

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE R.RAGHUNANDAN RAO

CONTEMPT CASE NO.155 of 2021

ORDER:-

By an order, dated 10.12.2020, this Court had directed the respondent herein to consider the case of the petitioners for promotions within four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of the order. The petitioners had approached this Court by way of the present contempt case on the ground that the respondent has not passed any orders on the issue of the promotions of the petitioners, despite more than four (4) weeks time after receipt of the copy of the order.

2. Sri N. Aswartha Narayana, learned counsel appearing for the respondent, has produced proceedings dated 28.10.2021, where the respondent has rejected the case of the petitioners for promotions on the ground that they are not eligible for promotion as their initial appointments were done in an irregular manner.

3. Sri K. Suresh Kumar Reddy, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that this decision of the respondent is erroneous as this Court had in various cases, in a similar situation relating to promotions of irregularly appointed Village Revenue Assistants had held that despite any irregularity in initial appointment, the Village Revenue Assistants would be entitled for promotions.

4. In view of the fact that, the direction of this Court was to the respondent to consider the case of the petitioners for promotions, the order passed by the respondent on 28.10.2021, is sufficient

compliance of the directions of this Court. However, any grievance that the petitioners may have against such order can always be agitated by way of proper proceedings.

5. Accordingly, this Contempt Case is closed leaving it open to the petitioners to agitate against the order, dated 28.10.2021, passed by the respondent. There shall be no orders as to costs.

Consequently, miscellaneous applications pending, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE R.RAGHUNANDAN RAO

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