY, AGED ABOUT 46YEARS, OCC EX.CORPORATORS R/O. H.NO.14/ 196/21, TEMPLE COLONY, MACHILIPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH.
4. K.SANTHOSH KUMAR,, S/O. RAMARAO, AGED ABOUT 46YEARS, OCC. EX.CORPORATORS, R/O. H.NO.9/738/ 1, BALARAMUNIPET, MACHILIPATNAM,ANDHRA PRADESH.
5. MOTHER KHAN,, S/O. VAREESKHAN, AGED ABOUT 28YEARS, OCC. EX.CORPORATORS, R/O. H.NO.30/305-1, MALAKAPATNAM, MACHILIPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH.
6. V.VENKATA KRISHNA,, S/O. MUNESWARA RAO, AGED ABOUT 54YEARS, OCC. EX.CORPORATORS, R/O. H.NO.9/6-1, GODUGUPETA, MACHILIPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, AMARAVATI, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522503.
2. MACHILIPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REP. BY ITS

COMMISSIONER, SRINIVAS NAGAR COLONY, MACHILIPATNAM, KRISHNA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 521001.

3. THE COMMISSIONER, MACHILIPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, SRINIVAS NAGAR COLONY, MACHILIPATNAM, KRISHNA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 521001.
4. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522503.
5. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, COLLECTORATE OFFICE, KRISHNA DISTRICT, MACHILIPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH - 521001.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue a Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order or direction, declaring the action of the Respondents in issuing Form-I under Rule S of Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996 calling for objections vide notification ROC No.1907/2026/G1, dated 17.5.2026 (as per the letter addressed to Eenadu) without considering the objections submitted by the petitioners in response to the increase of wards of the 2nd Respondent corporation from 50 to 60 pursuant to ROC No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 1.4.2026 issued under Clause - I of Sec.5 of AP Municipal Corporation Act and Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Fixation of Strength of Elected Members) Rules, 2005 as illegal and arbitrary and set aside the same and further direct the 2nd respondent to forward the objections made by the petitioners dated 23.5.2026 acknowledged on 23.5.2026 to the 4th Respondent as per Rule 10 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporation (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996 and further direct the 4th Respondent to consider the same after duly obtaining the views of the elected general body and pass

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 Pleased to grant Interim stay of all further proceedings pursuant to the notification ROC No. 1907/2026/G1, dated 17.5.2026 issued by the 2nd Respondent, pending disposal of the writ petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. SRIPATHI RAVI TEJA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR REVENUE
2. A S C BOSE (SC FOR MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AP)
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 22660/2026

Between:

1. POLU VEERA REDDY, S/O POLU VENKATA REDDY AGED ABOUT 42 YEARS, OCC. EX COUNCILOR R/O 2-6-86, BANDIA BAZAR,

JANGAMESWARAPURAM GURAZALA, PALNADU DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE GURAZALA NAGARA PANCHAYAT, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER GURAZALA TOWN, PALNADU DISTRICT.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING OPP. INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Gurazala Nagara Panchayat in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department dated 24.03.2026 the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-2, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Notification. No. 001/2026/G1, dated 17-05-2026, quite contrary, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of lndia/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles

14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-2, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Notification .No. 001/2026/G1, dated 17-05-2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively

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 Grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in Notification .No. 001/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. RAMALAKSHMANA REDDY SANEPALLI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 22680/2026

Between:

1. C.H. KRANTHI KUMAR,, S/O KOTESWARA RAO AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS, OCC EX COUNCILOR R/O 2-150, S.C.COLONY, MADANAPADU ROAD DACHEPALLI, PALNADU DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE DACHEPALLI NAGARA PANCHAYAT, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DACHEPALLI TOWN, PALNADU DISTRICT.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY. MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, , GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.

7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER. DOOR NO. 133,1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Dachepalli Nagara Panchayat in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-V, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25-04-2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Notification. Roc No. 86/2026/G1, dated 05-06- 2026, quite contrary, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of lndia/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1--J., dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc .No. 86/2026/G1, dated 05-06-2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively

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 stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in Roc .No. 86/2026/G1, dated 05.06.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. RAMALAKSHMANA REDDY SANEPALLI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 20398/2026

Between:

1. Y.VASU DEVA, S/O.Y.SANKARAIAH, AGED ABOUT 39YEARS, OCCU VICE CHAIRMAN TIRUPATI CO-OPERATIVE BANK,

R/O.D.NO 16-1-9,NETHAJI ROAD, TIRUPATI.

2. R.VENKATESWARLU, C/O.S.RAMA SWAMY, AGED ABOUT 56YEARS, OCCU FORMER CORPORATOR, R/O. D. NO 1 -4-473/G, HAMEED NAGAR,TIRUPATI.
3. PAIDE.CHANDRASEKHAR, S/OPVENKATRAMAIAH, AGED ABOUT 47 YEARS, OCCU BUSINESS, R/O.D.NO -137/2,PADMAVATHI NAGAR,TIRUPATI.
4. VEERANATHUR ANIL, S/O V .TIRUMALAIAH, AGED ABOUT 32YEARS, OCCU BUSINESS, R/O.D.NO 12-109,SREENIVASA NAGAR,TIRUPATI.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRAPRADESH, REP BY ITS PRI. SECRETORY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBANDEVELOPMENTDEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, A P - 522237
2. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D.NO.133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHIMUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA- 520010
3. THETIRUPATI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, TILAK ROAD,KOTRAMANGALAM, TIRUPATI - 517501
4. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRA TECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAMVILLAGE,MANGALAGIRIMANDAL-AP522502
5. THE UNION OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI -110011
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER OF INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAVAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110011
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS / CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVT. OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRAYA SADAN,SULTHAN BAZAR,KOTI,HYD-500095

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue a Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ order or direction, declaring the action of the Respondents in issuing Form-1 under Rule 8 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996 vide ROC No. 3963 / 2025 / G1 dated 18.05.2026,proposing delimitation /re-division of wards of Tirupati Municipal Corporation and calling for objections without duly considering the objections / suggestions submitted by the petitioners, as illegal, arbitrary and violative of the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations Act and the

Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996. It is further prayed that this Honble Court may be pleased to set a side the consequential proceedings issued pursuant to ROC No. 13032 / 2/ 2026 / HI-1 dated 25.04.2026 relating to the fixation of strength of elected members / wards of Tirupati Municipal Corporation and direct the 2nd Respondent to forward the objections submitted by the petitioners to the 4th Respondent in accordance with Rule 10 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996 and further direct the 4th Respondent to consider the same after obtaining the views of the elected General Body and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, and pass

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 Pleased to grant an interim stay of all further proceedings pursuant to the proceedings Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 07.04.2026, and any consequential proceedings relating to the delimitation of wards of the 3rd Respondent ~ Tirupati Municipal Corporation, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. P YUGANDHAR REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 21157/2026

Between:

1. ADIMALLA ABRAHAM, C/O VENKATA RATNAM AGED ABOUT 57 YEARS, OCC.BUSINESS, R/O. 6-2070, THORRAGUNTAPALEM, JAGGAYAPET,NTR DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE JAGGAYAPET MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, JAGGAYAPET, NTR DISTRICT. 521175
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.

5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP. INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Jaggayapet Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Form 1 Notification ROC No. 569/2026/G1 dated 17.05.2026 issued issued by jaggayapet municipality, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Form 1 Notification ROC No. 569/2026/G1 dated 17.05.2026 issued by Jaggayapet municipality issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively

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 Grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the the Form 1 Notification ROC No. 569120261G1 dated 17.05.2026 issued by Jaggayapet Municipality issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 21268/2026

Between:

1. BATHULA ANIL KUMAR,, S/O. NAGESWARA RAO, AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS, R/O. D. NO. 3-23-19, HARI PRASAD NAGAR, PERALA, CHIRALA TOWN AND MANDAL, BAPATIA DISTRICT, ERSTWHILE PRAKASAM DISTRICT-523157.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 502.
3. THE CHIRALA MUNICIPALITY, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, CHIRALA TOWN, BAPATLA DISTRICT, ERSTWHILE PRAKASAM DISTRICT - 523 155
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI -110 011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500 001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING. OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA - 520 010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate writ order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Chirala Municipality in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026,

the Circulars in Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc. No.1852/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of lndia/2027/Circular No.1 vide No. 9/36/2017- CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well- established legal to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed consequently set aside the G.O.Ms. No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dt. 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc. No.1825/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondents No. 1 to 3 herein respectively

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 grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the preliminary notification in Roc. NO.1825/2026/G1, dt. 17.05.2026 issued by the 3rd respondent, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition in the interest of justice

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. BATTULA SANJAIAH GANDHI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 21510/2026

Between:

1. POLA SRINIVASARAO,, S/O PERAIAH AGED ABOUT 47 YEARS, OCC EX COUNCILOR R/O 13-1-124, MACHERLA TOWN PALNADU DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE MACHERLA MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS

COMMISSIONER, MACHERLA TOWN , PALNADU DISTRICT.

4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY. MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO. 133 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Macherla Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars In Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1. dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 646/2026/G1, dated 18-05-2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well- established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 646/2026/G1, dated 18-05-2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively

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 rant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 646/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. RAMALAKSHMANA REDDY SANEPALLI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR MUNCIPAL ADMN URBAN DEV
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES

WRIT PETITION NO: 21846/2026

Between:

1. POCHIREDDY POCHIREDDY, S/O POCHIREDDY AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS, OCC.EX COUNCILOR-11THWARD, RIO. 1/270, NEAR RTC BUS STAND, JAMMALAMADUGU YSR KADAPA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE JAMMALAMADUGU MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, JAMMALAMAADUGU, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT..516434
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP. INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Jammalamadugu Municipality,YSR Kadapa District in the name of

delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC No.347/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in No.347/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents herein respectively

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 grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the ROC No.347/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 21850/2026

Between:

1. KURAVALAPALLE NAGIREDDY, S/O SUBBA REDDY AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS, OCC EX COUNCILOR-6THWARD, RIO. 2-3-113-3,KRANTHI NAGAR, KADAPA ROAD. YERRAGUNTLA, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, , PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP

OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.

3. THE YERRAGUNTLA MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, YERRAGUNTLA, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT,516309.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYASADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in YerraguantlaMunicipality,YSR Kadapa District in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC No.530-1/2025/G1, dated Nill.05.2026 , quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats AND Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, AND 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC No.530-1/2025/G1, dated Nill.05.2026 issued by the respondents herein respectively and to pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the ROC No.530-1/2025/G1, dated NilI.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above writ petition and to pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR MUNCIPAL ADMN URBAN DEV
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region

WRIT PETITION NO: 22375/2026

Between:

1. KC EKAMBARAM, S/O. HARIBABU, AGED 38 YEARS, R/O. REDDIGUNTA STREET, KAPU STREET, PUTTUR, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-517583.
2. DHARMAGARI JAYAPRAKASH,, S/O. JAYARAMAIAH, AGED 62 YEARS, R/O. 10- 76/1, RAMARAO COLONY, PUTTUR, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH- 517583.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, , REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETORY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR-522237.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, , PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH-522502.
3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, , TIRUPATI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-517002 .
4. THE PUTTUR MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, PUTTUR, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-571590.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, , MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD-500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue a writ, order, or direction, and more particularly, a writ in the nature of a Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondents in initiation of the process to alter the boundaries of wards within Puttur Municipality under the guise of delimitation, despite the existence of a statutory ban imposed on account of the ongoing 2027 census operations and also in issuance of the preliminary notification in Form-I, bearing Reference No. R.C.No.1227/Puttur Municipality/I, dated 18.05.2026 as well as the earlier Government Order in G.O.Ms.No.64, by the 1st respondent Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026 as illegal, arbitrary, unjust, and violative of Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India to set aside the same consequently suspend the operation of Form-1 preliminary notification vide R.C.No.1227/Puttur Municipality/I, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the 4th Respondent as well as the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, forthwith

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 suspend the operation of Form-1 preliminary notification vide R.C.No.1227/Puttur Municipality/!, dated 18-05-2026 issued by the 4th Respondent as well as the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration & Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026 pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. V SAI KUMAR

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR MUNCIPAL ADMN URBAN DEV
2. GP FOR REVENUE

WRIT PETITION NO: 10658/2026

Between:

1. MADAKA PARVATHI, W/O. APPALARAJU, AGED ABOUT 41 YEARS, D.NO. 1-193, JERRIPOTHULAPALEM VILLAGE, PENDURTHI MANDAL VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, PIN. 531 173.
2. MADAKA APPALARAJU, S/O KONDAIAH, AGED ABOUT 49 YEARS, D.NO. 1-193, JERRIPOTHULAPALEM VILLAGE, PENDURTHI MANDAL VISAKHAPATNAM, PIN. 531 173.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL

ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH PINCODE. 522502

3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, D.NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, MAIN ROAD, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA - 520010.
4. THE GREATER VISAKHAPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GVMC, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, VISAKHAPATNAM.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP. BY ITS REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, INDIA JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2-A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011
6. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to a) Issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondents herein in undertaking and proceeding with the process of delimitation/re-d ivision of wards in the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) after 31.12.2025 as illegal, arbitrary, violative of the statutory Rules in force and unconstitutional b) Declare that no jurisdictional changes, including alteration of municipal boundaries or ward delimitation, can be undertaken during the subsistence of the Census-2027 process and the period prescribed for freezing of boundaries c) Consequently, set aside G.O.Ms.No.65, dated 24.03.2026 and also consequential Circulars issued by the 2nd respondent in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026 and Roc.No.13032/2/202 6/H1-1 dated 07.04.2026 and consequential proceedings relating to delimitation/re division of wards in Greater Vishakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and consequently direct the respondents not to proceed with or give effect to any delimitation/re-division of wards in Greater Vishakhapatnam Municipal Corporation until completion of Census-2027 and finalization of jurisdictional boundaries in accordance with law Pass

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 pleased to stay all further proceedings relating to delimitation/re-division of wards in the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC), including all proceedings initiated pursuant to issuance of G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24.03.2026 and Consequential Circulars issued in

ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026 and Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 07.04.2026, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. NARASIMHA REDDY. G . L

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. JUPUDI V K YAGNADUTT(CENTRAL GOVERNMENT COUNSEL)
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. THE ADVOCATE GENERAL

WRIT PETITION NO: 11246/2026

Between:

1. YELUGULA MALLIKARJUNA RAJU, .S/O.Y.LAKSHMANA KUMAR, AGED 26 YEARS, RESIDING AT D.NO. 4-72-12, SRI SANTHI ASRAMAM PEDAWALTAIR, LB COLONY (POST), VISAKHAPATNAM - 530017
2. PRABHU SARATH GOLAGANI, S/O.VENU BABU GOLAGANI, AGED 33 YEARS, RESIDING AT HIG 82, S-5, VUDA COLONY, VINAYAKA NAGAR, PEDAGANTYADA, VISAKHAPATNAM - 530044
3. TELAGAREDDY SRINIVASA RAO, S/O.T.SUBBA RAO, AGED 54 YEARS, RESIDING AT 80 FEET ROAD, SRINIVASA NAGAR, AKKAYAPALEM, VISAKHAPATNAM - 530016
4. GUDIVADA PRABHAKAR, C/O.G.RAMANJANEYULU, AGED 58 YEARS, RESIDING AT D.NO 45-55-2/1, ABID NAGAR, AKKAYYAPALEM, VISAKHAPATNAM - 530 016
5. KAKI APPALA REDDI, S/O.APPALA NAIDU, AGED 58 YEARS, RESIDING AT D.NO.2-90, PALAVALASA, PEDAGANTYADA, VISAKHAPATNAM - 530 031

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, A.P. SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 238
2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, ROOM NO.149, BUILDING NO.1, A.P. SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 238
3. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER OF INDIA, OFFICE AT JANGANANA BHAWAN, 2-A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110 011 EMAIL RQI.RQI@NIC.IN
4. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION CDMA, OFFICE AT AP CRDA PROJECT OFFICE, 4TH FLOOR, RAYAPUDI POST, THULLUR MANDAL, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 237 EMAIL CDMA AD@CDMA.QOV.IN

5. THE GREATER VISAKHAPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GVMC, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE AT TENNETI BHAVAN, ASILMETTA JUNCTION, VISAKHAPATNAM - 530 002 EMAIL COMMISSIONER QVMC@YAHON
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATIONS, , ANDHRA PRADESH OFFICE AT 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAAR KOTI, FLYDERABAD - 500 095 EMAILDCO-AND.RQI@QOV.IN

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the circular issued by the 4th respondent vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1 -1 dated 01.04.2026 (along with the revised proceedings dated 07.04.2025), particularly, in directing for delimitation of wards in Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, during the freeze of administrative units owing to Census of India, 2027 operations as illegal, arbitrary, ultra vires the provisions of the Census Act, 1948 and the rules framed thereunder, contraryto the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996 and unconstitutional and for a consequential direction setting aside the circular issued by the 4th respondent vide ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026 along with the revised proceedings dated 07.04.2026 and to pass

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 pleased to suspend the operation of circular issued by the A* respondent vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1 -1 dated 01.04.2026, calling up on the S'" respondent to send proposals for delimitation of wards and to pass

IA NO: 2 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 pleased to direct the 4th respondent to stay all further proceedings in pursuance of its circular vide ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026 and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. MUPPANENI RAJESH

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. JUPUDI V K YAGNADUTT(CENTRAL GOVERNMENT COUNSEL)
2. GP FOR GENERAL ADMINISTRATION
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 12122/2026

Between:

1. CHITIKINA VENKATESWARAMA, W/O.NAGESWARA RAO, AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS, OCC- EX-MAYOR OF MACHILIPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, R/O-9/637,GOLLA ADANA STREET,

VTC MACHILIPATNAM, KRISHNA DIST, ANDHRA PRADESH,521001.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, AMARAVATI. 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, MANGALAGIRI. 522502.
3. MACHILIPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER. 521001.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring action of the Respondents more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the proceedings in Roc.No.l3032/2/2026/Hl-l dated 01.04.2026 and consequential circular dated 07.04.2026 as illegal, arbitrary and without jurisdiction.and consequently set aside the same, and pass

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 pleased to Stay in all further proceedings of all the respondents to Roc.No.l3032/2/2026/Hl-l dated 01.04.2026 and consequential circular dated 07.04.2026 pending disposal of the writ petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. SRIPATHI RAVI TEJA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. A S C BOSE (SC FOR MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AP)
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 12123/2026

Between:

1. PAKA SURESH, S/O. P. RAMATHEERHAM, AGED ABOUT 50 YEARS, OCC EX-MAYOR, KADAPA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, R/O. DOOR NO.59-144-4, NABIKOT, AKKAYAPALLI KADAPA CITY, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. UNION OF INDIA, REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI, 110001.
2. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
3. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL

SECRETARY MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.-522237

4. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, RAYAPUDI.522237
5. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATIONS, ANDHRA PRADESH GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE.500001
6. THE SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY AND STATE COORDINATOR CENSUS, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, (GPM AND AR) BUILDING NO.01, A.P.SECRETARIAT BUILDING, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238.
7. THE KADAPA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, KADAPA, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT. BY ITS COMMISSIONER.516001

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the order passed vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026, the Circulars issued vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026 and the Revised Schedules, dated 07.04.2026 and 25.04.2026 (Municipal Corporations), and all actions taken in pursuance thereof, as unconstitutional, illegal, arbitrary, unjust, irrational, violative of the Census of India 2027 - Circular No.1 dated 13.08.2025, violative of the Census Act, 1948, violative of the Census Rules, 1990, violative of Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India and violative of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1955 Consequently, set aside the order passed ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026 and the Circulars issued vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dated 01.04.2026 and the Revised Schedules, dated 07.04.2026 and 25.04.2026, issued by the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Rayapudi / Respondent No.4 (a) (b) vide (C) Direct the Respondent Nos.3 to 7 to not make any changes to the administrative units in the State while the process of Census 2027 is underway, and to restrain the Respondents from in any manner proceeding with ward delimitation during the Census boundary freeze period (01.01.2026 to 31.03.2027) and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings of delimitation of wards of

Kadapa Municipal Corporation, Kadapa, Y.S.R Kadapa District in pursuance of the Circular vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1 - 1, dated 01.04.2026 issued by the respondent No.4, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. V R REDDY KOVVURI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. JUPUDI V K YAGNADUTT(CENTRAL GOVERNMENT COUNSEL)
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 12991/2026

Between:

1. P.DASARDHARAMI REDDY,, S/O.KRISHNA REDDY AGED ABOUT 59 YEARS, OCC. MUNICIPAL VICE-CHAIRMAN R/O. NEAR RTO OFFICE, RAYACHOTY TOWN, ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. UNION OF INDIA, REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI, 110001.
2. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
3. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, , REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.-522237
4. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, RAYAPUDI.522237
5. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATIONS, ANDHRA PRADESH GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE.500001
6. THE SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY AND STATE COORDINATOR CENSUS, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, (GPM AND AR) BUILDING NO.01, A.P.SECRETARIAT BUILDING, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238.
7. THE RAYACHOTY MUNICIPALITY, RAYACHOTY, ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT. REP,, BY ITS (COMMISSIONER.516269

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus a) declaring G.O.Ms.No.64,

Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Order passed vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-2 dated 01.04.2026, the Circulars issued vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-2 dated 01.04.2026 and the Revised Schedules, dated 07.04.2026 and 25.04.2026 (Municipal Corporations), and all actions taken in pursuance thereof, as unconstitutional, illegal, arbitrary, unjust, irrational, violative of the Census of India 2027 - Circular No.1 dated 13.08.2025, violative of the Census Act, 1948, violative of the Census Rules, 1990, violative of Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India and violative of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1955 b) Consequently, set aside the order passed vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-2 dated 01.04.2026 and the Circulars issued vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-2 dated 01.04.2026 and the Revised Schedules, dated 07.04.2026 and 25.04.2026, issued by the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Rayapudi / Respondent No.4 c) Direct the respondents No.3 to 7 to not make any changes to the administrative units in the State while the process of Census 2027 is underway, and to restrain the Respondents from in any manner proceeding with ward delimitation during the Census boundary freeze period (01.01.2026 to 31.03.2027) and pass

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

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. V R REDDY KOVVURI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. JUPUDI V K YAGNADUTT(CENTRAL GOVERNMENT COUNSEL)
2. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15219/2026

Between:

1. ATAVUR RAHAMAN, S/O. SHAIK MAHABOOB, OCC.EX.VICE CHAIRMAN, AGE 65 YEARS, R/O. D.NO.6/1 LOA/4, MAIN ROAD,PATHA PETA, PEDANA, KRISHNA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION LIRBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDING, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT- 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, MANGALAGIRI - 522502.
3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, MACHILIPATNAM, KRISHNA DISTRICT - 521002.
4. THE PEDANA MUNICIPALITY, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER

PEDAMA, KRISHNA DISTRICT - 521366.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly a Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents in proceeding with the ward delimitation process pursuant to Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/HI-2 dated 01.04.2026 and Form-I notification without considering the objections submitted by the petitioner as illegal, arbitrary and contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act and the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Fixation of Strength of Elected Members) Rules, 2004, and consequently direct the respondents to consider the objections submitted by the petitioner dated 24.05.2026 before proceeding further with the delimitation process and to pass

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 pleased to grant interim stay of all further proceedings pursuant to Roc.No.l3032/2/2026/Hl-2 dated 01.04.2026 and consequential proceedings pending disposal of the above writ petition and to pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. RIZWAN ALI SHAIK

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES
2. THE ADVOCATE GENERAL

WRIT PETITION NO: 15061/2026

Between:

1. NARASIMHA PRATAP BHAGAVATULA, S/O. SURYANARAYANA MURTHY BHAGAVATULA, AGED ABOUT 46 YEARS, R/O. D.NO. 4-96/25/2 FLAT NO. 103, COASTAL HOMES, GOPALA KRISHNANAGAR, SUJATHA NAGAR, VISAKAPATNAM - 530051
2. PULIVARTY GEETHA,, C/O. SURYANARAYANA MURTHY BHAGAVATULA, AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS, R/O. D.NO. 4-96/25/2 FLAT NO. 103, COASTAL HOMES, GOPALA KRISHNANAGAR, SUJATHA NAGAR, VISAKAPATNAM - 530051

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETORY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR -522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA

PRADESH PINCODE 522502

3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D.NO.133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010
4. THE GREATER VISAKHAPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONGVMC, . REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, VISAKHAPATNAM, 530001
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY NEW DELHI-110011
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS, COMMISSIONER INDIA JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2AMANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI,HYDERABAD. 500095

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Greater Visakhapatnam municipal corporation in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Rc No 00165/2026/TP section /G1/G2on 17-5-2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No. 65 dated 24-03-2026, as illegal, arbitrary unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set-aside the the G.O.Ms.No. 65 dated 24-03-2026 and Form-1 Preliminary Notification vide Rc.No.00165/2026/TP Section /G1/G2 dated. 17-05-2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending census 2027can be done and pass

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 pleased to restrain the the respondents from issuing further proceedings including issuance of final notifications etc pertaining to delimitation/re-divisions of wards in the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation(GVMC), after suspending notification dtd 17-5-2026 and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. K S MURTHY ASSOCIATES

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. THE ADVOCATE GENERAL

WRIT PETITION NO: 15227/2026

Between:

1. K SYAMA SUNDAR RAJ, S/O.K.SHANMUGAM, AGED ABOUT 46

YEARS, OCC BUSINESS, R/O.H.NO.11-143/3, LAKSHMI NAGAR, PALAMANER MARKETYARD, PALAMANER, CHITTOOR, ANDHRA PRADESH - 517 408.

2. S.D. MURALI KRISHNA,, S/O. S.V.DAMODARACHARI, AGED ABOUT 47 YEARS, OCC BUSINESS, R/O.H.NO.13-71/A, LINGAYATH STREET, PALAMANER, CHITTOOR DISTRICT-517 408.
3. A.HEMANTH,, S/O. A.CHANDRA BABU NAIDU AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS, OCC BUSINESS, R/O.21-22/A, KASAI STREET, PALAMANER, CHITTOOR DISTRICT - 517 408
4. SHAIK MAHAMAD JAFFAR,, S/O. LATE SHAIK KHADER SAHEB, AGED ABOUT 56 YEARS, OCC BUSINESS, 24-75, AYYAKANNA STREET, NEWPET, PALAMANERU, CHITTOOR DISTRICT 517 408.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR - 522 238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRA-TECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522 502
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D. NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010
4. THE PALAMANER MUNICIPALITY, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, PALAMANER, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY NEW DELHI-110011
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD. 500095

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue a writ order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Palamaner Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification vide Roc.No.40/G1/2026, dated 17.05.2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.65,

Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, as illegal, arbitrary unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set-aside the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026 and Form-1 Preliminary Notification vide Roc.No.40/G1/2026, dated 17.05.2026 and pass

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 suspend the operation of preliminary notification vide Roc.No.40/G 1/2026, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the 4th Respondent as well as the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal .Administration & Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, forthwith, pending disposal of the above writ petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. K RAGHU VEER

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15228/2026

Between:

1. MADHAVARAM MALLIKARJUNA, S/O. LATE RAMASWAMY, AGED ABOUT 53 YEARS, OCC. EX-CORPORATOR, 10TH DIVISION, KADAPA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, R/O. DOOR NO.42/201-14 NGO COLONY, KADAPA CITY, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT.
2. SHAIK SHAMSHEER BASHA,, S/O. SHAIK ABDUL RAHAMAN, AGED ABOUT 60 YEARS, OCC. EX-CORPORATOR, 35TH DIVISION KADAPA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, R/O. D.NO.14/516-3-2, NAKASH STREET, KADAPA CITY, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT.
3. RACAHAMMALLU BALA SWAMY REDDY,, S/O. AGED ABOUT 61 YEARS, OCC. EX-CORPORATOR, 40TH DIVISION, KADAPA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, R/O. DOOR NO.67/95-12-7, SBI COLONY, MARIYAPURAM, KADAPA CITY, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT,

VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.

3. THE KADAPA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, KADAPA, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DEIHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING OPP. INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Kadapa Municipal Corporation in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026 and 07.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in R.C.No.T-632/Delimitation/G1/2026, dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations Act, 1955, the Census Act. 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and the instructions issued by the respondent No.2 through his Letter in Lr.Roc.No.13021/72/2025/H1 dated 10.09.2025 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in R.C.No.T-632/Delimitation/G1 /2026, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings inpursuance of the preliminary notification Rc.No.T- 632/Delimitation/G1/2026 on 18.5.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. V R REDDY KOVVURI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15229/2026

Between:

1. BOORAGALA ROBERT, J

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VEIAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 502.
3. THE TADIPATRI MUNICIPALITY, TADIPATRI, ANANTHAPUR DISTRICT, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER - 515 411
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA - 520 010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be

pleased tomay be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Tadipatri Municipality in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of lndia/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass such

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 grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification, dated 18.5.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass such

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. V R REDDY KOVVURI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15230/2026

Between:

1. SYEED FARHANA, W/O. SYED SHABBIR AGEDA ABOUT 45 YEARS, OCC. EX-WARD COUNCILLOR, WARD RAYACHOTY MUNICIPALITY, R/O. D.NO.29/79, ALIMABAD STREET, RAYACHOTY, ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT.
2. SHAIK FAYAZ BASHA,, S/O. ILIYAZ BASHA, AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS, OCC. EX- WARD COUNCILLOR, 31 WARD RAYACHOTY MUNICIPALITY, R/O. 66/161, NAYAB SABVEEDHI, RAYACHOTY, ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT.
3. SHAIK RIZWAN BASHA,, S/O. SHAIK KHADER BASHA, AGED

ABOUT 45 YEARS, OCC. EX-WARD COUNCILLOR, 5TH WARD RAYACHOTY MUNICIPALITY, R/O. D.NO.22/57-B, MOHAMMED PURA STREET, KOTHAPALLI, RAYACHOTY, ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE RAYACHOTY MUNICIPALITY, RAYACHOTY, ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER.516269
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING OPP.INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Rayachoty Municipality in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.271/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of

India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13,08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.271/2026/G 1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings inpursuance of the preliminary notification in Roc.No.271/2026/G 1, dated 18.5.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. V R REDDY KOVVURI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR-11879/AP/1223/2008
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15241/2026

Between:

1. GUDIDESI SRINIVASARAO, S/O. GUDIDESI PANDURANGARAO, AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS, OCC. POLITIITON R/O. H.NO.20C-1-29, BASU SIBIRAM ROAD, 12 PAMPULA CENTER, GANDHINAGAR, ELURU, WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT, AND ANDHRA PRADESH - 534002.
2. NUKAPEYYA SUDHIR BABU,, S/O. NUKAPEYYA SESHA GIRI RAO, AGED ABOUT 52 YEARS, OCC.POLITITION , R/O. D.NO.4-113, APHB COLONY, SATRAMPADU, ELURU (RURAL), WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 531007.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH PINCODE 522502.
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER

D.NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010.

4. THE ELURU MUNICIPAL CORPORATION EMC, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, ELURU-534001.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI - 110011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - 500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a 'Writ of Mandamus' declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Eluru Municipal Corporation in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Roc.No. 343115/2026/GI on 17-05- 2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026, as illegal, arbitraiy, unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Roc.No. 343115/2026/GI dated 17-05-2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending Census 2027 can be done and pass

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 pleased to grant Interim stay of all further proceedings pursuant to the notification Roc. No: 343115/2026/GI, dated 17.5.2026 issued by the 2nd Respondent, pending disposal of the writ petition, and pas

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. SRIPATHI RAVI TEJA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

The Court made the following:

WRIT PETITION NO: 15242/2026

Between:

1. CHANDAMURI NARAYANA REDDY, S/O. CHANDAMURI NARAYANA REDDY,AGED ABOUT 53 YEARS, OCC EX-WISE CHAIRMEN FOR

MUNICIPAL,R/O. D.NO. 30-773-4, TEACHERS COLONY, NEAR B.S.N.L. TOWER,DHARMAVARAM, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515671.

