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

WEDNESDAY, THE 25th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

WRIT PETITION NO: 34069 OF 2026

Between:

1. PASALA VENKATESWARLU,, S/O. CHINNA NASARAIAH, AGED 49 YEARS, OCC PRIVATE, R/O. D.NO.3-7, SC COLONY, MEERJAPETA VILLAGE, TARLUPADU MANDAL, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, , REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 237.
2. THE ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, , REP. BY ITS SECRETARY / STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER, 1ST FLOOR, NEW HOD BUILDING, M.G. ROAD, VIJAYAWADA -520 010.
3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTORCUMDISTRICT ELECTION OFFICER, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT AT MARKAPURAM -523 316.
4. THE ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER, MARKAPURAM ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY, 0/O. REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, MARKAPURAM - 523 316.
5. THE DISTRICT PANCHAYAT OFFICER, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT AT MARKAPURAM -523 316.
6. THE RETURNING OFFICERCUMELECTION OFFICER, , MEERJAPETA GRAM PANCHAYAT, TARLUPADU MANDAL, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT - 523 316.
7. SRI KUCHIPUDI VENKATESWARLU, S/O. KOTILINGAM, AGED 57 YEARS, OCC AGRICULTURE, R/O. D.NO.2-38A, MEERJAPETA VILLAGE, TARLUPADU MANDAL, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT- 523

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8. KUCHIPUDI SUJATHA, W/O. VENKATESWARLU, AGED 56 YEARS, OCC EMPLOYEE, R/O. D.NO.2-38A, MEERJAPETA VILLAGE, TARLUPADU MANDAL, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT- 523 316.
9. KUCHIPUDI PURNACHANDRA RAO, S/O. VENKATESWARLU, AGED 30 YEARS, OCC DOCTOR, R/O. D.NO.2-38A, MEERJAPETA VILLAGE, TARLUPADU MANDAL, MARKAPURAM DISTRICT -523 316.

...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 considering and not passing a speaking order on the petitioner's representation dt. 14.11.2026 submitted against the inclusion of the names of respondents 7 to 9 in the electoral roll of Meerjapeta Gram Panchayat as illegal, arbitrary and violative of Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, Sections 18 to 23 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950 and Articles 14 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct respondents 2 to 4 to consider and decide the said representation in accordance with law

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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 not to include the names of respondents 7 to 9 in the electoral roll of Meerjapeta Gram Panchayat and consequently direct the respondents not to give effect to such inclusion in the event of any inclusion takes place, pending disposal of the Writ Petition and to pass such

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. PALA KARTHI KIRAN

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV

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ORDER:

Heard Sri Pala Karthi Kiran, 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 respondents in not passing a speaking order on the objections dated 14.11.2026 submitted by the petitioner against the inclusion of the name of respondent Nos.7 to 9 in the Electoral Roll of Meerjapeta Gram Panchayat.

3. The petitioner contends that the electoral authorities, without following the procedure prescribed under the Act, have included the name of unofficial respondent Nos.7 to 9 in the Electoral Roll of the subject Gram Panchayat.

4. It is contended that unofficial respondent Nos.7 to 9 are resident of Tarlupadu Village and Gram Panchayat, and that their names were initially included in the Electoral Roll of the said village. Subsequently, respondent Nos.7 to 9 shifted her residence to Meerjapeta Gram Panchayat, pursuant thereto her vote was transposed to the Electoral Roll of Meerjapeta Gram Panchayat.

5. Considered the submissions.

6. Based on the status of the Elector Photo Identity Card (EPIC) and pursuant to the directions issued by the authorities, the name of unofficial respondent Nos.7 to 9 were published in the supplementary Electoral Roll of the Subject Gram Panchayat.

7. If the petitioner's grievance is that unofficial respondent Nos.7 to 9 are not entitled to cast their right to vote in the subject Gram Panchayat. They are at liberty to file an appropriate application in the prescribed format seeking deletion of the vote before the appropriate authority. Without following the prescribed procedure, a direction cannot be issued to the respondents for deletion of entry in the electoral roll, which has been incorporated after following the due procedure.

8. With the above observation, the Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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

JUSTICE KIRANMAYEE MANDAVA

Dated: 25.11.2026
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Sl. No.	DATE	ORDER	OFFICE NOTE
	25.11.2026	**KM,J** The Writ Petition is disposed of. (Vide Separate Order) **KM, J** BSK	