IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI (SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

FRIDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF MAY TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE CHALLA GUNARANJAN
WRIT PETITION NO: 13052 OF 2025

Between:

P.Sujatha, W/o Vemana Reddy, Aged about 37 years, Igarlamma SHG Group Leader, (Dwaraka Group), D.No. 1-15, Mondivengalapalli (Village), Vedurukuppam (Mandal), Chittoor District.

...Petitioner

AND

- 1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Agency Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Andhra Pradesh.
- 2. The Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, State of AP, Rep by Its CEO, II Floor, NTR Admin Block, Vijayawada, Krishna District.
- 3. The Project Director, DRDA, D.R.D.A., Velugu Office, Chittoor District
- 4. The Assistant Project Manager, D.R.D.A., Velugu Office, Vedurukuppam (Mandal), Chittoor District.

...Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondents in not permitting the Petitioner to discharge her duties as Sanghamitra VOA (Village Organising Agent) and not uploading her name in the online portal and not paying the salary as per the conditions mentioned in the circular vide No. 64-8/911/SERP/IB/VOA/2019, dated 06-11-2019, and trying to terminate the petitioner without passing any orders and without following due process of law

as illegal, arbitrary and contrary to the well-established principles apart from violation of fundamental and constitutional rights guaranteed under Articles 14,16,19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to continue the petitioner as VOA fromerly known as sanghamitra to discharge her duties by paying the salary including arrears.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondent to upload her name in the online portal of SERP and permit the Petitioner to discharge her duties as Village Organisation Agent (VOA) and pay the salary arrears, Pending disposal of WP 13052 of 2025, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of SRI VENKATA NARAYANA RAO VEDULA Advocate for the Petitioner, and of Government Pleader for Services-I for respondent No.1, and of Sri Hari Babu, Standing Counsel for respondent No.2, and the Court made the following ORDER:

"Learned Government Pleader for Services-I takes notice for respondent No.1.

Sri Hari Babu, learned Standing Counsel takes notice for respondent No.2 and seeks time to get instructions.

As petitioner is appointed as Village Organization Assistant (VOA) by way of resolution dated 10.03.2025, in view of Circular No.64-8/911/SERP/IB/2019, dated 06.11.2019 the respondents cannot interfere with petitioner's work. Therefore, there shall be an interim direction to respondents to continue the petitioner as VOA.

List the matter on 16.06.2025 in the adjourned motion list."

SD/- M.SRINIVAS ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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For.

SECTION OFFICER

To,

- The Principal Secretary, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Agency Department, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Andhra Pradesh.
- 2. The CEO, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, State of AP, II Floor, NTR Admin Block, Vijayawada, Krishna District.
- 3. The Project Director, DRDA, D.R.D.A., Velugu Office, Chittoor District
- The Assistant Project Manager, D.R.D.A., Velugu Office, Vedurukuppam (Mandal), Chittoor District. (Addresses 1 to 4 by RPAD)
- 5. One CC to SRI. VENKATA NARAYANA RAO VEDULA, Advocate [OPUC]
- 6. Two CCs to GP FOR SERVICES I, High Court of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
- 7. One CC to Sri Hari Babu, Standing Counsel, High Court of Andhra Pradesh [OPUC]
- 8. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

CGR,J

DATED:09/05/2025

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ORDER

WP.No.13052 of 2025

INTERIM DIRECTION