2. KUNTIMADDI CHANDRAYUDU, S/O. K. PAPANNA, AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS, OCC WEAVER R/O. PLOT NO. 1371-L3, KETHI REDDY COLONY, DHARMAVARAM, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515671.
3. MANIGE BALAKRISHNA, S/O. MANIGE SRI RANGAPPA, AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS, OCC WEAVER R/O. D.NO. 10-434-2, NAGULA BAVI VEEDHI, DHARMAVARAM, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515671.
4. MASAPALLI SAI KUMAR, S/O. MASAPALLI SREERAMULU, AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS, OCC EX-WISE CHAIRMEN FOR MUNICIPAL, R/O. D.NO. 10-719, LINGSETTY PALYAM STREET, DHARMAVARAM, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515671.
5. BESTHA RAVIKUMAR, S/O. B. KRISHNAPPA, AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS, OCC WEAVERS R/O.PTNO. 1715, POTHULANAGE PALLE COLONY, DHARMAVARAM, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515671

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522502.
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, D.NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA - 520010.
4. THE DHARMAVARAM MUNICIPALITY, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DHARMAVARAM, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515671.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI - 110011.
6. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATIONS / CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - 500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased tomay be pleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Dharmavaram Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Rc.No.263/2026Gl, on 17-05-2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026, as illegal, arbitraiy, unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Rc.No.263/2026G1, dated 18-05-2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending Census 2027 can be done and pass such

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 restrain the respondents from issuing further proceedings relating to delimitation/re-divisions of wards in the Dharmavaram Municipality (DM), after suspending notification Roc.No.263/2026Gl, dated 18-05-2026 and pass such

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. SRIPATHI RAVI TEJA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GUDAPATI LAKSHMI NARAYANA

WRIT PETITION NO: 15243/2026

Between:

1. TALISETTY VENKATESWARA RAO, S/0. BUCHHIYYA, AGED ABOUT 61 YEARS, OCC. EX COUNCILLOR, 13TH WARD, R/0.6-4-236/FI, MADHAVA NAGAR, BEHIND ANNAPURNA THEATER, PITHAPURAM.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT,. SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE UITRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.

3. THE PITHAPURAM MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, PITHAPURAM, KAKINADA DISTRICT.533450
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Pithapuram Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is a ban. due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.550/2026-G1, dated 17-05-2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats andMunicipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of lndia/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017- CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well- established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.550/2026-G1, dated 17-05-2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.550/2026-G1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. BAMMIDI SIDDA VENKATA SAI ARAVINDA BABU

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15247/2026

Between:

1. MOGHAL SAIFULLA BAIG, S/O. RASOOL BAIG, AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS, OCC EX CORPORATOR, 29 WARD R/O. 12-1-783, ASHOK NAGAR, ANANTAPUR.515001

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE ANANTAPURAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER ANANTAPURAM, ANANTAPURAM DISTRICT.515001
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM,

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased tomay be pleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Anantapur Municipal Corporation in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the

G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development G Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026 H1-1, dated 01.04.2026 and 07.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations Act, 1955, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017 CD CEN , dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and the instructions issued by the respondent No.2 through his Letter in Lr.Roc.No. 13021/72/2025/HI, dated 10.09.2025 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass such

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 grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the preliminary notification dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass such

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15248/2026

Between:

1. MOHAMMAD IMRAN KHAN, S/O. AGBAL BASHA, AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS, OCC. EX-CORPORATOR, ONGOLE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, R/O, 37-1-383-79, INDIRA COLONY, NEAR AMBEDKAR BHAVAN, ONGOLE, PRAKASAM DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT,

VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.

3. THE ONGOLE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER ONGOLE, PRAKASAM DISTRICT,523001
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011. .
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011. .
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Ongole Municipal Corporation in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026 and 07.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.2306/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations Act, 1955, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996, Census of lndia/2027/Circul ar No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and the instructions issued by the respondent No.2 through his Letter in Lr.Roc.No. 13021/72/2025/HI, dated 10.09.2025 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.2306/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the preliminary notification Roc.No.2306/2026/G1 on 18.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15249/2026

Between:

1. K GURAVAIAH, S/O. K. VENKATESWARLU , AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS, OCC. AGRICULTURE, R/O. H. NO. 123-4/6, K.V.R. COLONY, GUNTUR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522002.
2. A. VENKATA REDDY,, S/O.CHINA BALI REDDY, AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS, OCC. AGRICULTURE, R/O. FLAT NO. 5A, AMRUTHA GUNTUR RESIDENCY, 10TH LINE, ARUNDELPET, GUNTUR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522002.
3. MD. ANIL BASHA,, S/O. MOMHAMDAH OMAR, AGED ABOUT 57 YEARS, OCC. BUSINESS, R/O. D.NO. 17-19-321, ANANDPET, GUNTUR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 522003.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH PINCODE 522502.
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D.NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010.
4. THE GUNTUR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GMC, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, GUNTUR - 522003.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI NOON.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR

KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - 500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a 'Writ of Mandamus' declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Eluru Municipal Corporation in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Roc.No.343115/2026/Gl on 17-05- 2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026, as illegal, arbitraiy, unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026 and Forin-l Preliminary Notification vide Roc.No. 343115/2026/Gl dated 17-05-2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending Census 2027 can be done and pass

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 Pleased to grant Interim stay of all further proceedings pursuant to the notification Roc.No: 343115/2026/Gl issued by the 2nd Respondent, pending disposal of the writ petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. V CH NAIDU

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. VANKAYALAPATI N PRAVEEN SC For GNT,ONG,NLR Municipal Corporations
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15303/2026

Between:

1. SAIDHAR MAHESH, S/O. NAGESHWARA RAO, AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS, OCC BUSINESS AND EX-CORPORATOR, R/O.D.NO.64/43-L3-B-2, L.B.S. NAGAR, KURNOOL, A.P. - 518 001.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO M.A. AND U.D. DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 237.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR

DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 522 502.

3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE AT D.NO.133, 1 FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA, A.P. - 520 010.
4. THE KURNOOL MUNICIPAL CORPORATION KMC, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, 43/125, KURNOOL MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, N.R PETA, KURNOOL, KURNOOL DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 518 004.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI - 110 011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110 011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1 FLOOR, KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA - 500 095.
8. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, KURNOOL DISTRICT, COLLECTORATE LANE, OPP. GOVERNMENT GENERAL HOSPITAL, BUDHAWARA PETA, ALLURI SITARAMA RAJU NAGAR, KURNOOL, ANDHRA PRADESH - 518 002.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased tomay be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents more particularly the respondent nos.1, 2 and 4 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Kurnool Municipal Corporation limits in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing census 2027 operations by issuing impugned G.O.Ms.No.65 dt.24.03.2026, Circulars vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dt.01.04.2026 and 07.04.2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Roc. No.455597/2026/G1 dt.17.05.2026 as being illegal, arbitrary, unconstitutional, unwarranted, capricious, violation of principles of natural justice, in violation of provisions of Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporation Act, 1994 and rules made there under, in violation of provisions of Census Act, 1948 and in violation of Article 14, 19, 21, 243Q, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of Constitution of India and consequentially set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65 dt.24.03.2026, Circulars vide Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1 dt.01.04.2026 and 07.04.2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Roc. No.455597/2026/G1 dt.17.05.2026 issued by the respondent nos.1, 2 and 4 thereby directing them not to issue any such proceedings pertaining to delimitation process and changing of boundaries of wards in Kurnool Municipal Corporation limits pending census 2027 operations and pass

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 suspend the operation of the G.O.Ms.No.65 dt.24.03.2026, Circulars vide Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/H 1-1 dt.01.04.2026 and 07.04.2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Roc.No.455597/2026/G1 dt.17.05.2026 issued by the respondent nos.1, 2 and 4 thereby restraining them from issuing further proceedings including issuance of final notification pertaining to delimitation/re- division of wards in Kurnool Municipal Corporation limits and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MASALEGAR HIDAYATHULLA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. GP FOR REVENUE
3. N ASHWANI KUMAR
4. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15330/2026

Between:

1. MAJJARI VENKATA SUPBAIAH, S/O. MAJJARI SOMAIAH AGED 52 YEARS, R/O.D.NO. 10-4-62, RAGHUNADHAPURAM GUNTHAPALLE, BADVEL BADVEL MANDAL, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT
2. MAJJARI SUBBAIAH, S/O. MAJJARI CHENNAIAH AGED 32 YEARS, R/O.D.NO. 7/45, RAGHUNADHAPURAM GUNTHAPALLE, BADVEL BADVEL MANDAL, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT
3. MAJJARI CHINNA SUBBAIAH, S/O. MAJJARI NADIPI CHENNAIAH AGED 57 YEARS, R/D.D.NO. 7/54, RAGHUNADHAPURAM GUNTHAPALLE, BADVEL BADVEL MANDAL, YSK KADAPA DISTRICT

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGB, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE BADVEL MUNICIPALITY, BADVEL, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER.516269

4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHM 10011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Badvel Municipality in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc. No. 13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 2j705.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.508/G1/2026, dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of lndia/2027/Circular No.1 vide No. 9/36/2017-CD(C EN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well- established legal principhjs apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.508/G1/2026, da ed 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No. 1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the preliminary notification in Roc.No.508/G1/2026,dated 18.5.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. M SIVA KUMAR

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15544/2026

Between:

1. MAKIREDDY BULLIDORA, S/O M NOOKARAJU, AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS, OCC. EX COUNCILLOR, 15TH WARD, R/O. 14-1-130, PEDABODDEPALLI, KOTAURATLA ROAD, NARSIPATNAM.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE NARSIPATNAM MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, NARSIPATNAM, 531116
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP. INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Narsipatnam Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64,

Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc. No.13032/2/2026/H 1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No. 74/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc. No.13032/2/2026/H 1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No. 74/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No. 74120261G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. BAMMIDI SIDDA VENKATA SAI ARAVINDA BABU

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. LAKSHMI POTNURI CENTRAL GOVT COUNSEL
3. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES
4. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15553/2026

Between:

1. ARSHIA FARHEEN, D/O. M.A. ASLAM, AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS, OCC. EX-CORPORATOR, 4TH WARD R/O. D.NO.34-33, KUMMERI STREET, KURNOOL-518001, ANDHRA PRADESH.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.

