

**HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

THURSDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY

:PRESENT:

**THE HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE SRI RAGHVENDRA SINGH CHAUHAN
AND
THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE B.VIJAYSEN REDDY**

WP(PIL) NOS: 56, 59, 61, 78, 82, 91, 92, 96 &111 OF 2020

WP(PIL). No. 56 of 2020

Between:

Mr. R. Sameer Ahmed, Advocate, 1st Floor, 10-3-311/2/A/3/A, Castle Hills Road No.1, Behind NMDC, Masab Tank, Hyderabad 500 057

...Petitioner

AND

1. State of Telangana, Rep. by its Chief Secretary, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
2. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Medical and Health Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
3. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Municipal Administration and Urban Development, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
4. The Commissioner, Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Tank Bund Road, Hyderabad.
5. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Home Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad
6. The Director General of Police, State of Telangana, Lakdikapool, Hyderabad.
7. The Commissioner of Police, Cyberabad Commissionerate at Hyderabad.
8. The Commissioner of Police, Hyderabad city, Basheerbagh, Hyderabad.
9. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Revenue Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

...Respondents

In compliance with the directions of My Lord the Hon'ble Chief Justice on the office note dated 29.03.2020 filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Letter dated 27.03.2020 sent by the petitioner herein through email, the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Orders more particularly, one in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus to call for remarks from the Respondents herein relating to and in connection with "protecting the lives of the Doctors and their assisting staff in putting their life at risk by not providing complete Personal Protection Equipment i.e., N-95 Respirator Mask, Face shield, goggles, Corvell/ Gowns, Shoe covers, Head covers etc., while testing reasonable suspects and patients of Epidemic/Pandemic COVID-19", since the Government of Telangana has directed the Medical Practitioners/ Civil Assistant Surgeons serving in all Primary Health Centres (including Urban Primary Health Centres) to physically visit the residence of each suspect, examine and conduct counseling to reasonable suspects and the vulnerable family members having the recent history of traveling from abroad and that the said Officers are directed to continue the same activity on daily basis till the completion of 14 days of incubation period, as the State is duty bound to protect the lives of the Doctors and their assisting staff who are putting their life at risk without being provided complete Personal Protection Equipment i.e., N-95 Respirator Mask, Face shield, goggles, Corvell/Gowns, Shoe covers, Head covers etc., which amounts to sheer infringement of their Right to life enshrined under Article 21 of the Constitution of India

This petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Letter dated 27.03.2020 sent by the petitioner herein through email and upon hearing the arguments of Advocate General on behalf of Respondent Nos. 1 to 5 and 6 to 9 and of Sri N. Ashok Kumar, Standing Counsel for Respondent No. 4,

WP(PIL) No. 59 OF 2020

Between:

1. Prof. P.L. Vishweshwar Rao, Occ. Convenor, Telangana Democratic Forum and Vice President of Telangana Jana Samithi, R/o. H.No. 33-23/1, Officers Colony, Rama Krishnapuram, Secunderabad – 500056.
2. Dr. Cheruku Sudhakar, MBBS, S/o. Usha Goud, Occ. Doctor, H.No.14-70, V.T. Colony, Nakrekal, Nalgonda District, Telangana State - 508211

...Petitioners

AND

1. Union of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Maulana Azad Road, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi - 110011.
2. The State of Telangana, Rep by Chief Secretary, Telangana Secretariat, B. R. K.R. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
3. The State of Telangana, Rep by its Principal Secretary to the Medical and Health Department, Telangana Secretariat, B. R. K.R. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
4. The State of Telangana, Rep by its Principal Secretary to the Finance Department, Telangana Secretariat, B.R.K.R. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
5. The State of Telangana, Rep by its Principal Secretary to the Civil Supplies Department, Telangana Secretariat, B. R. K.R. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
6. The State of Telangana, Rep by its Principal Secretary to the Labour Department, Telangana Secretariat, B. R. K.R. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
7. The Commissioner and Director, Medical and Health Department, Koti, Hyderabad, Telangana.
8. The Commissioner, Civil Supplies Department, Civil Supplies Bhavan, H.No.6-3-655/1/A, 3rd Floor, Punjagutta Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad, Telangana.
9. The Labour Commissioner, State of Telangana, T. Anjaiah Bhavan, RTC X Road, Hyderabad.

...Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein, the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus in declaring the inaction of the respondents in providing proper quarantine to the passengers, who came from Abroad to Telangana from 1st February, 2020 to 25th March, 2020 for 14 days and non-providing Medical Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), N-95 Masks to the Doctors, Para-Medical Staff, who are working in the Medical field in prevention of Spread of Covid-19 in the State of Telangana and also in non-import-non manufacture the Medical Equipment like Diagnosis kits of COVID-19, Ventilations, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), N-95 Masks, Sanitizers etc., in protection of right to life of Public at large, and non-supplying the daily essential goods at reasonable prices like food-grains, vegetables, medicines etc., in door delivery to the public at large and non-providing daily essential food-grains, vegetables, fruits, Masks, medicines, shelter and minimum expenses etc., to the lakhs of Un-organized labour, beggars, Inter-State Migrant Labors, Orphans, Street Children, Destitutes, Nomadic Tribes, Semi -Nomadic Tribes and Hostel Students, who are non-registered in the white card scheme and living in the State of Telangana in the lock down period as illegal, arbitrary, discriminatory, unreasonable, unfair, unjust, unlawful, unconstitutional, whimsical, perverse, mockery and against to an Article 14, 19, 21 of Constitution of India and against to the Provisions of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and The Inter State Migrant Workmen Act, 1979 and other Labor Laws and against to the Catena of Judgments of an Apex Court and this Honble Court and Consequently, direct the respondents to quarantine the all passengers, who came from Abroad to Telangana by All ways (Airway, Railway and Road Transport) from 1st February, 2020 to 25th March, 2020 for 14 days and direct the respondents to either manufacture or import the large Scale Diagnosis Kits of COVID-I9, N-95 Masks, kits of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Ventilators to protect the lives of Doctors, Para-medical staff and Public at Large of Telangana, who are working in the field of prevention of Spread of Covid-19 and direct the respondents to provide daily minimum needs, like food grains, vegetables, fruits, shelter, N-95 Masks, sanitizers and Minimum Expenses to the lakhs of unorganized labor, beggars, Inter-State Migrant Labour, Orphans, Street Children, Destitutes, Nomadic Tribes, Semi-Nomadic Tribes, Hostel Students, who are non-registered in the white card scheme and living in the State of Telangana and to direct the respondents to supply in door delivery daily need

essential goods at reasonable prices like food-grains, vegetables, fruits, N-95 Masks, sanitizers, etc., and also direct the respondents to Diagnosis of COVID-19 to the people at home in lock down period till no COVID-19 Positive get into the record in the State of Telangana

This petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of Sri Prabhakar Chikkudu, Counsel for the petitioner and of Sri Namavarapu Rajeshwar Rao, Assistant Solicitor General on behalf of Respondent No. 1 and Sri B.S. Prasad, Advocate General on behalf of Respondent Nos. 2 to 7 and 9, and of Sri A. Jagan, Advocate for the respondent No. 8,

WP(PIL).NO.61 OF 2020

Between:

Sri. K.Karuna Sagar,, Advocate, Flat No.516, 5TH Floor, SVRS Neeladri Apartments, Champapet, Hyderabad 500035

Petitioner

AND

1. State of Telangana, Rep. by its Chief Secretary, Secretariat, Hyderabad
2. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Home Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
3. The Director General of Police, State of Telangana Lakdikapool, Hyderabad.
4. The Commissioner of Police, Bhasheerbagh, Hyderabad
5. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Women and Child Welfare Department, Hyderabad

