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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI **[3460]**
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

TUESDAY, THE 27th DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

WRIT PETITION NO: 31170/2026

Between:

1. GEDDAM DILEEP, S/O. G. PYDIRAJU AGED 38 YEARS, OCC ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (CONTRACT) DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE DR. YSR ARCHITECTURE FINE ARTS UNIVERSITY KADAPA, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 516005.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P. SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503
3. DR YSR ARCHITECTURE FINE ARTS UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR KADAPA, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 516005

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 topleased to issue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working at Andhra University for the purpose of treating him eligible to the post of Associate Professor in Architecture discipline that was advertised by the 2nd Respondent by way of Notification No.2/Dr.YSRAFU/Associate Professor and Professor/Regular/2026 dated 15.05.2026 as arbitrary, illegal, unconstitutional and violative of Council of Architecture Minimum Standards of Architectural Education Regulations, 2020 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity as Assistant Professor in

Andhra University as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor pursuant to recruitment Notification dated 15th May, 2026 issued by the Respondent University and pass

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 pleased to direct the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of "Associate Professor" in 3rdRespondent University that was advertised vide NotificationNo.2/Dr.YSRAFU/Associate Professor & Professor/Regular/2026 dated 15.05.2026without reference to the ineligibility list, pending disposal of the above writ petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR SERVICES III

WRIT PETITION NO: 31172/2026

Between:

1. DR VUNDRAKONDA HARI BABU, S/O. V.SUBBA RAO AGED 57 YEARS, OCC. ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (ON CONTRACT) DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AU COLLEGE OF ARTS, ANDHRA UNIVERSITY VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH - 530003.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P. SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503
3. ANDHRA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530003

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 toissue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working against the substantive

sanctioned post of an Assistant Professor Lecturer in the very same 3rd Respondent University for the purpose of treating him eligible to the post of 'Associate Professor' in 'Political Science and Public Administration' discipline that was advertised by the 3rd Respondent by way of Notification No.S.II(1)/6849/1-790/2026(4)dated 15.05.2026as arbitrary, illegal, un-constitutional and violative of UGC Regulations, 2018 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity as Assistant Professor as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor in pursuant to recruitment Notifications dated 15th May, 2026 issued by the Respondent University

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 direct the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of "Associate Professor" in 3rd Respondent University that was advertised vide Notification No.S.II (1)/6849/1-790/2026(4) dated 15.05.2026with0ut reference to the ineligibility list pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR SERVICES III

WRIT PETITION NO: 31174/2026

Between:

1. VITHANALA VENKAT SATYA RAMA KRISHNA,, S/O. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY, AGED 54YEARS, OCC ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (ON CONTRACT) DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, ANDHRA UNIVERSITY, VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 530003.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P. SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503
3. ANDHRA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH 530003

4. VIKARAMA SIMHAPURI UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR KAKUTURU VILLAGE, VENKATACHALAM MANDAL NELLORE, NELLORE DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH 524320
5. ABDUL HAQ URDU UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, D. NO. 5-2, K.C. BUILDING PANDIPADU, KURNOOL. ANDHRA PRADESH 518002
6. SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR ANANTHAPURAMU, ANANTHAPURAMU DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH 515003

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 topleased to issue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working against the substantive sanctioned post of an Assistant Professor Lecturer in the very same 3rd Respondent University for the purpose of treating him eligible to the post of Associate Professor in Economics discipline that was advertised vide Notification NoSII16849179020264 dated 15052026 Notification No4VSUAssociate ProfessorsRegular2026 dated 15052026 No 1DAHUUProfessor Associate ProfRegular2026 dated 15052026 No4SKUProf Asso Prof Regular2026 dated 14052026 by 3rd 4th 5th and 6th Respondent Universities respectively as arbitrary illegal unconstitutional and violative of UGC Regulations 2018 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity as Assistant Professor as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor in pursuant to recruitment Notifications dated 15t 14thMay 2026 issued by the Respondent Universities and pass

