

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

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY FIFTH DAY OF JANUARY  
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY THREE

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE GANNAMANENI RAMAKRISHNA PRASAD

WRIT PETITION NO: 17049 OF 2020

Between:

1. AmpavathiKesava Prasad, aged 36yrs S/o Ampavathi Ramakrishna R/o D.No. 1-215A, Reddipalli Village BukkarayasamudramMandal Anantapuramu District-515701
2. G.SurendranathGowd, aged 37 yrs S/o G.Sreenivasulu R/o D.No. 8-1165-A, Chaitanya Colony Narapala Village andMandal Anantapuramur District
3. M.Amamath Reddy, aged 39 yrs S/o M.VijayakumarRedddy R/o 2-28, Main Road Kalapuram, Pamidi Anantapuramu District
4. M.Venkata Ravi Sekhar, aged 49 yrs S/o M.Narayana R/o D.No. 22-275, Yadava Street, Dharmavaram, Anantapuramu District
5. BonthuMallikarjuna Rao, aged 40 yrs S/o Bonthu Krishnamurthy R/o D.No. 10A/5, PulavandlaVeedhi, Kalyandurgam Town, Anantapuramu District
6. YellanuruHaritha, aged 42 yrs W/o Y.Ravi Chandra Reddy, R/o Flat No. 104, ANV Sree Apartments L1C Colony, JNTU Road, Anantapuramu
7. P.Vijayalakshamma, aged 37 yrs W/o Golla Soma Sekhar R/o D.No. 4/406, Atmakur Village and Mandal Anantapuramu District
8. Sudheer Kumar Maddula, aged 36 yrs S/o MaddulaNagabhushanam R/o D.No. 4/61, Flat No. FF1 NTR Street, Vijayawada

Petitioners

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Department of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravathi Rep by its Principal Secretary.
2. The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, Government of Andhra Pradesh Vijayawada
3. The Commissioner of Horticulture, Government of Andhra Pradesh TTPC Building , 1st Floor, Old Market Yard Chuttugunta, Beside Mini Rythu Bazaar, Guntur
4. The District Selection Committee, Rep by its Chairman/District Collector Anantapuramu District
5. The District Selection Committee, Rep by its Chairman/District Collector Krishna District

Respondents

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 to issue an order, writ or direction more particularly in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the 3rd respondent in not allowing the petitioners who have worked as Micro Irrigation Areas Officers(MIAOs) and having all eligible qualifications and having filed applications for the said posts from participating in the selection process for the post of Village Horticulture Assistants (General Recruitment) vide Notification No. 01/Horti/2020 dated 10.01.2020 and Corrigendum to the Notification dated 30.01.2020 and subsequently issuing the Memo



No.AGC01/HORT/97/2020-HS dated 14.09.2020 withdrawing certain educational qualifications as illegal, arbitrary and in violation of the petitioners rights guarantee under Article 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the 3rd respondent to allow the petitioners to participate in the selection process.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased To direct the respondents to issue Hall Tickets and allow the petitioners to participate in the selection process as given in the notification vide Notification No. 01/Horti/2020 dated 10.01.2020 and Corrigendum to the Notification dated 30.01.2020, pending disposal of WP 17049 of 2020, 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 the order of the High Court dated 22.09.2020 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri Harish Kumar Rasineni Advocate for the Petitioners and of GP for Services-I for the Respondents, the Court made the following

**ORDER:**

**"Heard submissions of Sri. Harish Kumar Rasineni, Learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner,**

**2. Learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner has drawn the attention of this Court to an Interim Order passed by this Court dt: 19.01.2023 in W.P. No. 1917 of 2020 and Batch. He submitted that the present Writ Petition is also similar to that of the batch cases. Further, this Writ Petition was not listed along with the batch on 19.01.2023 and therefore, he had no knowledge of the passing of the Interim Order dt: 19.01.2023. In view of the submissions made by the Learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner, this Court deems it appropriate to extend the similar Interim benefit to the present Writ Petitioner also.**

**3. Tag with W.P.No.1917 of 2020 and batch."**

**Sd/- K. J. RAJA BABU  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

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**SECTION OFFICER**

**To**

1. The Principal Secretary, Department of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravathi.
2. The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, Government of Andhra Pradesh Vijayawada
3. The Commissioner of Horticulture, Government of Andhra Pradesh TTPC Building , 1St Floor, Old Market Yard Chuttugunta, Beside Mini Rythu Bazaar, Guntur
4. The Chairman/District Collector, District Selection Committee, Anantapuramu District

5. The Chairman/District Collector, District Selection Committee, Krishna District(1 to 5 by RPAD) ✓
6. One CC to Sri Harish Kumar Rasineni, Advocate [OPUC] ✓
7. Two CCs to GP for Services-I, High Court of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT] ✓
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ORDER

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INTERIM ORDER EXTENDNED

