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

FRIDAY, THE 6th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

WRIT PETITION NO: 32586/2026

Between:

1. KASIREDDY VAJRA BHASKAR REDDY, S/O. KRISHNA REDDY, AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS, OCC BUSINESS, RESIDING AT D.NO.1-113, ADAPALA STREET, KADIRI, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT 515 591.

2. BELLAPU RAGHAVENDRA,, S/O. BELLAPU VENKATA SHIVAIAH, AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS, OCC AGRICULTURE, RESIDING AT D.NO.1-100, KONDAMANAYANIPALEM, KADIRI MANDAL, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT 515 591.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, HOME DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI VILLAGE, AMARAVATI.522237

2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI VILLAGE, AMARAVATI.522237

3. THE ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, VIJAYAWADA, NTR DISTRICT 520 001.

4. THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE, AP POLICE HEAD QUARTERS, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT 522 503.

5. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR AND DISTRICT ELECTION

AUTHORITY, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, PUTTAPARTHI 515 134.

6. THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, PUTTAPARTHI 515 134.
7. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ZILLA PRAJA PARISHAD AND ADDITIONAL DISTRICT ELECTION AUTHORITY, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT, PUTTAPARTHI 515 134.
8. THE RETURNING OFFICER, MPTC AND ZPTC ELECTIONS, KADIRI MANDAL, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT.
9. THE SUBDIVISIONAL POLICE OFFICER, KADIRI, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT 515 591.
10. THE STATION HOUSE OFFICER, KADIRI RURAL POLICE STATION, KADIRI, SRI SATHYA SAI DISTRICT 515 591.

...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 more particularly in the form of Writ of Mandamus declaring the inaction of the respondents in not considering and not deciding the complaints and representations of the petitioners dated 05.11.2026 seeking a repoll on the ground of booth capturing, impersonation of electors including deceased, absent and incapacitated electors, multiple voting, and the forcible removal of the polling agents of the petitioners at Polling Station No.28 (13/28), MPUP School, Muthyalacheruvu, and Polling Station Nos.26 and 27 of Muthyalacheruvu, Muthyalacheruvu Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency, Kadiri Mandal, Sri Sathya Sai District (hereinafter referred to as the affected polling stations), in the poll held on 05.11.2026 to the Zilla Parishad Territorial Constituency of Kadiri and the Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency of Muthyalacheruvu, and the failure of the 5th and 6th respondents to respond to or act upon the directions of the 3rd respondent dated 05.11.2026 calling for a report, as per se illegal, arbitrary, contrary to Sections 2250 and 231 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and violative of Articles 14 and 243K of the Constitution of India, and consequently direct the 5th and 6th respondents to forthwith submit their reports to the 3rd respondent, and direct the 3rd respondent to cause verification of the register of voters, the marked copy of the electoral roll and the ballot paper accounts of the affected polling stations against the electors named by the petitioners, assess the webcasting and video recordings,

micro-observer reports, Presiding Officers' diaries and the reports called for from the 5th and 6th respondents, and to decide whether the ballot boxes of the affected polling stations are to be segregated and their counting deferred, and to declare the poll at Polling Station No.28, and at Polling Station Nos.26 and 27 if so satisfied, void for both the said Territorial Constituencies, fix a date for repoll at the said polling stations and conduct the repoll under the protection of adequate police forces, and amend the election schedule accordingly, and further direct the 3rd to 8th respondents to secure and preserve the register of voters, the marked copy of the electoral roll, the ballot paper accounts, the Presiding Officers' diaries and all webcasting, CCTV and videography recordings of the affected polling stations in their original and unedited form, and further direct the 1st, 3rd and 4th respondents to cause an enquiry into the forcible removal of the polling agents of the petitioners and the casting of votes by impersonation at the affected polling stations on 05.11.2026 and to fix accountability in accordance with law, and to

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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 5th and 6th respondents to forthwith submit to the 3rd respondent the reports called for by it on 05.11.2026, and direct the 3rd respondent to consider the complaints and representations of the petitioners dated 05.11.2026, cause verification of the register of voters of the affected polling stations against the electors named by the petitioners, assess the polling records and the webcasting and video recordings and the reports called for from the 5th and 6th respondents in respect of the affected polling stations, and take a decision, before the commencement of counting at 8.00 AM on 07.11.2026, as to whether the poll at the affected polling stations is to be declared void and a date fixed for repoll, and to amend the election schedule accordingly, and pending such decision, to direct the 3rd, 5th, 7th and 8th respondents to keep the ballot boxes of the affected polling stations sealed and segregated and not to count them or declare the results of the Zilla Parishad Territorial Constituency of Kadiri and the Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency of Muthyalacheruvu until such decision is taken, and to direct the 3rd to 8th respondents to preserve the register of voters, the marked copy of the electoral roll, the ballot paper accounts and all webcasting, CCTV and videography recordings of the affected polling stations in their original form, pending disposal of the writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. VMR LEGAL

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV
2. GP FOR HOME
3. GP FOR REVENUE

The Court made the following:

ORDER:-

Heard M/s. VMR Legal, learned counsel for the petitioners, learned Government Pleader appearing for the respondent No.2 and Sri N.Ashwani Kumar, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent No.3.

2. The grievance of the petitioners in the instant writ petition is against the action of the respondents in not considering the representation dated 05.11.2026 seeking re-poll at subject polling stations of Muthyalacheruvu, Muthyalacheruvu MPTC, Kadiri Mandal, Sri Satya Sai District.

3. It is contended that on the polling held on 05.11.2026, certain untoward incidents had taken place. And the petitioners have submitted a representation through e-mail to the Election Authorities seeking re-poll, bringing to their notice about various incidents that had taken place such as impersonation of voters, rigging and influencing the voters, booth capturing etc. As no action was taken on the said representation, the petitioners have approached this Court. It is further contended that the said representation of the petitioner was forwarded by the 3rd respondent - SEC to the District Election Authorities. The learned counsel for the petitioners argues that the petitioners were never informed of the outcome of their representation.

4. The learned Standing Counsel Sri N.Ashwani Kumar, on instructions would submit that on the basis of the reports submitted by the

District Election Authorities after conclusion of the polls, re-poll was ordered in respect of certain polling stations. In respect of the present polling stations referred to in the writ petition no untoward incidents have been reported warranting re-poll. Having regard to the same, prays for dismissal of the writ petition as relief sought would not merit further consideration.

5. In the light of the foregoing, without going into the merits of the issue and relief sought by the petitioners, the writ petition is disposed of, granting liberty to the petitioners to avail alternative remedies under law before the appropriate authority.

6. With the above direction, the writ petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel, miscellaneous applications pending, if any, shall also stand closed.

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JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

Dated: 06.11.2026

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