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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**AT AMARAVATI** **[3458]**
**(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

FRIDAY, THE 30th DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

**PRESENT**

**THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA**

**WRIT PETITION NO: 31721/2026**

**Between:**

1. GUNIVANDLA GURAPPA, S/O PEDDA GURAPPA, AGED ABOUT 49 YEARS, OCCUPATION POLITICIAN R/O D.NO.3/145, PEDDA CHIYYAPADU VILLAGE, CHAPADU MANDAL- 516355, Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT.

**...PETITIONER**

**AND**

1. THE A P STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, OFFICE AT 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, OPP INDIRAGANDHI MUNICIPAL STADIUM, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA, N.T.R. DISTRICT- 520 010
2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, , REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDING, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT- 522238.
3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTORCUMDISTRICT ELECTION OFFICER, Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT, MADANAPALLE -517325.
4. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ZILLA PARISHAD, Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT, MADANAPALLE -517325.
5. THE RETURNING OFFICER FOR THE ELECTION OF MPTC AND ZPTC 2026, CHAPADU MANDAL, Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT- 516001.
6. B ASHOK KUMAR REDDY, S/O LATE VEERA LAKSHMI REDDY, ..PETITIONER MAJOR, POLITICIAN, R/O PEDDA CHIYYAPADU

VILLAGE, CHAPADU MANDAL- 516355, Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT.

7. ANNAVARAM SUDHAKAR REDDY, S/O NOT KNOWN TO THE PETITIONER, MAJOR, POLITICIAN, R/O PEDDA CHIYYAPADU VILLAGE, CHAPADU MANDAL- 516355, Y.S.R. KADAPA DISTRICT.

**...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 tomay be pleased to issue a Writ Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS declaring the inaction of Respondents 1 to 5 in considering and taking appropriate action on the Petitioner's complaint/representation dt.27-10-2026 as to the forcible and involuntary withdrawal of his nomination, filed for the post of Member of the Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency (MPTC) of Chapadu Mandal, Y.S.R. Kadapa District, as illegal, arbitrary, unjust, violation of fundamental rights guaranteed under Article- 14 of Constitution of India and consequently direct the Respondents 1 to 5 to consider the Petitioner's complaint/representation dt.27-10-2026 and take appropriate action in accordance with law and permit him to contest in the elections for the post of Member of the Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency (MPTC) of Chapadu Mandal, Y.S.R. Kadapa District and pass such

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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 may be pleased to direct the Respondents 1 to 5 to consider the Petitioner's complaint/representation dt.27-10-2026 and take appropriate action in accordance with law and permit him to contest in the elections for the post of Member of the Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency (MPTC) of Chapadu Mandal, Y.S.R. Kadapa District and pass such

**Counsel for the Petitioner:**

1. A SYAM SUNDAR REDDY

**Counsel for the Respondent(S):**

1. GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV
2.

**The Court made the following Order:**

Heard Sri Syam Sundar Reddy, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj appearing for respondent No.2.

2. The grievance of the petitioner in the instant writ petition is against the action of respondent Nos.1 to 5 in not considering and taking appropriate action on the petitioner's complaint/representation dated 27.10.2026, regarding the forcible and involuntary withdrawal of his nomination, and seeks a direction to take action against the persons who forced the petitioner to withdraw his nomination for the post of Member of the Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency (MPTC) of Chapadu Mandal, Y.S.R. Kadapa District.

3. The petitioner contends that, after the filing of the nominations on 23.10.2026, respondent Nos.6 and 7 forcibly obtained the petitioner's signatures on withdrawal forms. In this regard, the petitioner has made a representation dated 27.10.2026, requesting the authorities to consider the same. As no orders have been passed on the said representation, the petitioner has approached this Court to consider the representation dated 27.10.2026.

4. The instant writ petition has been filed after the publication of the list of contesting candidates, in Form-VI.

5. In view of the same, this Court is of the considered view that the relief sought by the petitioner is not maintainable, in light of the constitutional bar.

6. With the above observations, the Writ Petition is disposed of. However, the petitioner is at liberty to avail alternative remedies available under law. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel, all pending Interlocutory Applications shall stand closed.

**JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA**

Date: 30.10.2026
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