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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: 32686/2026

Between:

1. CHENNUPATI PRAMILA RANI, D/O. VEERAIAH, AGED ABOUT 61 YEARS, R/O.3-21-3, TUMMALAPALEM VILLAGE, PATHIPADU MANDAL, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-522233.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA - 520 010.
2. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR AND DISTRICT ELECTION AUTHORITY, GUNTUR DISTRICT, AP-522004.
3. THE ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER, 93- PRATHIPADU (SC) ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY, ,. . GUNTUR DISTRICT, AP- 522212.
4. THE ASSISTANT ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER, 93-PRATHIPADU (SC) ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY, GUNTUR DISTRICT, AP-522212.
5. THE COMMISSIONER, PR AND RD AND ELECTION AUTHORITY, TADEPALLI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522501.
6. THE ADDITIONAL DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICER AND DISTRICT PANCHAYAT OFFICER, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522003.

...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 to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly one in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondents, in failing to take appropriate steps for inclusion of the name of the Petitioner in the Physical Photo electoral roll pertaining to the

Tummalapalem Village, Prathipadu Mandal, Guntur District, with reference to election notification to be issued on 13.11.2026 for conducting of Gram Panchayats elections, despite issuance of EPIC card with No. N0X2855625, and confirmation of enrolment of vote at Serial No. 767 within No. 93, Prathipadu(SC) Assembly Constituency limps as being arbitrary, unreasonable and contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Pan chayat Raj Act, 1994, and consequently direct the Respondents to include the name of the petitioner(EPIC No. NDX2855625) in the Physical Photo electoral roll of Tummalapalem Village/panchayat, Prathipadu Mandal, Guntur District in order to enable her to participate, either as voter or to contest in the Panchayat Elections and pass

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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 pleased to direct the Respondents to consider the representation of the petitioner dt 06.11.2026 for inclusion of name of the petitioner (EPIC No. NDX2855625) in the voters list of Tummalapalem Village/panchayat, Prathipadu Mandel, Guntur District in order to enable her to participate either as voter or to contest in the Panchayat Elections, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. V SURYA KIRAN KUMAR

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

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

The Court made the following:

ORDER:-

Heard Sri V.Surya Kiran Kumar, learned counsel for the petitioner, Sri N.Ashwani Kumar, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent Nos.1, 3 to 5 and learned Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj and Rural Development appearing for the respondent No.6.

2. The grievance of the petitioner in the instant writ petition is against the action of the respondents in not including the name of the petitioner in the Physical Photo Electoral Roll pertaining to the Tummalapalem Village, Prathipadu Mandal, Guntur District, despite issuance of EPIC with No. NDX2855625, and confirmation of enrolment of vote at Serial No.767 within No.93, Prathipadu (SC) Assembly Constituency limits.

3. The petitioner contends that on account of the process of Special Intensive Revision (SIR), the petitioner's name has not been shown in the electoral roll. In the said regard, the petitioner had submitted a representation dated 06.11.2026 to the respondent No.5. However, no action was taken on the said representation. Therefore, the petitioner approached this Court seeking a direction to the respondents to include the name of the petitioner in the electoral roll that would be published for conducting elections to Gram Panchayats.

4. Having regard to the contentions advanced and having regard to the proviso to Section 11 (1) of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act,

1994 (for short, “the Act, 1994”), which provides that any amendment, transposition or deletion of any entry in the electoral roll, or any inclusion 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. In light of the said provisions of the Act, 1994, the respondent Nos.1 and 6 are directed to pass appropriate orders in respect of the representation of the petitioner dated 06.11.2026, forthwith, before issuance of notification for 2nd ordinary Gram Panchayat elections.

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:10.11.2026

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