Respondents

In compliance with the directions of His Lord the Hon'ble Chief Justice on the office note dated 04.04.2020 filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the letter dated 02.04.2020 sent by the petitioner herein through email, this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Orders more particularly, one in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus to call for remarks and records from the Respondents herein relating to and in connection with the inaction of the State Government to take appropriate steps in providing security to the Doctors and other supporting staff who are treating the COVID-19 patients since the life of citizens are put in danger as a shocking incident that took place 1.4.2020 wherein the duty Doctors treating the COVID-19 patients at Gandhi Hospital, Hyderabad were attacked by the Family members of a deceased COVID-19 patient and destroyed the hospital property by breaking the windows, who developed COVID-19 positive after attending the Tablighi Jamaat meeting at Nizamuddin, Delhi and that though the duty Doctors and staff are working 24/7 for the last one month, this type of inhuman behaviour towards the Doctors and staff is highly condemnable and stringent action should be taken against the miscreants and that this type of incidents took place in Khammam and Nizamabad Districts also and hence non-bailable cases should be registered against the assaulters under IPC, particularly u/s 11 of Telangana Medicare Service Persons and Medicare Service Institutions (Prevention of violence and damage to property) Act, 2008. Consequently, to direct the Respondents herein to take stringent action against the miscreants by registering non-bailable cases under IPC and particularly u/s 11 of Telangana Medicare Service Persons and Medicare Service Institutions (Prevention of violence and damage to property) Act, 2008;

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the letter dated 02.04.2020 filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments Sri B.S. Prasad, Advocate General (TG) for the Respondent Nos. 1 to 5, the Court made the following.

WP(PIL). No. 78 of 2020

Between:

1. Prof. P.L. Vishweshwar Rao, S/o. Late Ponna Laxmana Rao
2. A. Rajendrababu, S/o. Late Nagappa

Petitioners

AND

1. The State of Telangana, Rep. by its Chief Secretary, Telangana Secretariat, B. R. K. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
2. The State of Telangana, Rep. by its Special Chief Secretary, Medical and health Department, B. R. K. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
3. The State of Telangana, Rep. by its Principal Secretary to the Medical and Health Department, Telangana Secretariat, B. R. K. Bhavan, Hyderabad.
4. The Commissioner and Director, Medical and Health Department, Koti, Hyderabad, Telangana.

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 a Writ, Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus in declaring the action of the respondents in issuing an impugned proceedings Lr. No. 82/Peshi/DME/2020, Dated 20.04.2020, not to collect samples from the dead bodies for further Covid-19 testing in the State of Telangana and not notified the Covid-19 100 Bedded hospitals erstwhile District Head Quarters Or 50 Bedded Hospitals in the Present District Head Quarters other than the Area of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation in protection of the right to life of Urban, Sub-urban and Rural public at large by providing trained staff, medical equipment and medicines as illegal, arbitrary, discriminatory, unreasonable, unfair, unjust, unlawful, unconstitutional, whimsical, perverse, mockery, in human, bad in law, ulterior motive and against to an Article 14, 19, 21 of Constitution of India and against to the Provisions of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and against to the Disaster Management Act, 2005 and other Acts and against to the Caterina of Judgments of an Apex Court and this Honourable Court.

IA NO: 1 OF 2020

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 notify the Covid-19 100 Bedded Hospitals in the Head Quarters of erstwhile Districts or Covid-19 50 Bedded Hospitals in the present District head Quarters other than the Area of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) by providing sufficient trained staff and medical equipment and also medicines in protection of the right to life of the public at large forthwith, pending disposal of WP(PIL) 78 of 2020, on the file of the High Court.

IA NO: 2 OF 2020

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 take the samples by Para Medical Staff from the Dead bodies for conduct test of Covid-19 in the State of Telangana, pending disposal of WP(PIL) 78 of 2020, on the file of the High Court.