3. THE KURNOOL MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, KURNOOL, KURNOOL DISTRICT.518001
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Kurnool Municipal Corporation in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification No. Roc No. 455597/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 as being contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations Act, 1955, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and the instructions issued by the respondent No.2 through his Letter in Lr.Roc.No.13021/72/2025/HI, dated 10.09.2025 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification No. Roc No. 455597/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. BACHINA HANUMANTHA RAO (CENTRAL GOVT COUNSEL)
4. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15573/2026

Between:

1. SHAIK SALEEM, S/O PEERA, AGED ABOUT 42 YEARS, OCC EX COUNCILLOR, 20TH WARD R/0, 7-503, ISLAM PET, MARKAPUR.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE MARKAPUR MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, MARKAPURAM, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT.523316
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Markapur Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64,

Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 528/G1/2026, dated 17- 05-2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 528/G1/2026, dated 17-05-2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 528/G1/2026, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. S SRAVANA SANDHYA (CENTRAL GOVT COUNSEL)
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
4. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15650/2026

Between:

1. GADDAM VENKATESWARLU, S/O. PEDA SAIDULI, AGEDA ABOUT 39 YEARS, OCC EX-WARD COUNCILLOR, 14TH WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.15-2-33, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
2. PEDDINTI VENKATESWARLU, S/O. YERUKALAIAH, AGED ABOUT 58 YEARS, OCC EX- WARD COUNCILLOR, 10TH WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.5-10-11, NAGARJUNA NAGAR, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
3. SANDEPOGU SUMAN, S/O. SANDEPOGU, AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS, OCC WARD PRESIDENT, 11 TO WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY,R/O. D.NO.11-06-76P , VENGALAREDDY NAGAR,

10TH WARD SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.

4. MADDI VENKATA NAGA MADHAVA, S/O. SANGAMESWARA RAO, AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS, BOOTH LEVEL AGENT, 7TH WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.7-1-2/1, STATION ROAD, LAKSHMI CINEMA THEATER, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
5. SEGGEM ANJANEYULU, S/O. CHINNA MALA KONDIAH, YAAGED ABOUT 41 EARS OCC WARD PRESIDENT 17THWARD SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. H.NO.13-4-11, SHALIVAHANA NAGAR, NEAR M.P.U.P. SCHOOL, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
6. SHAIK MOULALI, S/O. JOHN SAHEB, AGED ABOUT 49 YEARS, OCC EX-WARD COUNCILLOR, 29TH WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.23-4-64, NEW MASEED VEEDHI, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
7. SYED KHAJA, SIO. MOULALI, AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS, BOOTH LEVEL AGENT, 4TH WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.7-3-127, JENDA CHETU BAZAR, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
8. GANTA YESU BABU, S/O. SAMBASIVA RAO, AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS, OCC EX-WARD COUNCILLOR, 15TH WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.15-5-18, VADDAVALLI, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
9. VARIKALLU KOTESWARARAO, S/O. VELUGONDAIAH, AGED ABOUT 49 YEARS, OCC EX-WARD COUNCILLOR, 1ST WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.1-2-44/11, ASHOK NAGAR, 1ST WARD SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
10. KOTHAMASU GINI BABU, S/O. VENKATESWARLU, AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS, OCC EX-WARD COUNCILLOR, 7THWARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.1-2-44/11, ASHOK NAGAR, 1ST WARD SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403.
11. SHAIK MOHAMMAD RAFI, S/O. KHASIM, AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS, OCC BOOTH LEVEL AGENT, 7TH WARD, SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.8-7-58, CHINNA MASEED CENTER, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522403

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR

DISTRICT-522502.

3. THE SATTENAPALLE MUNICIPALITY, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, SATTENAPALLE, GUNTUR DISTRICT,522403
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A MANSINGH ROAD NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Sattenapalli Municipality in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc. No.13032/2/2026/H 1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.271/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc. No. 13032/2/2026/H 1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.271/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the preliminary

notification in Roc. No.271 /2026/G 1, dated 18.5.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. GOUTHAMI SURAPAREDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES
3. P PADMAVATHI (CENTRAL GOVERNMENT COUNSEL)
4. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15673/2026

Between:

1. MATHANGI THIPPANNA, S/O. PEDDA OBILESU, AGED ABOUT 69 YEARS (DOB 08/08/1956), CEC EX WISE MUNCIPAL CHAIRMEN, R/O. 185, SAL NAGAR, PUTTAPARTHI, SRI SATHYA SAL DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515134.
2. TUNGA OBULAPATHI,, S/O. T. SANNAYAPPA, AGED ABOUT 57 YEARS (DOB 01/06/1969), UCC EX MUNCIPAL CHAIRMEN, R/O. OPP. VENU GOPAL SWAMY TCMPLE, PUTTAPARTHI, SRI SATHYA SAL DISTRICT., ANDHRA PRADESH - 5L5134.
3. BESTHA RAMESH,, S/O. B. MUNNEPPA (LATE), AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS (DOB 01/07/1971), (LC BUSINESS, R/O. NEW BY PASS. N. PAIH ROAD, PUTTAPARTHI, SRI SATHYA SAL DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515134.
4. DUNGAVATH PARASHURAM NAIK,, S/O. D. LA MI RAM NAIK, AGED ABOUT 50 YEARS (DOB .1/01/1976), QCC EX COUNCILLOR R/O. 4-84A, 20TH WARD, BADENAIK THANDA, PUTTAPARTHI, SRI SATHYA SAL DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515134
5. B. MADHAVA REDDY,, S/O. BALI REDDY, AGED ABOUT 59 YEARS (DOB 10/06/1967), OCC CONTRACTOR, R/O. 4-3, PRASANTHI CRAM, BENTA PAULI, BEEDUPAILE, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515134

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH PINCODE 522502.
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D.NO.133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010.

4. THE PUTAPARTHI MUNICIPALITY PM, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, PUTTAPARTHI - 515134.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI - 110011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHARI BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - 500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Roc No 700/G1/2025 dated - 17.05.2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03- 2026, as illegal, arbitrary, unjust aria violative of ticles 14, 10 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Ro .No 700/G1/2025 dated - 17.05.2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no, changing of boundaries of wards pending Census 2027 can be done and pass

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 pleased to restrair the respondents from issuing further proceedings relating to delimitation/re-divisions of wards in the Puttaparthi Municipality (PM), after suspending notification dated Roc.No 700/G1/2025 dated - 17.05.2026 and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. SRIPATHI RAVI TEJA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15680/2026

Between:

1. A SIRISH KUMAR, S/O. ANANDA REDDY, AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS, OCC. POLITICIAN,R/O. D.NO. 1-509, VARADARAJULAPALLE TEMPLE, THIMMASANIPALLI VILLAGE, MADANAPALLE MANDAL,

CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 517002.

2. G. JAGADEESH,, S/O. GNAN SEKAR, AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS, OCC. POLITICIAN,R/O. D.NO. 5-849, D.B. STREET, SANTHAPETA, CHITTOOR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 517004.
3. C.H. SHUKUR,, S/O. C.H. MOHAMMED, AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS, OCC.POLITICIAN,R/O. D.NO. 28-1357/2, NEW BALAJI COLONY, CHITTOOR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 517001.
4. K. LOKANADHAN,, S/O. R. KASHI VISWANADHAN, AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS, OCC. POLITICIAN,R/O. D.NO. 5-1, KRISHNA SWAMY MODALIYAR STREET, DODDIPALLE, CHITTOOR, ANDHRA PRADESH - 517127.
5. M.D. IMRAN,, S/O. M.D. KARIMULLA, AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS, OCC. POLITICIAN,R/O. D.NO. 14-1202/1, COOLING PET, CHITTOOR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 517002.
6. K. NARAYANA MOORTHY,, S/O. S. KRISHNAMOORTHY, AGED ABOUT 47 YEARS, OCC. POLITICIAN,,R/O. D.NO. 6-527/2, NAGALAMMA KOIL STREET, MANGASAMUDRAM (RURAL), CHITTOOR NORTH, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 517004
7. P.G. JAYA GANESH,, S/O. LATE P V GOVINDASWAMY, AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS, OCC.POLITICIAN,E, R/O. D.NO. 32-503, NEHRU STREET, MURAKAMBATTU (V AND PO), GUDUPALLE MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 51712

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VIUAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH PINCODE 522502.
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D.NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010.
4. THE CHITTOOR MUNICIPAL CARPORATION PM, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, CHITTOOR - 522003.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI -110011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION,

ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - 500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a 'Writ of Mandamus' declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Greater Chittoor Municipal Corporation in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Roc No.13032/2/2026/Hl-l dated 18-05-2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026, as illegal, arbitrary, unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026 and Form- 1 Preliminary Notification vide Roc No.13032/2/2026/Hl-l dated 18- 05-2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending Census 2027 can be done and pass

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 pleased to restrain the respondents from issuing further proceedings relating to delimitation/re-divisions of wards in the Chittoor Municipal corporation (PM), after suspending notification Roc No:13032/2/2026/Hl-l dated 18-05-2026and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. SRIPATHI RAVI TEJA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP FOR GENERAL ADMINISTRATION
4. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15754/2026

Between:

1. VUTUKURU NAGARJUN, S/O. VUTUKURU MADHAVAIAH, AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS, OCC. CORPORATOR, 13TH DIVISION, NELLORE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, RIO. YALAMAVARIDINNE, CHINTHAREDDYPALEM, NELLORE, ANDHRA PRADESH.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY IS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522237.

2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522502.
3. THE NELLORE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, NELLORE, ANDHRA PRADESH., REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER. PIN 524003
4. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA - 520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly A Writ in the nature of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, declaring the action of Respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating and proceeding with the ward delimitation re-division exercise for Nellore Municipal Corporation by issuing the impugned Circular Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/H 1-1, dated 01.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification Roc No. 672614/2026/G 1, dated 17.05.2026 as illegal, arbitrary, and contrary to the Census Act, 1948, Census Rules, 1990, and Articles 14, 19, 21, 243R of the Constitution of India, and consequently set aside the same A direction to Respondents No. 1 to 3 to forthwith stay/suspend all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification Roc No. 672614/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 pending disposal of the Writ Petition A direction to Respondents No. 2 and 3 to retain the Smasana Vatika burial ground of Yalamavaridinne within the jurisdiction of the 13th Division/Yalamavaridinne locality in any future delimitation exercise Pass

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 Pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in furtherance of the Circular Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/H 1-1, dated 01.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification Roc No. 672614/2026/G 1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the Respondent No.2, pending disposal of the Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. PAPUDIPPU SASHIDAR REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15782/2026

Between:

1. PITTA BALAJI, S/O. LATE PITTA VENKATA RAMANA, AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS, OCC EX-WARD COUNSILLOR, 35TH WARD

PRODDATUR MUNICIPALITY, R/O. D.NO.5/279-B, VIJAYA NAGARAM STREET, PRODDATUR, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT.

