GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Estt. - APAS - Sri K. Robert Paul, Ex.MAO, Prathipadu, East Godavari District - Selected as A.O. by the Selection Committee by S.T. quota during 1997 - Appointment orders not issued due to pendency of finalization of his social status and appointment orders issued during 2005 after finalization of S.T. Status - Revision of seniority and giving notional seniority - Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (AGRI. I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 888 Dated: 29-11-2016 Read the following:

From the Director of Agriculture, AP, Hyderabad, Letter No. AII(1)84/15, dated:19.12.2015.

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ORDER:-

In the letter read above, the Director of Agriculture has submitted that Sri K. Robert Paul was selected as Agricultural Officer under S.T. category during limited recruitment of SCs and STs in the year 1997 in Zone-II, but he was not issued appointment orders whereas others were issued appointment orders during 1997. His case was referred to the Commissioner, Tribal Welfare to produce the latest community certificate. As he has failed to produce the latest community certificate before the Commissioner, Tribal Welfare as there was case pending before the District Collector, East Godavari about his social status under S.T., he was not issued clearance. Hence, the Department of Agriculture has not issued appointment orders even though he was selected by the Selection Committee along with others. He has also stated that though the Hon'ble APAT, Hyderabad and the Hon'ble A.P. High Court has supported his claim for appointment as Agricultural Officer in the O.A. No. 9500/2002, W.P.No.22231/97 respectively, pending finalization of his social status, the department has not appointed him as Agricultural Officer stating that final enquiry report of District Collector, East Godavari and clearance from the Commissioner, Tribal Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad is required to issue appointment orders.

- 2. He has also submitted that, the District Collector, East Godavari district on completion of enquiry has concluded that their community belongs to "VALMIKI" which is under ST and DLSC (District Level Screening Committee) has also confirmed that they belongs to VALMIKI under ST Community. Therefore, the MRO, Addateegala has issued latest Cast Certificate No.1909, dt:09.07.2005, and the Commissioner, Tribal Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad has also confirmed his S.T. claim and issued clearance. Accordingly, he was issued appointment order as Agricultural Officer vide Procd.No. A7(1)273/97, dt:05.09.2005 based on the selection under ST special drive recruitment made during 1997. The Hon'ble Court has also issued final orders dt:28.02.2007 favored the individual.
- 3. He has further submitted that the individual has requested to consider his case keeping in view that he was selected for appointment during 1997 along with others i.e. who were appointed vide Procd. No. Estt.VII(3)273/97, dt:02.08.1997 and seniority may be given from 1997, otherwise he may put to great personal loss and injustice about the benefits of the selection as Agricultural Officer made during 1997 as the delay in issue of appointment orders is without any fault of him and the lapse of (8) years is caused administrative reasons, he is being penalized, due to which he is foregoing benefits of service such as Seniority, Promotion, Pensionary benefits etc., and the juniors who were selected after 1997 were already promoted as ADAs under S.T. quota and the individual put to loss in promotion.

- 4. The Director of Agriculture has, therefore, requested to issue necessary orders on the request of Sri K. Robert Paul for revision of seniority in ST category in Zone-II in 1997 in legitimate Roaster point of his appointment.
- 5. Government have observed that the abnormal delay, in issuing appointment orders, was not the fault of the individual and so he should not be punished.
- 6. Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby decided to consider the request of Sri K. Robert Paul for giving notional seniority from the date of his selection i.e., from 1997 since he was selected for appointment as Agricultural Officer during 1997 along with others, i.e., who were appointed vide Procd. No.Estt.VII(3)273/97, Dt:02.08.1997.
- 7. Accordingly, Government hereby accord permission to the Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur to revise the seniority list and give notional seniority to Sri K. Robert Paul in the category of Agricultural Officer from the date of his selection during 1997 along with others i.e., who were appointed vide Procdgs.No.Estt.VII(3) 273/97, dt.02.08.1997, duly following the due procedure in force.
- 8. The Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. RAJSEKHAR SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
The Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
The individual through the Director of Agriculture,
A.P., Guntur.
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER