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

THURSDAY, THE 12th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

WRIT PETITION NO: 32993 OF 2026

Between:

1. KAVALI SWAPNA,, C/O KAVALI VENKATAIAH, VELUGAJULAPALLI,YELLORE PANCHAYATH, CHITTAMURU MANDAL, (FORMERLY NELLORE DISTRICT), TIRUPATI DISTRICT 524403

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITSPRINCIPAL SECRETARY, PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT,SECRETARIAT BUILDING, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI,ANDHRA PRADESH -522238.
2. THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, ANDHRA PRADESH,REP BY ITS STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HODS BUILDING, M.G.ROAD, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH -520010.
3. THE COMMISSIONER, PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, TADEPALLI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-522401.
4. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR CUMDISTRICT ELECTION OFFICER, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-517501
5. THE DISTRICT PANCHAYATH OFFICER, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, TIRUPATI, ANDHRA PRADESH-.517501
6. THE ELECTION REGISTRATION OFFICER ERO, GUDUR CONSTITUENCY, REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, SULLURPET

DIVISION, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-517501

7. THE RETURNING OFFICER/ELECTION OFFICER, YELLORE GRAMA PANCHAYAT, HAMLET OF VELIGAJULAPALLI, CHITTAMUR MANDAL, TIRUPATI DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH-524127

...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 issue an appropriate writ order or direction, more particularly one in the nature of a writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of respondents, particularly respondents No. 4 to 7 , in not incorporating and reflecting the name of the petitioner who is the resident of Veligajulapalli village which comes in electoral roll of Yellore Grama Panchayath,Chittamur Mandal, Tirupati district, Andhra Pradesh, despite submission of the application dated 17.10.2026, conducting field inspection by the concerned Booth Level Officer on 30.10.2026 and consequential transfer of her electoral particulars from Kottapatnam Gram Panchayath, Kota Mandal, SPSR Nellore District to Yellore Grama Panchayath, Chittamur Mandal, Tirupati District, as arbitrary, illegal, and contrary to the Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, read with Sections 22 and 23 of the Representation of the people Act, 1950 , and violative of the Article 14 of the constitution of India, and consequently direct the respondents to forthwith incorporate and reflect the name of the petitioner in the electoral rolls of Yellore Grama Panchayath, Chittamur Mandal, Tirupati District, in accordance with law, 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 to consider the application dated 17.10.2026, and BLO Inspection, and consequential transfer of the electroral particulars of the petitioner from Kottapatnam Grama Panchayath, Kota Mandal, Nellore District, to Yellore Grama Panchayath, Chittannuru Mandal, Tirupati District, and take appropriate steps to incorporate and reflect the name of the petitioner in th electoral roll of the Yellore Grama Panchayath, in accordance with Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayath Raj Act, 1994, in the interest of justice.

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. P MALLIKHARJUNA RAO

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV

The Court made the following Order:

Heard Sri P.Mallikharjuna Rao, 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 respondents in not incorporating and reflecting the name of the petitioner in electoral roll of Yellore Grama Panchayat, Chittamur Mandal, Tirupati District (bearing EPIC No.YAE1628957).

3. The petitioner contends that her electoral registration was registered in Kottapatnam Gram Panchayat, Nellore District. It is contended that the petitioner had filed an application in prescribed format in Form-8 seeking transposition of her name to Yellore Grama Panchayat, the same was processed and accepted on 30.10.2026. However, the petitioner’s name is not reflecting in the Electoral Roll of Yellore Grama Panchayat. Seeking publication of her name in the Electoral Roll, the petitioner has approached this Court seeking incorporation of her name in the Electoral Roll.

4. Considered the submissions.

6. 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.

7. Having regard to the status of the petitioner's application as reflecting from the copy of the document filed before the Court and in light of the provisions of Section 11 of the AP Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and having regard to the circular instructions of the State Election Commission dated 14.10.2026, the respondent authorities are directed to verify and pass appropriate orders for publication of the names of the petitioner in the electoral roll of the Yellore Grama Panchayat, Chittamur Mandal, Tirupati District, as expeditiously as possible before issuing the election notification for Gram Panchayat.

8. 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

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