2. P.M.VAMSEEDHAR REDDY, S/O. P.VIJAYA MUNI REDDYI AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS, OCCEX-WARD COUNSILOR, 28TH WARD PRODDATUR MUNICIPALITY, RIO. D.NO.28/415, RAMESWARM, PRODDATUR, Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE PRODDATURU MUNICIPALITY, PRODDATURU, Y.S.R KADAPA DISTRICT, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA REP, , BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERN MENTNMENT OF INDIA, IMINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Proddatur Municipality in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification, in Roc.No.897/2026/G2 dated 18.05.2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles

243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights ii guaranteed to us under Articles 14, 19, 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc, No.897/2026/G2 dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and pass su

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 leased to grant stay of all further proceedings inpursuance of the Preliminary Notification in Roc.No.897/2026/G2, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. V R REDDY KOVVURI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15914/2026

Between:

1. YARRAMSETTI VEERA VENKATA SATYANARAYANA RAMARAJU, S/O YARRAMSETTI SURYANARAYANA, AGED 50, R/O D.NO.33-1-44/1, KAVALA VANI SAVARAM, MUCHIMILLI, RAMACHANDRAPURAM, DR. B.R AMBEDKAR KONASEEMA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH PINCODE 522502.
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D.NO.133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010.
4. THE RAMACHANDRAPURAM MUNICIPALITY, REP BY ITS

COMMISSIONER, DR B.R AMBEDKAR KONASEEMA DISTRICT.

5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI - 110011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - .500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in Ramachandrapuram Municipality, Dr.B.R Ambedkar Konaseema District in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Roc No 81/2026/G1 dated 16-05- 2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.64 dated 24-03-2026, as illegal, arbitrary, unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64 dated 24-03-2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Roc No 81/2026/G1 dated 16-05-2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending Census 2027 can be done and pass

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 pleased to stay all further proceedings pursuant to preliminary notification vide Roc No:81/2026/G1 dated 16-05-2026 issued by 4th respondent and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. P VIVEK

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 15999/2026

Between:

1. KALAPALA AMBEDKAR, S/O. PRASAD RAO, AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS, OCC EX-CORPORATOR, 5TH DIVISION, R/O. 52-1-29, KALAPALA VARI VEEDHI, GUNADALA, VIJAYAWADA.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL

SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238

2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE VIJAYAWADA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, VIJAYAWADA, KRISHNA DISTRICT.520001
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Vijayawada Municipal Corporation in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification No. RC G1- 105884/2026, dated 17.05.2026 as being contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations Act, 1955, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996, Census of lndia/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and the instructions issued by the respondent No.2 through his Letter in Lr.Roc.No. 13021/72/2025/H I, dated 10.09.2025 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification No. RC G1-105884/2026, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP
3. S.V.S.S.SIVARAM SC For VMC

WRIT PETITION NO: 16060/2026

Between:

1. PARVATHAREDDY CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY, S/O. SUNDARA RAMI REDDY, AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS, OCC MEMBER OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, R/O. 27/2/1801, 3RD STREET, RAMJI NAGAR, NELLORE

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238 01
2. THE COMMISSIONER DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE NELLORE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, NELLORE, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.5240
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, , BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Nellore Municipal Corporation in name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.65, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification No. RC G1-105884/2026, dated 17.05.2026 as being contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations Act, 1955, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards) Rules, 1996, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and the instructions issued by the respondent No.2 through his Letter in Lr.Roc.No. 13021/72/2025/HI, dated 10.09.2025 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same and pass

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 leased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification No. Roc. No. 672614/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. VANKAYALAPATI N PRAVEEN SC For GNT,ONG,NLR Municipal Corporations
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 16115/2026

Between:

1. SHAIK CONTRACT GHOUSE BASHA,, S/O. PEDDA MASTAN, AGE 60 YEARS, OCC MUNICIPAL COUNCILLOR R/O. H. NO. 19-38/A, DABBA CENTER, VINUKONDA, PALNADU DISTRICT. A.P.
2. KOTHAMASU VENKATA SAMBASIVA RAO,, S/O. ANANTHA KOTAIAH, AGE 33 YEARS, OCC WARD MEMBER, R/O. 29-1350/1, KOTHAPETA, VINUKONDA, PALNADU DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH.
3. SHAIK ATTAR NAGURVALI,, S/O. KLIADER MASTAN, AGE 34 YEARS, OCC EXECUTIVE MEMBER, Y.S.R.C.P. PARTY, R/O. 19-652, HANUMAN NAGAR, VINUKONDA PALNADU DIST. ANDHRA

PRADESH.

4. SONALA PULLAIAH,, S/O. VEERA BRAHMAM, AGE 52 YEARS, OCC PRIVATE JOB, R/O. 11-59/1, NIMMALA BAVI BAZAR, VINUKONDA, PALNADU DIST. A.P.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPLE SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDING. VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DIST
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, MANGALAGIRI - 522 502. A.P.
3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, PALNADU DISTRICT, NARSARAOPET, A.P.
4. THE VINUKONDA MUNICIPALITY, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, VINUKONDA, PALNADU DIST. A.P.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased tomay be leased to issue an appropriate Writ Order, or direction more particularly a writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in proceeding with the Ward Delimitation process pursuant to Roc. No. 13032/2/2026/H1-2, dt. 01.04.2026 and Form-1 notification without considering the objections submitted by the petitioners by the 4th Respondent is illegal, arbitraiy and contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act and the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Fixation of strength of elected Members) Rules, 2004 and consequently direct the Respondents to consider the objections submitted by the petitioners dt. 19.05.2026 and 23.05.2026 regarding 4th respondent Municipality, Vinukonda Municipality before proceedings dt. 04.06.2026 further with the delimitation process and to pass such

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 grant interim stay of all further proceedings pursuant to Roc.No. 13032/2/2026/H1-2 dated 01.04.2026 and consequential proceedings pending disposal of the above writ petition and pass such

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. SHAIK KARIMULLA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR MUNCIPAL ADMN URBAN DEV
2. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES

WRIT PETITION NO: 16649/2026

Between:

1. SHAIK ABDUL KALAM BASHA, S/O. MAHABOOB SAHEB, AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS, EX- WARD COUNCILLOR OF 7TH WARD NANDYALA MUNICIPALITY, R/O. H.NO. 21-451D, FAROOK NAGAR, NANDYALA, NANDYALA DISTRICT.
2. BOLLI MUNAIAH, S/O. CHINNA NAGANNA, AGED ABOUT 61 YEARS. UNSUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE OF 1ST WARD, NANDYALA MUNICIPALITY, R/O. H.NO. 24-127, HARIJANAVADA, NANDYALA, NANDYALA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, VADDESWARAM, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522002.
3. THE NANDYALA MUNCIPALITY, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, NANDYALA, NANDYALA DISTRICT - 518501.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI -110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI -110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE - 500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, D.NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, 0PP. INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA - 520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue Writ or order or direction more particularly Writ in the nature of Writ Of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ declaring the action of Respondents No.1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Nandyala Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census - 2027 operation, by issuing G.O.Ms No. 64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, dated 24-03-2026, the 13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01-04-2026, 07-04-2026, 25-0ll-2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc No. 326/2026/G1, dated 18-05-2026 quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra

Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, the Census Rules, 1990, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, the Census of India Circular Circulars in Roc No. No.1 vide No. 9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13-08-2025 issued by Respondent No. 4 and also the well established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set-aside the G.O.Ms No. 64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, dated 24-03-2026, the Circulars in Roc No. 13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01-04-2026, 07-04-2026, 25-04-2026 and the Preliminary Notification in Roc No. 326/2026/G1, dated 18-05-2026 issued by the Respondents 1 to 3 herein respectively and pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in Roc No.326/2026/G1, dated 18-05-2026 issued by the 3 Respondent, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. PADALA VENKATA SRIRAM REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. Gudapati Lakshminarayana SC For Municipalities in Rayalaseema Region
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 16859/2026

Between:

1. PORALU SHIVAKUMAR, S/O. PORALU PARAMESWARAPPA, AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS, OCC STATE WEAVERS WING GENERAL SECRETARY, R/O. D.NO. 14-1-97, ACHE KAVERAPPA STREET, WEARSPET, RAYADURG, RAYADURG MANDAL, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515865.
2. PORALLU GOVINDARAJULU,, S/O. PORALLU LACHAPPA (LATE), AGED ABOUT 72 YEARS, OCC EX MUNCIPAL COUNCILLOR R/O. WARD NO. 1, PALABHAVI VEEDI, RAYADURG, ANANTHAPURAMUDISTRICT, ANDHRAPRADESH- 515865.
3. NAGAPPA CHUNCHULU,, S/O. MALLESAPPA, AGED ABOUT 67 YEARS, OCC ANNATHPURAM DISTRICT WEARS WINGS PRINTS ,R/O. D.NO. 1-3-321, PALABHAVI STREET, RAYADURG, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515865.
4. PERMI THIPPESWAMY,, S/O. PERMI SIDDAPPA, AGED ABOUT 47 YEARS, OCC YSRCPTOWN BOOTH CONVENOR , R/O. SHANTHINAGAR, RAYADURG, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 515865

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR - 522238.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH PINCODE 522502.
3. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER D.NO. 133, 1ST FLOOR NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA 520010.
4. THE RAYADURGAM MUNICIPALITY, REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER, RAYADURG, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT. CAUSE TITLE AMENDED AS PER COURTS ORDER DT. 21.07.2026 IN I.A.NO.2 OF 2026
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI - 110011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SUL THAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - 500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of wards in RAYADURGAM in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing Census 2027 operations and issuing preliminary notification Roc No 13032/2/2026/Hl-l dated 18-05-2026 and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026, as illegal, arbitrary, unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.65 dated 24-03-2026 and Form-I Preliminary Notification vide Roc No 13032/2/2026/Hl -l dated 18-05-2026 while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending Census 2027 can be done and pass

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

pleased to restrain the respondents from issuing further proceedings relating to delimitation/re-divisions of wards in the Rayadurgm Municipal corporation (PM), after suspending notification Roc No:90/2025/Gl dated 04-06.2026 and pass

IA NO: 2 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 permit the In view therefore prayed Petitioners herein to amend the description of Respondent No. 4 in the Title and Writ Affidavit Cause Title and Writ Petition Cause Title in W.P. No.16859 of 2026 as The Rayadurgam Municipality, Rep by its Commissioner, Rayadurg, Ananthapuramu District in the place of Ananthapur Municipal Corporation (PM), Rep by its Commissioner, Ananthapur, in the interest of justice, and to pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. SRIPATHI RAVI TEJA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. POTHAM VENGALA REDDY SC For M.Corporation in Rayalaseema region In
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 18024/2026

Between:

1. BAVIREDDY GOUTHAMI, W/O BAVIREDDY SATYA PRASAD, AGED 38 YEARS, OCC EX-COUNCILOR, R/O DANDIGAMA ROAD, SALUR, NEAR PREMA HOSPITAL, PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM DISTRICT

...PETITIONER

AND

1. STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI-522501.
2. COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522302.
3. STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DNO 133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPPOSITE INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, MG ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.
4. SALUR MUNICIPALITY, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, SRIKAKULAM TOWN, SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT-532182.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI-110001.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER OF INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAVAN, 2A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DEIHI-11001.

