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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

Bench Sr.No:-3 [3584]

WRIT PETITION NO: 27197 of 2026

Andhra Pradesh Grama Sachivalayam Ward Sachivalayam Employees Welfare Society ...Petitioner

Vs.

The State of Andhra Pradesh and Others ...Respondents

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CORAM : THE CHIEF JUSTICE LISA GILL
SRI JUSTICE CHALLA GUNARANJAN

DATE : 13th October 2026

Present :

Advocate for Petitioner : Mr K Bharath Kumar representing Ms V N S Savitha Kumari

Advocate for Respondent(s) : GP for Village and Ward Secretariats

LISA GILL, CJ:

This writ petition has been filed by Andhra Pradesh Grama Sachivalayam Ward Sachivalayam Employees Welfare Society with a grievance that employees are being asked to discharge duties and perform functions pertaining to departments other than those for which they were recruited, selected, trained and appointed. Reference was made to G.O.Ms.No.217, dated 20.07.2019, to indicate sphere of duties which could be assigned to such employees.

2. We take note of aims and objectives underlying creation of Ward Secretariat system, as is mentioned in G.O.Ms.No.217 itself. Said GO records

the need to integrate various services being rendered to the citizens by different departments at gross-root level under one umbrella so as to deliver the services seamlessly to the door steps of the citizens with more accountability and transparency. Objectives are specifically mentioned in clause 9(a) of said G.O.Ms.No.217 dated 20.07.2019.

3. We also take note of the fact that writ petition is not accompanied by any resolution authorizing filing of this writ petition on behalf of petitioner Society. In the given factual matrix, we are not inclined to interfere in this matter, at this stage; however, in view of the submission that representation dated 18.08.2026 has been submitted before Chief Secretary to Government, and Principal Secretary, Swarna Grama Swarna Ward (SGSW) Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, it shall be open to petitioner Society to pursue the matter with said authorities, who would look into it and consider the same in accordance with law, within a period of three months.

4. Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly. No costs.

Pending application(s) if any stand(s) disposed of accordingly.

LISA GILL, CJ

CHALLA GUNARANJAN, J

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Whether the order is Speaking/Reasoned : Yes / No

Whether the order is Reportable : Yes / No