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 pleased to direct the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of "Associate Professor" in 3rd to 6th Respondent Universities that was advertised vide Notification No.S.II(1) /6849/1 790/2026(4)dated 15.05.2026; Notification No.4NSU/ Associate Professors/ Regular/2026, dated 15.05.2026; No. 1/DAHUU/Professor & Associate Prof./Regular/2026, dated 15.05.2026; No.4/SKU/ Prof. &Asso. Prof. Regular/2026, dated 14.05.2026 respectively without reference to the ineligibility list, pending disposal of the above writ petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. O UDAYA KUMAR SC For S K UNIVERSITY
2. GP FOR SERVICES III

WRIT PETITION NO: 31175/2026

Between:

1. DR. PALISETTY AMMATHALLI NAIDU,, S/O. ARJUNA AGED 44YEARS, OCC ASSISTANT PROFESSOR DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF ANDHRA PRADESH ANANTHAPURAMU, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 515701.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P. SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503
3. ANDHRA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH 530003
4. VIKARAMA SIMHAPURI UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR KAKUTURU VILLAGE, VENKATACHALAM MANDAL NELLORE, NELLORE DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH 524320
5. ABDUL HAQ URDU UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, D. NO. 5-2, K.C. BUILDING PANDIPADU, KURNOOL. ANDHRA PRADESH 518002
6. SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR ANANTHAPURAMU, ANANTHAPURAMU DIST. ANDHRA PRADESH 515003

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 toissue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working against the substantive sanctioned post of an Assistant Professor in Adi Kavi Nannaya University and as 'Research Associate' for the purpose of treating him eligible to the post of 'Associate Professor' in 'Economics' discipline that was advertised vide Notification No.S.II(1)/6849/1- 790/2026(4)dated 15.05.2026 Notification

No.4/VSU/Associate Professors/ Regular/2026, dated 15.05.2026 No. 1/DAHUU/Professor and Associate Prof./Regular/2026, dated 15.05.2026 No.4/SKU/Prof. and Asso. Prof. Regular/2026, dated 14.05.2026 by 3rd, 4th, 5th o and 6th Respondent Universities respectively as arbitrary, illegal, unconstitutional and violative of UGC Regulations, 2018 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching, research experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity as Assistant Professor and Research Associate as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor in pursuant to recruitment Notifications dated 15th and 14thMay, 2026 issued by the Respondent Universities

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 direct the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of 'Associate Professor' in 3rd to 6th Respondent Universities that was advertised vide Notification No.S.II(1)/6849/1-790/2026(4)dated 15.05.2026; Notification No.4/VSU/Associate Professors/Regular/2026, dated 15.05.2026; No. 1/DAHUU/Professor and Associate Prof./Regular/2026, dated 15.05.2026; No.4/SKU/Prof. and Asso. Prof. Regular/2026, dated 14.05.2026 respectively without reference to the ineligibility list, pending disposal of the above writ petition,

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. O UDAYA KUMAR SC For S K UNIVERSITY
2. GP FOR SERVICES III

WRIT PETITION NO: 31176/2026

Between:

1. DR. KODI ARJUNUDU,, S/O. PENTAYYA AGED 59YEARS, OCC. ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (ON CONTRACT) DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY ANDHRA UNIVERSITY VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530003.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P. SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI,

GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503

3. ANDHRA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH - 530003

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 toto issue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working against the substantive sanctioned post of an Assistant Professor Lecturer in the very same 3rd Respondent University for the purpose of treating him eligible to the post of Associate Professor in Geology discipline that was advertised by the 3rd Respondent by way of Notification No.S.II(1) 6849/1-790/2026(4) dated 15.05.2026 as arbitrary, illegal, unconstitutional and violative of UGC Regulations, 2018 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity as Assistant Professor as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor in pursuant to recruitment Notification dated 15th May, 2026 issued by the Respondent University

