

**THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE P. NAVEEN RAO**

**WRIT PETITION No.29712 OF 2018**

Dated:29.08.2018

Between:

Sri Pulakandam Pardhasaradhi Sarma,  
S/o. Lat eSri P. Surayanarayana,  
Hindu, aged about 52 years, Occ: Archaka,  
R/o.6-6-5/1, Peethala Veedhi, Chinawaltair,  
Vasakhapatnam .. Petitioner

And

The State of Andhra Pradesh, rep., by its  
Principal Secretary, Endowments  
Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi,  
Guntur and others .. Respondents



**The Court made the following:**

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Heard.

2. Petitioner was appointed as Archaka in the 5<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple in the year 2001. According to petitioner, he was deputed to the 6<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple in the year 2008 and has been continuing in the said Temple. While so, by proceedings, dated 08.01.2018, petitioner was repatriated to the 5<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple. Challenging the said proceedings, this Writ Petition is filed.

3. According to learned counsel for the petitioner, there was no sufficient income in the 5<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple and petitioner developed the 6<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple with all his hard work and therefore there is no justification to repatriate him to the 5<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple after more than ten years.

4. Learned Standing Counsel for respondents 5 and 6 – Temples submits that there is a requirement of second Archaka in the 5<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple, as it has seven deities and it is difficult for one Poojari to look after all the sister Temple units.

5. Admittedly, the parent unit of the petitioner is the 5<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple and he has been working only on deputation in the 6<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple. According to Fundamental Rule 110, a person can be on deputation for a maximum period of five years, whereas in the case on hand, petitioner was on deputation for double the period.

6. Further, as the petitioner was earlier working in the 5<sup>th</sup> respondent – Temple and his repatriation is to the parent unit, the order of repatriation cannot be interfered merely on the ground that petitioner worked long time in the 6<sup>th</sup> respondent - Temple.

7. Having regard to the same, the Writ Petition is dismissed.  
Pending Miscellaneous Petitions shall stand closed.

***P. NAVEEN RAO, J***

Date:29.08.2018

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