HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE PURUSHOTTAM KUMAR CHINTALAPUDI

Writ Petition No.30981 of 2026

ORDER:

The present Writ Petition is filed questioning the action of 6th respondent (Returning Officer, Chimakurthy Mandal) in declining and refusing to accept the nomination form of the petitioner for the post of Mandal Parishad Territorial Consititency (MPTC), Kunamanenivaripalem Village (KV Palem), Chimakurthy Mandal, Prakasam District on the ground that the petitioner name was not reflecting in the electoral roll and consequently, to direct the respondents to accept the nomination form of the petitioner by verifying the voter list of 31st July, 2026 and any other latest existing voters list.

2) Heard Sri S. Siva Rama Krishna Prasad, learned counsel for the petitioner, Sri Kolla Trinath, representing Sri N. Aswani Kumar, learned counsel appearing for The State Election Commission, Andhra Pradesh-Respondent No.2 and Smt. A. Jayanthi, learned Government Pleader for Home, appearing through virtual mode.

3) The grievance of the petitioner is that his name in electoral roll was reflected as per Ex.P3 voters list. As per page No.22, Sl.No.219

his name is not reflected. His further grievance is that the returning officer has been rejecting his application with the observation that in the voters list, the name of the petitioner is not reflected.

4) Learned counsel representing the State Election Commission would submit that the petitioner can make a representation to the department and the authority would look into the matter and take appropriate action. He submitted that, they made a request to Election Commission of India, to provide voters list as on the date of notification dated 19.10.2026. Upon receiving such voters list, the returning officer would consider the representation of the petitioner.

5) In reply, learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the name of the petitioner was reflected in the electoral roll dated 11.03.2026, prior to notification dated 19.10.2026.

6) In the circumstances, with consent of both counsels, the Writ Petition is disposed of with following directions.

i) The petitioner is permitted to make a representation to the State Election Commission through authorized modes available or otherwise at the District and State level including to the Returning Officer.

ii) The respondent No.6/his authorized persons on receiving such representation, consider the representation of the petitioner,

basing on the electoral roll submitted by the Election Commission of India, by following the due procedure, and permit to file nomination subject to verification of electoral roll.

7) With the above direction, the Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel, miscellaneous applications, if any, pending in the present Writ Petition shall stand closed.

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JUSTICE PURUSHOTTAM KUMAR CHINTALAPUDI

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Date:22.10.2026
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