IA NO: 3 OF 2020

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 suspend an impugned proceedings issued by the 4th respondent in Lr. No.82/Peshi/DME/2020, Dated 20.04.2020, forthwith, pending disposal of WP(PIL) 78 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 upon hearing the arguments of Sri Prabhakar Chikkudu Advocate for the Petitioners and of Advocate General for the respondents

WP(PIL). No. 82 of 2020

Between:

Dr. K.P. Rajender Kumar, Retd. District Medical and Health Officer, Jogulamba, Gadwal District, Flat No.403, Durga Harmony, H.No.6.3.552/ 1, Erramanzil Colony, Hyderabad 500 082

Petitioner

AND

1. Union of India, rep. by its Secretary Department of Medical and Health, Central Secretariat, New Delhi.
2. Indian Council of Medical Research, (ICMR) COVID-2019. New Delhi.
3. State of Telangana, Rep. by its Chief Secretary, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
4. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Medical and Health Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
5. The Director of Medical and Health, Government of Telangana, Koti, Hyderabad.
6. Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.

Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the letter dated 28.04.2020 sent by the petitioner herein through email, the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Orders more particularly, one in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus to call for records and remarks from the Respondents herein relating to and in connection with issuance of letter bearing No. Spl/COVID/DPHGW/2020 dated 20/04/2020 by the office of the Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, Government of Telangana directing not to take samples and conduct COVID-19 tests on the dead bodies and if that is so cause of the death will not be revealed and there is every likelihood of spreading the virus upon (1) Health Service Providers, i.e. front line workers i.e., Doctors, Nurses, ANMs, Asha Workers, (2) Family Members and Close Contacts and (3) Funeral Service Providers and also people who came into contact with the deceased, damage the purpose of precautionary measures taken by the Government to safeguard the lives of the public at large, (Recently in Kurnool, samples of deceased Dr. Ismail Hussain, who was a Doctor, and his six family members were found to be COVID-19 positive).

and

Consequently to direct the Respondents herein to take samples of the dead bodies and conduct COVID-19 tests as there is every likelihood of spreading the virus upon (1) Health Service Providers, Doctors, Nurses, ANM, Asha Workers, (2) Family Members and Close Contacts and (3) Funeral Service Providers and also people who came into contact with the deceased as a precautionary measure to safeguard the lives of the public at large.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the letter dated 28.04.2020 sent by the petitioner herein through email, and upon hearing the arguments of Dr. K.P. Rajender Kumar as party in person and Sri Namavarapu Rajeshwar Rao, Assistant Solicitor General, for the Respondent No. 1 & 2 and Advocate General for the respondents No. 3 to 6.

WP(PIL). No. 91 OF 2020

Between:

Varun Sankineni, S/o Sankineni Venkateshwar Rao

Petitioner

AND

1. The Union of India, Rep. by its Under Secretary, Medical and Health Department, (COVID -19) Central Secretariat, Sastry Bhavan, New Delhi
2. The Indian Council of Medical Research, (ICMR), Rep. by its Director General, (COVID -19), Health Research Department, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi 110 029
3. The State of Telangana, Rep. by its Chief Secretary, (GAD) Dept., Secretariat, Saifabad, Hyderabad.
4. The State of Telangana, Rep., by its Special Chief Secretary, Medical and Health Department, (COVID -19), Secretariat, Saifabad, Hyderabad
5. The State of Telangana, Rep., by its Prl, Secretary, Medical and Health Department, (COVID -19), Secretariat, Hyderabad.
6. The Commissioner and Directorate of Medical and Health Department, (COVID-19) Koti, Hyderabad.

7. The District Medical and Health Office, Rep., by District Medical and Health Officer (FAC), Suryapet Collectorate, Suryapet, Suryapet dist., erstwhile Nalgonda District
8. The Superintendent of (COVID -19), Gandhi Hospital, Secunderabad,

