



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

[3208]

WEDNESDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE D RAMESH

WRIT PETITION NO: 7351/2023

Between:

1. V ANANDABABU, S/O RATNAM, AGED ABOUT 53 YEARS,
WORKING AS SANITARY MASTERY.
2. SMT.P.VARDHANAMMA, W/O VENKATESWARLU, AGED
ABOUT 50 YEARS, WORKING AS SWEEPER.
3. M.KOTESWARA RAO, S/O INNEYA, AGED ABOUT 49 YEARS,
WORKING AS SWEEPER.
4. M.NARAYANA, S/O SAIDULU, AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS,
WORKING AS SWEEPER.
5. SMT.SK.SAIDABEE, W/O HUMMAR, AGED ABOUT 56 YEARS,
WORKING AS SWEEPER.
6. K.HADDULU, S/O KOTAIAH, AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS,
WORKING AS SWEEPER.
7. CH.CHINNA NAGESWAR RAO, S/O BHADRAIAH, AGED ABOUT
48 YEARS, WORKING AS SWEEPER.
8. K.VENKATESWARLU, S/O NAGULU, AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS,
WORKING AS SWEEPER.
9. SK.MASTHAN VALI, S/O LAL AHMED, AGED ABOUT 42 YEARS,
WORKING AS DRAIN CLEANER.
10. N.SARATH BABU, S/O RAMAIAH, AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS,
WORKING AS WATCHMAN.

- 11.K.YEDUKONDALU, S/O ADINARAYANA, AGED ABOUT 52 YEARS, WORKING AS BOREWELL MECHANIC-CUUM-HELPER.
- 12.SMT.K.ROSAMMA, W/O KOTILINGAM, AGED ABOUT 47 YEARS, WORKING AS SWEEPER
- 13.CH.VENKATA RAO, S/O KOTAIAH, AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS, WORKING AS DRAIN CLEANER. (ALL ARE WORKING IN PIDUGURALLA MUNICIPALITY, PALNADU DIST

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

- 1.THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MA AND UD DEPARTMENT, VELAGAPUDI, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DIST
- 2.THE COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION, GORANTLA, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
- 3.THE PIDUGURALLA MUNICIPALITY, PIDUGURALLA, PALNADU DISTRICT, REP.BY ITS COMMISSIONER.

...RESPONDENT(S):

The Court made the following ORDER:

1. This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following relief:

“to issue Writ Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus by declaring the action of the respondents in not extending the benefit of minimum of the time scale in the Revised Pay Scales issued from time to time along with arrears is illegal, arbitrary and also violative of the principles of natural justice and consequently direct the respondents to extend the benefit of minimum of the time scale in the Revised Pay Scales issued from time to time along with arrears as per the law laid down by the Honourable Supreme Court in Jagjith Singh Case Reported in 2017 (1) SCC 148 and also in the case Sabashankar Dubey Vs. Divisional Forest Officer 2019 (12) SCC 297 and pass...”

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Pleader for the respondents.
3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have been working as last grade employees on a daily wage basis for several years in the 3rd respondent Municipality and are continuing to work in the said capacity; however, they have not been extended the benefit of the minimum time scale of pay. Hence the Writ Petition is filed seeking extension of minimum time scale of pay as attached to the said post and

placed reliance on law laid down by the Hon'ble Apex Court in ***State of Punjab vs. Jagjit Singh and Others***¹.

4. Learned Government Pleader appearing on behalf of the respondents submitted that the Court may pass appropriate orders.

5. Considering the submissions, without going into the merits of the case, the respondents are directed to consider the case of the petitioner for extending payment of minimum time scale in terms of the judgment rendered by the Hon'ble Apex Court in ***State of Punjab vs. Jagjit Singh and Others*** within a period of two (02) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above observations, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

Consequently, Miscellaneous Petitions, if any, pending in the writ petition shall stand closed.

11.02.2026

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¹ (2017) 1 SCC 148

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