7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH, GOVERNMENTOF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR KENDRAYA SADAN, SUITHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD - 500095

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or order or direction, one more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus' declaring the action of the Respondents in initiating the of changing the boundaries of wards in Salur Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is ban due to ongoing census 2027 operations and issuing earlier G.O.Ms.No. 64 dated 24-03-2026 and issuing Form-1 Preliminary Notification vide R.O.C.No.151/2026-G 1 dated 17.05.2026, as illegal, arbitrary unjust and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set-aside the G.O.Ms.No. 64 dated 24-03-2026 and Form- I Preliminary Notification vide Form-1 Preliminary Notification vide R.O.C.No.151/2026-G1, while making it clear that no such proceedings can be issued and no changing of boundaries of wards pending census 2027 can be done and to pass

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 pleased to restrain the respondents from Issuing further proceedings including issuance of final notifications etc to delimitation/re-divisions of wards in the Salur Municipality, after suspending notification vide R.O.C.No.151/2026-G1 dated 17.05.2026 pending disposal of the above writ petition and to pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. M SOLOMON RAJU

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 18399/2026

Between:

1. BIRUDAVOLU VENKATA RAMANA REDDY, S/O.KOTI REDDY, AGED 76 YEARS, R/O. THE LAWYERS INN, D.NO. 16-4-128 KASTURI DEVI NAGAR, POGATHOTA, NELLORE-524 001, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRI. SECRETARY MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENTDEPARTMENT, A.P. SECRETARIATOFFICE, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILLS CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP

OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH. 3.

3. NELLORE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT. 4.
4. STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER, ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, 1STFLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.
5. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, NELLORE, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.
6. ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICERCUMREVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, NELLORE, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an Direction, more particularly one in theappropriate Writ, Order or nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents No. 1 to 3, in initiating and proceeding with the ward delimitation exercise for Nellore Municipal Corporation by issuing the Preliminary vide Roc No. 672614/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026,Notification proposing to redraw ward boundaries and increase wards from 54 to 72 in the Nellore Municipal Corporation, despite there being a mandatory boundary freeze in force due to the ongoing Census-2027 operations, and further on account of the arbitrary, unreasonable and unlawful manner in which the said delimitation has been carried out, contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Delimitation of Wards), Rules, 1996 and also in violation of The Hyderabad Municipal Corporations Act, 1955' (as applicable to all corporations under the A.P. Municipal Corporations 1994, under Section 14, the Census Act, 1948, as illegal, arbitrary, and contrary to the Census Act, 1948, Census Rules, 1990, and Articles 14, 19, 21, 243R of the Constitution of India, and consequently set aside the same and pass

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 leased to grant stay of all further proceedings in furtherance of the Circular Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification Roc No. 672614/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the Respondent No.2 and 3 respectively, pending disposal of the above writ petition and pas

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MADHAVA RAO NALLURI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. VANKAYALAPATI N PRAVEEN SC For GNT,ONG,NLR Municipal Corporations
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR

3. GP FOR REVENUE
4. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 20368/2026

Between:

1. NIMMAKAYALA SUDHEER KUMAR,, S/O SUDHAKAR AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS, OCC. EX COUNCILOR, 25TH WARD R/0. OLD RELLI VEEDHI, PARVATHIPURAM, PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM DISTRICT..

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE PARVATIPURAM MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, PARVATHIPURAM, PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM DISTRICT 530051.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP. INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased topleased to issue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Parvatipuram Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1,

dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in NO.175/2026/G1, dated 16.05.2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246,254,256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of Indla/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in No.175/2026/G1, dated 16.05.2026issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively and to pass

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 pleased to grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in NO.175/2026/G1, dated 16.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above writ petition and to pas

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES
3. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 22192/2026

Between:

1. THUPAKULA VENKATARAMANA, S/O LAKSHUMAIAH AGED ABOUT 52 YEARS, OCC EX COUNCILOR R/0. 1-1-123, RANGAREDDY STREET, PULIVENDULA, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE PULIVENDULA MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, PULIVENDULA, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT,516390.

4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYASADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in PulivendulaMunicipality,YSR Kadapa District in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC NO.565/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of lndia/2027/Cir cular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in No.565/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondents No.3 herein respectively and to pass such other order

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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 stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the ROC No.565/2026/G 1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 22198/2026

Between:

1. GUMMALLA RAGA MAHENDRA,, S/O RAMACHANDRA AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS, OCC. CULTIVATION, RIO. 2/84, BRAHMANA STREET, KAMALAPURAM YSR KADAPA DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MARIAALAAIRI MANDAL. GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE KAMALAPURAM NAGARA PANCHAYAT, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, KAMALAPURAM, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT,516289.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP BY ITS SECRETARY,REP., BY MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW PELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYASADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133, 1 ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order of Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Kamalapuram Nagara panchayat,YSR Kadapa District in the name of

delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/20 26/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC No.130/2026/G1, dated 16.05.2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well-established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in No.130/2026/G1, dated 16.05.2026 issued by the respondents herein respectively

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 grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the ROC No.130/2026/G1, dated 16.05.2026 issued by the respondents, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEDAPATI SANTOSH REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. N ASHWANI KUMAR
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

WRIT PETITION NO: 22320/2026

Between:

1. P G NEELAMEGHAM, , S/O LATE P.M GANAPATI MUDALIYAR, AGED 54 YEARS, R/O D.NO.11-1-1, 2ND STREET, CHINTHALAPATTEDA, NAGARI, NAGARI MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT-517590.
2. O.S RAMESH REDDY,, S/O SADHA SIVA REDDY, AGED 3-61C, NETHAM KANDRIGA, NAGARI, NAGARI MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT-517590.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETORY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR -522237.
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP

OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, ANDHRA PRADESH-522502.

3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-517002 .3.
4. THE NAGARI MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, NAGARI, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-571590.
5. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER INDIA, JANAGANANA BHAWAN, 2A MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
7. THE DIRECTOR CENSUS OPERATIONS/CITIZEN REGISTRATION, ANDHRA PRADESH GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRAYA SADAN, SULTHAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD-500095.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue a writ, order, or direction, and more particularly, a writ in the nature of a Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondents in initiation of the process to alter the boundaries of wards within Nagari Municipality under the guise of delimitation, despite the existence of a statutory ban imposed on account of the ongoing 2027 census operations and also in issuance of the preliminary notification in Form-I, bearing Reference No. R.O.C. No. 814/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 as well as the earlier Government Order in G.O.Ms.No.64, by the 1st respondent Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026 as illegal, arbitrary, unjust, and violative of Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India to set aside the same consequently suspend the operation of Form-1 preliminary notification vide R.O.C. No. 814/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the 4th Respondent as well as the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, forthwith

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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 suspend the operation of Form-1 preliminary notification vide R.O.C. No. 814/2026/G1, dated 18.05.2026 issued by the 4th Respondent as well as the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration & Urban Development (G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, forthwith pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. V SAI KUMAR

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR MUNCIPAL ADMN URBAN DEV

WRIT PETITION NO: 22422/2026

Between:

1. MADALA KIRAN KUMAR,, S/O ANJANEYULU AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS, OCC EX COUNCILOR R/O 16-512/1, GANGAMMA TEMPLE, PIDUGURALLA PALNADU DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522237
2. THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, PRIME HILL CREST, 4TH FLOOR, NEAR DGP OFFICE, BESIDE ULTRATECH READY MIX PLANT, VADDESWARAM VILLAGE, MANGALAGIRI MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522502.
3. THE PIDUGURALLA MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, PIDUGURALLA TOWN , PALNADU DISTRICT.
4. THE UNION OF INDIA, REP., BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110011.
5. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND CENSUS COMMISSIONER, 2/A, MANSINGH ROAD, NEW DELHI-110011.
6. THE DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, 1ST FLOOR, KENDRIYA SADAN, SULTAN BAZAR, KOTI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA STATE-500001.
7. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER, DOOR NO.133,1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRA GANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA-520010.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased toissue an appropriate Writ or Order or Direction, more particularly in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents No. 1 to 3 in initiating the process of changing the boundaries of Wards in Piduguralla Municipality in the name of delimitation though there is a ban due to ongoing Census-2027 operation, by issuing the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in Roc.No.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 24.05.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 114/2026/G1, dated 17-05-2026, quite contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, the Census Act, 1948, Articles 243R, 245, 246, 254, 256 and 257 of the Constitution of India, the Census Rules, 1990, the

Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Delimitation of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into Wards) Rules, 1994, Census of India/2027/Circular No.1 vide No.9/36/2017-CD(CEN), dated 13.08.2025 issued by the respondent No.4 and also the well- established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 19, and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently set aside the G.O.Ms.No.64, Municipal Administration and Urban Development(G) Department, dated 24.03.2026, the Circulars in ROC.NO.13032/2/2026/H1-1, dated 01.04.2026, 07.04.2026, 25.04.2026 and the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 114/2026/G1, dated 17-052026 issued by the respondents No.1 to 3 herein respectively

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 grant stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the Preliminary Notification in ROC.No. 114/2026/G1, dated 17.05.2026 issued by the respondent No.3, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. RAMALAKSHMANA REDDY SANEPALLI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR MUNCIPAL ADMN URBAN DEV
2. N ASHWANI KUMAR
3. SIREESHA RANI VALLABHANENI SC For MUNICIPALITIES

The Court made the following:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

WRIT PETITION NOs. 15045/2026, 22660/202 6, 22680/2026, 20398/2026, 21157/2026, 21268/2026, 21510/2026, 21846/2026, 21850/2026, 22375/2026, 10658/2026, 10658/2026, 11246/2026, 12122/2026, 12123/2026, 12991/2026, 15219/2026, 15061/2026, 15227/2026, 15228/2026, 15229/2026, 15230/2026, 15241/2026, 15242/2026, 15243/2026, 15247/2026, 15248/2026, 15249/2026, 15303/2026, 15330/2026, 15544/2026, 15553/2026, 15573/2026, 15650/2026, 15673/2026, 15680/2026, 15754/2026, 15782/2026, : 15914/2026, 16060/2026, 16115/2026, 16649/2026, 16859/2026, 18024/2026, 18399/2026, 20368/2026, 22192/2026, 22198/2026, 22320/2026, 22422/2026

COMMON ORDER:

1. The batch of writ petitions is filed challenging the proposed action of the respondent/state in undertaking the delimitation process of various Municipal Corporations and Municipalities in the State as violative of Circulars issued by the Registrar (General) and Census Commission, India and also contrary to the provisions of the Municipal Corporation and Municipalities Act, Census Rules and other applicable laws. In some of the writ petitions, the preliminary notification issued calling for objections to the proposed delimitation of wards is also under challenge.