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 a writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, a)declaring that the action of the Respondents in failing to conduct/provide for adequate testing of COVID-19 for the citizens of the State of Telangana and more particularly the residents of Suryapet district of erstwhile Nalgonda district as a constitutional failure of the State duty, violating the citizens fundamental rights including the rights guaranteed under Article 14 and 21 of the Constitution of India and resultantly direct the Respondents. b)To review the testing criteria to include collecting samples and conducting tests of all asymptomatic persons, in the areas affected with the outbreak in the State of Telangana and more particularly the district of Suryapet c) To incorporate Rapid Antibodies Blood Test method in order to exponentially increase the population tested and efficiently identify the areas affects and people carrying the virus who may or may not show any symptoms. d)Consequently speed up the process testing through door to door step sample collection in order to ensure widespread accessibility of the testing facilities, (This will not only increase the number of people tested per million but also ensure the safe collection of samples and proper maintenance of the chain of custody). e)To start Door to Door sample collections and testings of any person showing any signs/symptoms of COVID-19 in Suryapet District, so that testing and quarantine can be done at home instead of travelling to hospitals, therefore minimizing the pressure on the already overburdened hospitals. f)To prepare and make available online data (through a dedicated web-portal), of the areas covered by door to door testing and sample collection and total no. of tests conducted, segregated into two categories i.e., symptomatic and asymptomatic, containing necessary details such as areas covered, total no. persons tested, whether the persons found positive was symptomatic or asymptomatic or with any travel history, etc. g)To direct the Respondents herein to release the test results of the samples collected within a reasonable time-frame and make available the said results on any dedicated web-portal or in the media and award costs to the petitioner herein

IA NO: 1 OF 2020

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 appoint a court monitored expert committee for identifying the extent of testing and for suggesting the localities /zones/municipal/ gram panchayath areas in the State of Telangana and more particularly in the Suryapet district erstwhile Nalgonda district in which steps for rapid testing ought to be undertaken by the Respondents forthwith, pending disposal of WP(PIL) 91 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 upon hearing the arguments of Smt Gorantla Sri Ranga Pujitha Advocate for the Petitioner and Sri Namavarapu Rajeshwar Rao, Assistant Solicitor General for the respondent No. 1 & 2 and Sri B.S. Prasad, Advocate General for the respondent No. 3 to 8.

WP(PIL) NO.92 OF 2020

Between:

Naresh Reddy Chinnolla, S/o. Damodar Reddy

Petitioner

AND

1. Union of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Rep. by its Secretary, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi-110011.
2. The State of Telangana, Rep by its Chief Secretary Secretariat, Hyderabad
3. The State of Telangana, Rep by its Principal Secretary of Medical and Health Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
4. The State of Telangana, Rep by its Principal Secretary of Home Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
5. The District Collector, Nirmal District
6. The Superintendent of Police, Nirmal District
7. The District Health Officer, Nirmal District

Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the petition and affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue Writ Order, Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in not conducting Covid tests on primary contacts as well as secondary contacts positive patients especially in the Red Zone areas in the state of Telangana and not strictly implementing the regulations that are prescribed in G.O.Ms.No. 45 dated 22-03-2020 as illegal, arbitrary and unconstitutional and consequently direct the Respondents to

- i) Increase the Covid-19 testing capacity by testing primary as well as secondary contacts within all zones and particularly conduct tests for all person(s) within a prescribed radius in the Red Zones as identified by the Government,
- ii) Conduct random testing especially in Red Zones and Orange Zones to tackle the asymptomatic cases,
- iii) Strictly implement measures as prescribed under G.O.Ms.No.45 dated 22.03.2020 by increasing patrolling and surveillance within districts to completely Curb any movement among inter-districts and if required seek assistance from the Government of India for further deployment of forces,
- iv) Formulate and Implement an effective policy dealing with current situation of migrant workers

IA NO: 1 OF 2020

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 forthwith direct the Respondents to conduct covid-19 test primary as well as secondary contacts within all zones and particularly to conduct tests for all person(s) within a prescribed radius in the Red Zones as identified by the Government and strictly implement measures as prescribed under G.O.Ms.No. 45 dated 22.03.2020 such as adequate police forces and central forces and forthwith direct the respondents to take adequate measures that the migrant workers reach their destination/Home towns, pending disposal of WP(PIL) 92 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 order of the High Court dated 18.05.2020 made herein and and upon hearing the arguments of Naresh Reddy Chinnolla as (Party In Person) and Sri B.S. Prasad, Advocate General for the respondents, the Court made the following.

