

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT HYDERABAD
FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AND THE STATE OF ANDHRA
PRADESH

MONDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF FEBRUARY TWO
THOUSAND AND SIXTEEN

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Present

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE P.NAVEEN RAO

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WRIT PETITION No.16386 of 2012

Between:

M. Murali, S/o. M. Subrahmanyam,
Aged about 40 years & 20 others

.. Petitioners

AND

Srikalahasthi Municipality,
Srikalahasthi, Chittoor District,
Rep. by its Commissioner

.. Respondent

The Court made the following:

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ORDER:
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The petitioners are employees of Srikalahasthi Municipality. The grievance of the petitioners in this writ petition is that they have been working on contract basis. The petitioners apprehended that the respondent Municipality is taking steps to replace the petitioners by new set of contract employees and such action is illegal.

2. The facts on record would disclose that the petitioners being employees of Srikalahasthi Municipality their grievance is a service grievance with reference to their employment in the respondent Municipality. The adjudication of the service disputes concerning Municipalities are vested in the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal constituted under the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985, and the petitioners have to invoke the jurisdiction of the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal to seek redressal of their grievance. Thus, the writ petition is not maintainable.

3. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is dismissed, leaving it open to the petitioners to work out their remedies as available under the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985. There shall be no order as to costs. Miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending in this writ petition, shall stand closed.

P.NAVEEN RAO, J

Date: 8th February, 2016

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