2. WP.No.15061 of 2026 is argued as a lead case on behalf of the petitioners by Sri.K.Srinivasa Murthy; with the consent of the counsel appearing for the petitioners, the learned Advocate General appearing for the State, and Sri. Jupudi Yagnadut, learned Central Government Counsel, all the writ petitions are decided by a common order.

3. The learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that Circular No.1, dated 13.08.2025 is issued by the Registrar (General) and Census Commissioner, India, Census Division. It is submitted that the basic purpose of the Census is for enumeration of all the individuals in the country without any omission or duplication for preparation of a complete and updated list of all territorial entries in the Country. It is submitted that the Circular specifically mandates freezing of boundaries of administrative units for Census 2027 and that Clause 2(m) of the Circular prohibits change in the ward boundaries of a Town.

4. It is also submitted that when the Census process is underway, the respondent/state could not have undertaken the process of delimitation. It is also submitted that the Registrar (General) and Census Commissioner of India vide D.O. No.9/10/2025 C D (Cen), dated 27.06.2025 requested the Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories to issue necessary instructions to all concerned in their respective states/ Union Territories to ensure that no changes whatsoever are effected in the boundaries of Administrative Units during the period from 01.01.2026 to 31.03.2027. All jurisdictional changes made on or before 31st December, 2025 have been informed to the said Authority.

5. It is submitted that the State Government is very well aware that they are not entitled to change or alter the boundaries of a Ward during

01.01.2026 to 31.03.2027. The same is evident from the correspondence of the Commissioner and the Director of Municipal Administration issued to all the Collectors and District Magistrates in the State. It is submitted that paragraph No.6 of the said correspondence is categorically clear on the said aspect.

6. It is submitted that the respondent/state has amended the existing Rules of Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Fixation of Strength of Nagar Panchayats and Municipal Councils) Rules, 2004 and Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Fixation of Strength of Elected Members) Rules, 2005 based on population criteria for fixation of strength of elected members in Municipalities and Nagar Panchayats and Municipal Corporations in the State.

7. It is submitted that Rule 3 is amended by increasing the number of elected members as compared to GOMs.No.4, dated 03.01.2020 by taking the population as a criterion. It is submitted that GOMs.No.65, dated 24.03.2026 is contrary to the Rules. It is also submitted that the sanctity of census figures is ignored by issuing the notification proposing delimitation of the wards. It is also submitted that Schedule 7 of the Constitution of India is the Union List, and Census is listed at S.No.69 in List-1; as such, the State cannot trespass into the domain of the Union of India.

8. The learned senior counsel has placed reliance on the correspondence of the Commissioner and Principal Census Officer, G.V.M.C.,

Visakhapatnam addressed to the Director of Census Operations, Directorate of Census Operations, A.P. and Telangana, dated 30.01.2026, whereby a specific mention of a ward is made. It is submitted that a ward in a municipality or Municipal Corporation is an Administrative Unit and its boundaries cannot be altered when there is a specific instruction from the Registrar (General) and Census Commissioner of India to freeze the boundaries and not to alter them between 01.01.2026 and 31.03.2027.

9. The learned senior counsel placed reliance on **Pawan Sharma Vs. State of Meghalaya and Ors[1].** It is submitted that Gauhati High Court had considered the Ward as an Administrative Unit at paragraph No.4 of the Judgement. **State of Telangana and Others Vs. Kalluri Naga Narasimha Abhiram and Others[2].** It is submitted that the Legislative Field between Parliament and the Legislature of any State is divided by Article 246 of the Constitution of India and Parliament has the exclusive power to make laws with respect of any matters enumerated in List-1 of the 7th Schedule. It is submitted that the action of the State is contrary to the law of the land.

10. The learned Advocate General appearing for the State submits that Section 4 of the Census Act, 1948 would appoint a Commissioner of Census who is empowered to conduct a census throughout the area

[1] 1998 SCC OnLine Gau 212
[2] 2025 SCC OnLine SC 1880

and the Central Government is empowered to make Rules under Section 18 of the Act. It is submitted that the Act or Rules would not empower the Census Commissioner to issue any circulars prohibiting the delimitation of Wards.

11. It is submitted that Rule 8 (iv) of the Census Rules, 1990 freezes the Administrative boundaries of Districts, Tahsils, Towns, etc., from the date to be intimated by the Census Commissioner, which shall not be earlier than one year from the Census reference date and till the completion of the Census. It is submitted that the word etc., in the said Rule cannot be extended to a Ward in a Municipal Corporation or a Municipality. It is submitted that the word etc., in Rule 8(iv) denotes similar areas. The nomenclature of the Administrative Units in different states may vary according to the local nomenclature of the said Units. However, the same cannot be extended to a Ward.

12. It is also submitted that Rule 12 of the Census Rules would empower the Census Commissioner to issue General or Specific instructions or directions to the Principal Census Officers as may be necessary for efficient conduct and timely completion of Census operation. It is submitted that the power of the State for the constitution of the Municipalities is derived from Article 243Q and the composition of Municipalities from Article 243R and the Constitution and composition of ward committees from 243S. The power of the State for governing the Municipalities is derived from Part IX-A, Articles 243P to 243ZG.

13. It is submitted that the State has power to delimit the wards for proper representation of the residents of the Municipality or Corporation. In several Municipalities and Corporations, some villages were either merged into or de-merged from the Municipalities or Corporations, and without undertaking the delimitation process, the area cannot be determined for conducting elections. It is submitted that the geographical area of the Municipality or the Corporation or the territorial limits of the local bodies would remain unchanged in the delimitation process.

14. The learned Advocate General submits that the petitioners are trying to bring in the definition of an Administrative Unit as equivalent to a Ward also only to suit their purposes. It is also submitted that the petitioners have not pointed out their specific fundamental right which is violated by the proposed action of the State in undertaking the delimitation of the Wards. It is also submitted that no prejudice shall be caused to any of the petitioners; and their right to vote or right to contest is not affected.

15. It is submitted that it is also not the case of the petitioners that the Census authority has challenged the action of the State. The petitioners and all concerned could as well have submitted their objections to the preliminary notification and instead rushed to this Court to file the batch of writ petitions, only to hamper the delimitation of the wards with ulterior motives. The petitioners have also not

pointed out any violation of any Rule or Act for maintaining the writ petition.

16. The learned Advocate General submits that in all matters where preliminary notifications are under challenge, the Government intends to issue fresh notifications. The submission of the learned Advocate General is taken on record to that extent.

17. Sri. Jupudi Yugnadutt, learned Central Government Counsel appearing for the Union of India submits that the Union of India has filed a detailed counter and also placed on record the DO.No.9/10/2025 CD(Cen), dated 27.06.2025, whereby, the Registrar (General) Census Commission had issued instructions to ensure that no changes whatsoever are effected in the boundaries of Administrative Units during the period from 01.01.2026 to 31.03.2027. This Court requested the Central Government Counsel to obtain specific instructions as to whether a Ward is an Administrative Unit. Instructions dated 17.08.2026 have been filed before this Court, and the Ward is considered the lowest Administrative Unit in Urban Areas for Census and Census Data.

18. In reply, Sri.K.Srinivasa Murthy, learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that each ward is different and distinct with definitive jurisdiction. On a query from the Court as to whether the Census exercise is underway and has anything to do with the voting for the elections to the local bodies, the learned senior counsel fairly

submits that the Census exercise has nothing to do with the election process.

19. The learned senior counsel further submits that the Administrative Unit as understood by the Census Commissioner ought to have been uniformly addressed by the State and refrained from undertaking the delimitation process of the Wards.

20. Heard the learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioners, learned Advocate General appearing for the State and the learned Central Government Counsel appearing for the Union of India. Perused the material on record.

21. The proposal for undertaking the delimitation of wards would not redefine the territorial limits of the Municipality or Municipal Corporation, and each Municipality and Corporation has clear geographical boundaries or a specific area of Authority. The Municipality or the Municipal Corporation would have to be considered an Administrative Unit for issuing administrative orders. Each Municipality and Corporation shall carry out specific functions, such as revenue collection, development works, and other infrastructure development activities essential to the hassle-free living of citizens.

22. An Administrative Unit is distinct, and a Ward cannot be considered as an Administrative Unit in a Municipality or a Corporation, as there is no separate office establishment for each of the Wards in any Municipality. The Wards do not collect the revenue by issuing the

necessary receipts on behalf of the particular ward. The tax collected or any revenue or any amount paid to the Municipality or Municipal Corporation would be acknowledged in the name of the Municipality or Corporation as applicable. Thus, the Wards collectively form a Municipality or Corporation, and the Municipality/Corporation would be an Administrative Unit for all purposes.

23. A Grama Panchayat would have to be considered as an Administrative Unit the Administrative Office of each Grama Panchayat regulates the collection of tax, providing basic amenities to the residents of village and other related activities. Geographically a Ward in a Corporation may be equal to or greater than the geographical area of more than one Grama Panchayat. However, on account of no separate statutory power vested in each of the Wards of the Municipality/ Corporation for passing orders or governing the business of the Ward, a Ward in a Municipality/ Corporation cannot be treated as an Administrative Unit.

24. The Circular issued by the Central Government freezing the boundaries of Administrative Units for Census 2027 has to be considered only for Census and Census data. The same cannot be made applicable to the delimitation of wards. The Municipality/Corporation is created and delineated by specific acts. The decisions of the Municipality/Corporation regarding sanitation, water supply, tax collection, and street lighting are all executed by the Administrative Unit, i.e., the Municipality/Corporation.

25. When the geographical area or the territorial limits of Municipality/ Corporation would remain unchanged on account of delimitation of Wards. This Court is of the considered view that no prejudice shall be caused to the petitioners and the fundamental right to vote in the ensuing local body election is in any way not impacted. The process of delimitation has nothing to do with the ongoing Census and the Census exercise is unconnected with the Voting in the ensuing elections. The petitioners, anyway, have the option of submitting their objections to the fresh notification, which, as submitted by the learned Advocate General, shall be issued. On these considerations, this Court is of the considered view that the writ petitions are not maintainable and deserve to be dismissed.

26. Accordingly, the writ petitions are dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel, miscellaneous applications pending, if any, shall stand closed.

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JUSTICE HARINATH.N

Date : 03.09.2026
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Whether the order is:

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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

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Date : 03.09.2026

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