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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

TUESDAY, THE 6th DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

WRIT PETITION NO: 28806 OF 2026

Between:

1. K B GEETHA, W/o.Dastagiri, aged about 35 years, Occ Anganwadi Helper, R/o. Boodagavi Village, Uravakonda Mandal, Anantapur District.

...Petitioner

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, Rep. By its Principal Secretary, Department for women, children, Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, Secretariat, Amaravathi, Guntur District -522238.

2. The District Selection Committee of Anganwadi Workers, Anantapur District, Rep. by Chairman, District Collector, Anantapur, Anantapur District -515001.

3. ICDS Project Director, Women Development and Child Welfare Department District Committee of Anganwadi Workers, Anantapur, Anantapur District - 515001.

4. The Child Development Officer, ICDS Project, Uravakonda, Anantapuram District -515812.

...Respondents

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 to issue any Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly one in the nature of Writ of MANDAMUS declaring the action of the respondents 2 to 4 in not promoting the petitioner as Anganwadi worker of Boodavi Village Center-I, Uravakonda Mandal, I.C.D.S Project, Uravakonda, Anantapur District is illegal, arbitrary, unjust and violative of Article 14 and 15 of Constitution of India and guidelines relating to appointment of Anganwadi workers and G.O.Ms.No.5 dated 13-3-2026 Department for Women, Children, Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, and consequently direct the respondents 2 to 4 to promote the petitioner from Anganwadi Helper to Anganwadi worker in the above center.

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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 consider representation dated; 22-9-2026 and promote the petitioner as Anganwadi worker of Boodavi Village Centre-I, Uravakonda Mandal, I.C.D.S Project, Uravakonda, Anantapur District, Pending disposal of the writ petition.

Counsel for the Petitioner: INENI VENKATA PRASAD

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR WOMEN DEV CHILD WELFARE

The Court made the following order:

Whether the order is :

Speaking Yes/No / Reasoned Yes/No
Reportable Yes/No / Non-Reportable Yes/No

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

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ORDER:

1. The present Writ Petition is filed questioning the action of Respondent Nos.2 to 4 in not considering the case of Petitioner for promotion to the post of Anganwadi Worker, Boodagavi Village Center-I, Uravakonda Mandal, I.C.D.S. Project, Uravakonda, Anantapur District, as illegal and arbitrary.

2. The Petitioner was appointed as Anganwadi Helper in the year 2015. While so, in course of time, the Anganwadi Worker had retired from service in June, 2026 and the Petitioner being senior most Anganwadi Helper has submitted a representation on 22.09.2026 to the Respondent-authorities for consideration of her case for promotion to the said post. As the said representation is not being considered, the present Writ Petition is filed.

3. Learned Assistant Government Pleader for Women Development and Child Welfare Department Sri P.L.V.S. Prasad would submit that the revised guidelines for promotion to the post of Anganwadi Worker were issued by the State Government *vide* G.O.Ms.No.5, Department for Women, Children, Differently Abled

and Senior Citizen (Prog.I), dated 13.03.2026 and the representation of the Petitioner would be examined in terms thereof.

4. Heard the counsels.

5. Considering the submissions, the Writ Petition is disposed of, directing the Respondents to consider the case of Petitioner for promotion to the post of Anganwadi Worker at Boodagavi Village, Uravakonda Mandal in terms of G.O.Ms.No.5, dated 13.03.2026, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of two (2) months from today.

6. No order as to costs.

As a sequel, miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed.

NYAPATHY VIJAY, J

Date: 06.10.2026

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HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

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