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

TUESDAY, THE 10th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

WRIT PETITION NO: 32589 OF 2026

Between:

1. KOTTE NAGA LAKSHMI, W/O.P.MURALI, AGE 45 YEARS, RESIDING AT D.NO.7-17/5, SUBBAIAH COLONY, AVILALA, TIURPATI RURAL MANDAL, TIRUPATI 517 507

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, A.P.SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT 522 238
2. THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, OFFICE AT NIRVACHAN SADAN, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI 110001, EMAIL ELECTION ECI.GOV.IN
3. THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, ROOM NO.192, GROUND FLOOR, BUILDING NO.5, A.P.SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI 522 238 EMAIL CEO ANDHRAPRADESH ECI.GOVIN
4. THE COLLECTOR CUM DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICER, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, TIRUPATI- 517 503. EMAIL COLLECTOR-TIRUPATI AP.GOV.IN
5. THE ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER, 166 CHANDRAGIRI ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY, CHANDRAGIRI, TIRUPATI DISTRICT-517101

6. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, OFFICE AT 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA- 520010 EMAIL SECV.APSEC2GGMAIL.COM
7. THE DISTRICT PANCHAYAT OFFICER, TIRUPATI DISTRICT- 517503

...RESPONDENT(S):

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MEKA RAHUL CHOWDARY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

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

The Court made the following Order:

Heard Sri Meka Rahul Chowdary, learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj and Rural Development and Sri N.Ashwani Kumar, learned Standing Counsel for State Election Commission appearing for the respondents.

2. The grievance of the petitioner in the instant Writ Petition is against the action of the respondent Nos.2 to 7 in not considering the representation dated 06.11.2026 of the petitioner requesting to include the name of the petitioner in electoral rolls pertaining to Part No.225, Avilala, 166 - Chandragiri Assembly Constituency.

3. The petitioner contends that the Gram Panchayat elections are likely to be notified any time soon and that no orders have been passed on the said representation. Therefore, the petitioner has approached this Court seeking a

direction to the respondents to include the petitioner's name in the electoral roll that would be published for the ensuing Gram Panchayat elections.

4. The proviso to Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, specifically provides that any amendment, transposition or deletion of any entry in the electoral roll, or any inclusions of names in the electoral roll up to the date of election notification shall be carried out in the electoral roll of the Gram Panchayat and any such names included shall be added to the part relating to that Ward.

5. Having regard to the above provisions and having regard to the EPIC Card (downloaded on 28.10.2026) issued in favour of the petitioner by ECI, this Court deems it appropriate to direct respondent Nos.2 to 7 or the authorized officer in the said regard, to pass appropriate orders on the representation of the petitioner dated 06.11.2026 forthwith to include the name of the petitioner in the photo electoral roll as expeditiously as possible before issuing the election notification for Gram Panchayats.

6. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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

JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

Dated: 10.11.2026
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