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 todirect the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of "Associate Professor" in 3rd Respondent University that was advertised vide Notification No.S.II(1)/6849/1-790/2026(4) dated 15.05.2026 without reference to the ineligibility list pending disposal of the above writ petition,

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR SERVICES III

WRIT PETITION NO: 31181/2026

Between:

1. DR AARON ATHOTA JAYARAJ, S/O. MOSES JAYARAJ AGED 51 YEARS, OCC GUEST FACULTY DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING ACHARYA NAGARJUNA UNIVERSITY NAGARJUNA NAGAR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 522510.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P.

SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238

2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503
3. YOGI VEMANA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR KADAPA, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 516005

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 toissue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working as contractual Assistant Professor at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Srikakulam for the purpose of treating him eligible to the post of Associate Professor in Earth Sciences discipline that was advertised by the 3rdRespondent by way of Notification No.2/YVU/Assoc.Prof.Backlog-SC, ST and BC/2026, dated 15.05.2026as arbitrary, illegal, unconstitutional and violative of UGC Regulations, 2018 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity as Assistant Professor in a Dr. B R Ambedkar University as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor in pursuant to recruitment Notification dated 15th May, 2026 issued by the Respondent University

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 direct the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of "Associate Professor" in 3rd Respondent University that was advertised vide Notification No.2/YVU/Assoc.Prof.Backlog-SC, ST & BC/2026 dated 15.05.2026 without reference to the ineligibility list, pending disposal of the above writ petition,

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR SERVICES III

WRIT PETITION NO: 31191/2026

Between:

1. KANAKALAPATI PRATAP,, S/0. LATE K. P. VENKATARAMUDU AGED 53 YEARS, OCC LECTURER (ON CONTRACT) DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY PARITALA SRIRAMULU GOVERNMENT DEGREE

COLLEGE (AFFILIATED TO SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYA UNIVERSITY) PENUKONDA, SRI SATYA SAI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 515110

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P. SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503
3. ACHARYA NAGARJUNA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR NAGARJUNA NAGAR, GUNTUR DISTRICT ANDHRA PRADESH 522510
4. SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR ANANTHAPURAMU, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 515003

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 topleased to issue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working against the substantive sanctioned post of a Lecturer in a Government Degree College for the purpose of treating him eligible to the post of Associate Professor in History that was advertised by the 3rd 4thRespondents by way of direct recruitment notificationsNo3ANUAssociate Professor Professors Regular2026 dated 15052026 and Notification No4SKU Prof Asso Prof Regular2026 dated 14052026 as arbitrary illegal unconstitutional and violative of UGC Regulations 2018 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity in a Government Degree College as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor in pursuant to recruitment Notifications dated 14th 15th May 2026 issued by the Respondent Universities and pass

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 pleased to direct the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of "Associate Professor" in 3rd &

4th Respondent Universities that was advertised by the 3r1& 4th Respondents by way of direct recruitment notifications vide No.3/ANU/Associate Professor/Professor/ Regular/ 2026 dated 15.05.2026 and Notification No.4/SKU/ Prof. &Asso. Prof. Regular/2026 dated 14.05.2026 without reference to the ineligibility list, pending disposal of the above writ petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. O UDAYA KUMAR SC For S K UNIVERSITY
2. GP FOR SERVICES III

WRIT PETITION NO: 31192/2026

Between:

1. S D HIMABINDU VEERAVALLI, D/O. V.J.SATYAPALAN AGED 53YEARS, OCC ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (ON CONTRACT) DEPARTMENT OF BASIC SCIENCES AND HSS, COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING FOR WOMEN, ANDHRA UNIVERSITY VISAKHAPATNAM, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 530003.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION A.P. SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522238
2. THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GARUDADRI K.K. TOWERS, SRI LAKSHMI NARASIMHA COLONY, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522503
3. ACHARYA NAGARJUNA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR NH 16, ACHARYA NAGARJUNA NAGAR NAMBURU, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 522510
4. KRISHNA UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR RUDRAVARAM, MACHILIPATNAM KRISHNA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 521004
5. JAWAHARLAL NEHRU TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY, REP.BY ITS REGISTRAR RAMANAYYAPETA, KAKINADA KAKINADA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH 533003

