IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JUNE TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE GODA RAGHURAM WRIT PETITION NO: 12519 of 2005

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M. Venkateshwarlu, S/o Mendala Laxmaiah, Aged 54 years,

Occ: Temple Service, R/o H.No.6-2-63/5, New Bhoiguda,

Secunderabad.

.... PETITIONER

AND

- 1. State of Andhra Pradesh, rep. by its Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue (Endowments II/I) Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
- 2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Tilak Nagar, Hyderabad.
- 3. The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Tilak Nagar, Hyderabad.
- 4. Sri Suriti Krishna s/o late Laxmaiah, aged aboaut 43 years, Occ: Not known, R/o Dwarakanagar, Vanastalipuram, RR Dist.

....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of Mandamus directing the official respondents herein to consider petitioner's name in the panel of Board of Trustees of Ujjaini Mahankali Temple, Secunderabad under the quota of founder family members of doly bearer community, in terms of the directions given by the learned Principal Secretary to Government (Revenue) cum Commissioner of Endowments in Memo No.81051/Endts II(I)/99 and also orders passed in W.P. No. 16154/1984 dated 04-02-1988 and consequently to declare the action of the official

respondents herein in so far as refusing to consider the application of the petitioner dated 28.4.2005 for inclusion of name in the panel of Board of Trustees as

amounting to highly arbitrary, illegal and unconstitutional.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR. GOPALAKRISHNA KALANIDHI

Counsel for the Respondent No.1 TO 3: GP for ENDOWMENTS

Counsel for the Respondent No.4: Mr. Tulsi Reddy

The Court made the following:

:: ORAL ORDER ::

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Government Pleader for

Endowments and Mr. Tulsi Reddy for the 4th respondent.

The singular grievance urged at the stage of admission is that the 2nd respondent is

not considering the petitioner's application/ representation for membership in the

Board of Trustees of Ujjayaini Mahankali Temple, Secunderabad. Learned

Government Pleader submits that the petitioner's representation is under

consideration and that the 2nd respondent would consider the said representation on

merits.

In the circumstances the writ petition is disposed of recording the statement of the

learned Government Pleader that the 2nd respondent would consider the application

of the petitioner for inclusion in the Board of Trustees for the said temple, on merits

and in accordance with law. No order as to costs.

Dated: -----

Pvsn Justice G. Raghuram

..... REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

To

- 1. The Principal Secretary, State of Andhra Pradesh, Revenue (Endowments II/I) Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
- 2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Tilak Nagar, Hyderabad.
- 3. The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Tilak Nagar, Hyderabad.
- 4. Two CCs to the Government Pleader for Endowments, High Court buildings, Hyderabad (OUT)
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