

The Hon'ble Sri Justice C.V.Nagarjuna Reddy

Writ Petition Nos.36028, 36034 & 34155 of 2015

Dated 05.11.2015

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Between:

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WP.No.36028/15

M.Prabhakar Reddy

... Petitioner

WP.No.36034/15

Naresh Kumar Avasthi

... Petitioner

WP.No.34155/15

G.R.Karunakar and another

... Petitioner

and

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The State of Telangana

rep. by its Prl.Secretary

(Municipal Administration & Urban Development)

(C-I Department) and another.

...Respondents

Counsel for the petitioner (WP.No.36028/15): Mr.Indrakaran Reddy,

Sr. Counsel for Mr.K.Lakshman

Counsel for the petitioner (WP.No.36034/15): Mr.Indrakaran Reddy,
Sr. Counsel for Mr.P.Devender

Counsel for the petitioner (WP.No.34155/15): Mr.K.S.Murthy

Counsel for the respondents: Advocate-General (TS)

The Court made the following:

Common Order :

These three Writ Petitions have been filed assailing the reduction of number of wards from 200 to 150 in respect of the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation for the forthcoming elections.

At the hearing, the learned Advocate-General for the State of Telangana placed before the Court, G.O.Ms.No.123 Municipal Administration & Urban Development (C1) Department, dated 28-09-2015, whereunder the State Government has amended Rule 3 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Fixation of Strength of Elected Members) Rules, 2005.

As reduction of the number of wards to 150 is based on the above amendment, the petitioners would not be entitled to any relief unless the above Rule is questioned. Having realised this fact, the learned Counsel for the petitioners have agreed for closing the Writ Petitions with liberty to their clients to file fresh Writ Petitions for questioning the validity of the said Rule.

In view of the above, the Writ Petitions are closed with liberty to the petitioners in terms of the prayer made.

As a sequel to closure of the Writ Petitions, Miscellaneous Petitions, pending if any, stand disposed of as infructuous.

(C.V.Nagarjuna Reddy, J)

Dt: 5th November, 2015

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