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 toissue a writ or order or direction preferably a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of Respondents in not reckoning the contractual teaching

experience gained by the petitioner while working against the substantive sanctioned post of an Assistant Professor in the Andhra University for the purpose of treating her eligible to the post of Associate Professor in Management discipline that was advertised vide No.3/ANU/ Associate Professor/Professor/Regular/2026 Advt. No. 4/KRU/Associate Professor/Regular/2026 both dated 15.05.2026 by 3rd, 4th Respondent Universities and to the post of Professor in the said discipline advertised vide Notification No.4/JNTUK/Assoc. Prof. and Professor/ Regular/2026 dated 15.05.2026 by 5t11 Respondent University as arbitrary, illegal, and violative of UGC Regulations, 2018 and set aside the same with a consequential direction to the Respondents to reckon the teaching experience gained by the petitioner while working in the contractual capacity as Assistant Professor as a qualifying experience for the post of Associate Professor and Professor in pursuant to recruitment Notifications dated 15th May, 2026 issued by the Respondent Universities

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 direct the Respondents to allow the petitioner to participate in the subsequent selection process for the post of "Associate Professor" in 3rd & 4th Respondent Universities that was advertised vide No.3/ANU/Associate Professor/ Professor/ Regular/2026; Advt. No. 4/KRU/Associate Professor/ Regular/ 2026 dated 15.05.2026 respectively; also to the post of Professor that was advertised by the 5t11 Respondent vide to the Notification No.4/JNTUK/Assoc. Prof. & Professor/ Regular/2026 dated 15.05.2026 without reference to the ineligibility list, pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAVITHA GOTTIPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR SERVICES III

The Court made the following:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

Writ Petition Nos.31170, 31172, 31174, 31175, 31176, 31181, 31191, 31192 of 2026

C O M M O N O R D E R:

1. The present batch of Writ Petitions are filed to declare the action of Respondents in rejecting the applications of the Petitioners for the posts of Associate Professor/Assistant Professor/Professor for want of emoluments as prescribed in G.O.Ms.No.14, Higher Education (UE) Department, dated 13.02.2019 under clause 10(f) of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and Other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Regulations, 2018 (for short 'the UGC Regulations'), as illegal and arbitrary.

2. Learned counsel for the Petitioners would submit that though the language in treating the applications of Petitioners for the post of Associate Professor as ineligible in different, they are all traceable to lack of emoluments for counting 08 years of experience as provided in Regulation 10(f)(iii) of UGC Regulations, 2018 and submits that the issue involved in these Writ Petitions is covered by the Order, dated 13.10.2026 passed by this Court in W.P.No.24395 of 2026 and batch and requested to pass a similar order in these Writ Petitions

also. W.P.No.24395 of 2026 and batch is disposed of, with the following directions:

> *"The applications of the Petitioners for the post of Associate Professor shall be re-examined by the Respondent-Universities without insisting on the emoluments as provided in Regulation 10(f)(iii) of the UGC Regulations, 2018".*

3. Learned counsel for the Respondents does not dispute the same.

4. In view of the same, the present batch of Writ Petitions are disposed of in terms of the Order, dated 13.10.2026 passed by this Court in W.P.No.24395 of 2026 and batch subject to all other qualifications prescribed. There shall be no order as to costs.

5. The Registry is directed to attach the copy of the Order, dated 13.10.2026 passed by this Court in W.P.No.24395 of 2026 and batch to this order.

6. As a sequel, the miscellaneous petitions if any shall stand dismissed.

JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

Date : 27.10.2026
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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY

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