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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: 34512/2026

Between:

Alluri Samson, and Others **...PETITIONER(S)**

AND

The State Of Andhra Pradesh and Others **...RESPONDENT(S)**

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. KAKUNURI VENKATA VIKRAMADHITYA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR HOME

WRIT PETITION NO: 34524/2026

Between:

Bhuma Ramanaiah and Others **...PETITIONER(S)**

AND

The State Of Andhra Pradesh and Others **...RESPONDENT(S)**

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. KAKUNURI VENKATA VIKRAMADHITYA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR HOME

WRIT PETITION NO: 34531/2026

Between:

Kadapa Venkat Reddy and Others **...PETITIONER(S)**

AND

The State Of Andhra Pradesh and Others **...RESPONDENT(S)**

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. KAKUNURI VENKATA VIKRAMADHITYA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR HOME

WRIT PETITION NO: 34658/2026

Between:

Baditi Samadanamma and Others **...PETITIONER(S)**

AND

The State Of Andhra Pradesh and Others **...RESPONDENT(S)**

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. KAKUNURI VENKATA VIKRAMADHITYA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR HOME

The Court made the following:

COMMON ORDER:-

Heard learned counsel for the petitioners, learned Government Pleader for Home and Sri N.Ashwani Kumar, learned Standing Counsel for the State Election Commission.

2. In all these writ petitions, the grievance of the petitioners is against the action of the respondents in depriving the personal liberty and directing them to confine themselves to their residential houses and not to canvass in the scheduled Gram Panchayat elections.

3. Learned Government Pleader for Home has placed before the Court a copy of instructions received by him in the case (W.P.No.34512 of 2026). A perusal of the same reflects that the petitioners are at liberty to move freely and to participate in the election process, including canvassing and supporting candidates of their choice, subject to the applicable election laws, rules, Model Code of Conduct and lawful directions of the competent authorities, the Station House Officer has no intention to interfere with any lawful election related activity of the petitioners and shall not prevent them from undertaking such activities.

4. Learned Government Pleader for Home has placed before the Court a copy of instructions received by him in the case (W.P.No.34524 of 2026). A perusal of the same reflects that the police will not interfere with the lawful movement of the petitioners, their election canvassing, their

continuation as candidates or their participation as election agents, subject to compliance with the applicable election laws, rules, Model Code of Conduct and lawful directions of the competent election authorities. The petitioners will not be compelled to withdraw their nominations or prevented from participating in the election process on account of political considerations. It is specifically denied that the Station House Officer has threatened to detain the petitioners in the Police Station, confine them in their houses or implicate them in false criminal cases for moving in the villages, conducting canvassing or participating as election agents. Any police action, if warranted by specific information or material disclosing the commission of an offence or a likelihood of breach of peace, will be taken only in accordance with law and the prescribed procedure, and not for any political or election-related reason.

5. Placing on record, the written instructions/parawise remarks of the respondents, the writ petition is disposed of. In the light of submissions made by the police authorities, no further directions in the said regard are necessary to be issued, as it has been stated that they have no intention to cause any prevention to the petitioners in participating in the election process lawfully. However, under the premise of this order, the petitioners shall not indulge in any unlawful activities involving breach of peace and tranquility in the area and breach of public order and shall strictly abide by the Model Code of Conduct.

6. With the above observations, the writ petitions are 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: 25.11.2026

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