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

MONDAY, THE 2nd DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

WRIT PETITION NO: 31411 OF 2026

Between:

1. GANDI SATYAMANGADEVI, W/o.G. Srinivasa Paparao, Aged about 55 years, R/o.1-70, Kotta Mangeru Main Road, Kajuluru Mandal, Kakinada District.

2. Gandi Srinivasa Paparao,, S/o. Ramachandra Rao, aged about 59 years, R/o.1-70, Kotta Mangeru Main Road, Kajuluru Mandal, Kakinada District.

...Petitioners

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Panchayat Raj Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District, Rep. by its Principal Secretary - 522237.

2. The State Election Commission, . Andhra Pradesh, rep. by its Station Election Commissioner, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh -520001.

3. The Chief Electoral Officer, . Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada- 520001.

4. The District Election Officer/ The District Collector, Amalapuram, Dr. B.R Ambedkar Konaseema District - 533 201.

5. The Kottamanjeru Gram Panchayat, Kotta Manjeru, Kakinada District - 533 468. Rep. by its Secretary.

6. The Revenue Divisional Officer ERO, Ramachandrapuram Division, Kakinada District - 533 255.

...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 a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ or direction to declare action of the respondents in not including the name of the petitioners in the voters list of Kotta Manjeru Village inspite of petitioners votes were updated in the Election Commission of India website pursuant to the application made by the petitioners for inclusion of their votes in Kotta Manjeru Village on 18.06.2026 as illegal, arbitrary, and provisions of AP Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and consequentially direct the respondents to include the name of the petitioneu in the voters list of Kotta Manjeru Village

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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 direct the respondents to include the name of the petitionel in the voters list of Kotta Manjeru Village, during pendency of the Writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioners: C SUBODH

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV

Counsel for the Respondents: N ASHWANI KUMAR

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR REVENUE

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The Court made the following Order:

Heard Sri C. Subodh, learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj for the respondent No.1 and Sri N. Ashwani Kumar, learned Standing Counsel for the respondent Nos.2 to 4.

2. The grievance of the petitioners is against the action of the respondents in not reflecting the names of the petitioners in the voters list of Kottamanjeru Village.

3. The petitioners contend that they have made an application in prescribed format on 18.06.2026 seeking entry of their names in the voters list, as the existing entries were deleted. Though, the electoral roll was updated on 27.08.2026, the names of the petitioners have not been reflected in the voters list. As no orders have been passed on the representation submitted by the petitioners, they have approached this Court by way of the present Writ Petition.

4. In this regard, it is contended that the petitioners were informed that a cut-off date had been prescribed, the names of persons whose applications were received after the said cut-off date would not be reflected in the electoral rolls. Having regard to the provisions of the Proviso to Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, the petitioners contend that their names must be considered for inclusion by duly taking into account any amendments, deletions or inclusions made in the electoral roll of the

Assembly Constituency concerned up to the date of issuance of the election notification.

5. As the names of the petitioners have already been updated in the electoral roll of the Assembly Constituency, they seek a direction to the respondents to include their names in the electoral roll of Kottamanjeru Gram Panchayat, as they are proposing to contest the ensuing Gram Panchayat elections.

6. In this regard, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, placing reliance on the judgment of this Court dated 15.10.2026 in W.P.No.30564 of 2026.

7. Having regard to the contentions advanced, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose of the Writ Petition directing the respondent Nos.2 & 4 to pass appropriate orders on the representation dated 29-10-2026 forthwith in accordance with law, before issuance of elections notification for Gram Panchayat. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel, all pending miscellaneous applications shall stand closed.

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JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

Dated: 02-11-2026
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