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

WEDNESDAY, THE 11th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

WRIT PETITION NO: 32712/2026

Between:

1. MADHAVI KAMBHAMPATI, W/O VENKATA SUBBAA RAO KAMBHAMPATI, AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS, OCC POLITICAL WORKER, RIO FLAT NO. 408, DHARMA RESIDENCY, 80 FEET ROAD, KANURU, PENAMALURU MANDAL, KRISHNA DISTRICT 520 007.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT 522 237.
2. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER, VIJAYAWADA 520 001.
3. THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, ANDHRA PRADESH, VIJAYAWADA 520 001.
4. THE DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICER AND DISTRICT COLLECTOR, KRISHNA DISTRICT, MACHILIPATNAM 521 001.
5. TADIGADAPA MUNICIPALITY, REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, TADIGADAPA, KRISHNA DISTRICT-521137
6. THE ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER, 78-PENANNALURU ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY, KRISHNA DISTRICT-521165

...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, Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature

of Writ of MANDAMUS, declaring the action of the respondents in not including the name of the Petitioner in the ward-wise photo electoral roll of Ward No. 41 of Tadigadapa Municipality, despite her Form-8 application dated 31.08.2026 (Reference No. S01078G803108261200057) having been accepted and her entry transposed to 78-Penamaluru Assembly Constituency, Part No. 19 Kanuru, Serial No. 962, as illegal, arbitrary, contrary to Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965 and Sections 22 and 23 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950 and violative of Articles 14 and 21 of the Constitution of India, and consequently direct the Respondents 2 to 6 to consider the representation of the Petitioner dated 09.11.2026 and to inculde and publish the name of the Petitioner in the ward-wise photo electoral roll of Ward No. 41 of Tadigadapa Municipality forthwith,

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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 2 to 6 to include the name of the Petitioner in the voter list of Ward No. 41 of Tadigadapa Municipality pending disposal of the above writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KAMBHAMPATI RAMESH BABU

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

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The Court made the following:

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ORDER:-

Heard Sri Kambhampati Ramesh Babu, learned counsel for the petitioner, Sri N.Ashwani Kumar, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent No.2 and learned Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj and Rural Development appearing for the respondent No.7.

2. The grievance of the petitioner in the instant writ petition is against the action of the respondent Nos.2 to 6, in not including and incorporating the name of the petitioner, in the Electoral Roll of Ward No.41 of Tadigadapa Municipality.

3. The petitioner contends that he has submitted an application in Form-8 for transposition of his name from Marlapalen to Kanuru. The same was processed and the EPIC was also generated, bearing EPIC No.UOG0838005 duly reflecting the name of the petitioner being transposed to in Penamaluru Assembly Constituency. In light of the same, the petitioner seeks a direction under the provisions of Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, to include his name in the electoral roll of Tadigadapa Municipality, that would be issued for conducting elections to the office of Chairperson and Ward Members of the Municipality.

4. Considered the submissions.

5. Having regard to the status of the application of the petitioner filed in Form-8 and the EPIC issued/generated in the said regard and in light of the provisions of Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965 and the Circulars/Orders of the SEC dated 14.10.2026, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition, directing the respondent Nos.2 and 6, while publishing the Photo Electoral Roll of the subject Municipality that would be issued by the SEC for conducting elections to the office of Chairman and Ward Members of the subject Municipality, due consideration shall be given to the provisions of Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965 and the Circular dated 14.10.2026, issued by the SEC, so as to reflect the name of the petitioner in the Photo Electoral Roll of the subject Municipality.

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: 11.11.2026

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