

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.V.NAGARJUNA REDDY
AND
HON'BLE SMT JUSTICE K.VIJAYA LAKSHMI

WRIT PETITION No.33284 of 2017

Date:05.10.2017

Between:

The Commissioner of Panchayt Raj and
Rural Development, State of A.P.,
Vijayawada and another.

..... Petitioners

And:

Syed Khaja Sirdar,
S/o S.Abdul Khuddus

.....Respondent

Counsel for the petitioners: GP for Services (AP)

The Court made the following:



ORDER: (*per Hon'ble Sri Justice C.V.Nagarjuna Reddy*)

This Writ Petition is filed for *Certiorari* to quash order, dated 10.7.2014, in Original Application No.8802 of 2011 on the file of the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal at Hyderabad (for short 'the Tribunal').

By the afore-mentioned order, the Tribunal set aside memo No.6693/CPR&RE/A1/2011, dated 05.9.2011, issued by the petitioners and issued a direction to them to issue orders granting notional promotion to the respondent from the date his immediate junior was promoted as Mandal Parishad Development Officer on regular basis. While we do not find any error in the impugned order of the Tribunal, we also notice that the same was passed as far back as 10.7.2014. No reasons whatsoever have been assigned by the petitioners for their approaching this Court with a delay of more than three years. The law is well settled that a person who is not diligent in pursuing his cause, is not entitled to invoke the discretionary jurisdiction of this Court under Article-226 of the Constitution of India. (See *Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board and Ors. Vs. T.T.Murali Babu*¹)

As the petitioners failed to offer any explanation whatsoever for the inordinate delay in filing the Writ Petition,

¹ 2014 (4) SCC 108

we are not inclined to entertain the same for adjudication on merits.

The Writ Petition is, accordingly, dismissed.

As a sequel, WPMP.No.41400 of 2017 stands dismissed as infructuous.

JUSTICE C.V.NAGARJUNA REDDY

JUSTICE K.VIJAYA LAKSHMI

05th October 2017

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