WP(PIL). No. 96 OF 2020

Between:

1. Surya Balu Mahendra, S/o Late S. Sudheer Kumar, Aged . 32 years, Occ: Advocate R/o. MIG 418, G2, R. K. Residency, KPHB Colony, Kukatpally, Hyderabad - 500072. Aadhar Number . 402674220948 Pan Number . BOWPS3690K, Mobile Number . 8790747440 Bank Account No. 35655287909 Mail ID. mahendra.suryagmmail.com
2. Bala Krishna Mandapati, S/o M. Sambaiah, Aged. 36 years, Occ: Academician R/o Hat No. 502, Ashok Residency, Street Number 6, East Maredpally, Nehru Nagar, Hyderabad-500026, Aadhar number - 281777817877, Pan Number - APLPM9326D Mobile Number -9502265851 Bank Account No. 074750700000809 Mail id. baluktb7Pgmail.com

...Petitioners

AND

1. The State of Telangana, Rep., by its Chief Secretary, Government of Telangana, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
2. The Special Chief Secretary, to Government, Health, Medical and Family Welfare Department, Government of Telangana, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

3. The Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, Government of Telangana, Koti, Hyderabad.
4. The Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Telangana, Koti, Hyderabad.
5. The Director of Medical Education, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
6. The Telangana Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Rep. by its Commissioner, Koti, Hyderabad
7. The Union of India, Rep. by its Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi.
8. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Rep., by Its Director General V. Ramalingaswami Bhawan, P.O. Box No. 4911 Ansari Nagar, New Delhi - 110029

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 Writ or Direction preferably Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents No.1 to 6 in not undertaking COVID-19 Testing of Asymptomatic Primary Contacts, Symptomatic Secondary Contacts and other patients with ILI (Influenza like Illness) symptoms in the State of Telangana as per the Guidelines of ICMR Dt.09/04/2020 as arbitrary, opposed to Public Health and in violation of Article 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the Respondents to undertake wide spread COVID-19 Testing in the State of Telangana and also further appropriate measures to curtail the spread of Corona Virus.

IA NO: 1 OF 2020

Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondents No.1 to 6 to forthwith undertake wide spread COVID-19 Testing in the Hotspot Areas in the State of Telangana as per the Guidelines of ICMR Dated 09/04/2020, pending disposal of the Writ Petition (PIL) in the interest of Justice., Pending disposal of WP(PIL) 96 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 upon hearing the arguments of Mr.Kowturu Pavan Kumar Advocate for Petitioners, and GP for Medical & Health (TG) for Respondents 2 to 5 and Mr.Navamavarapu Rajeshwar Rao, Assistant Solicitor General for Respondents 7&8, the Court made the following.

WP(PIL) 111 OF 2020

Between:

Amrita Aryendra, D/o Aryendra Kumar,

...Petitioners

AND

1. State of Telangana, Represented by its Chief Secretary, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
2. State of Telangana, Represented by its Special Chief Secretary, Department of Health, Medical and Family Welfare, Secretariat, Hyderabad
3. State of Telangana, Represented by its Principal Secretary, Medical and Health Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
4. The Commissioner and Director, Medical and Health Department, Koti, Hyderabad.
5. The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR),, Rep., by its Director General, Health Research Department, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi - 110 029.

...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 a writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, (i.) Declaring that the action of the State of Telangana in not taking appropriate measures to make all pandemic related data such as the particulars of the total number of tests conducted in the State of Telangana on each particular day, along with a tally of number of positive cases and deaths due to COVID-19 and the area-wise, gender-wise and age-wise segregation of the data, available to the public at large in a comprehensible manner as breach of its Constitutional duties and violative of fundamental rights

of the citizens. (ii.) Directing the State of Telangana to have a dedicated web portal updated on a daily basis containing particulars of a.) Total number of samples tested, reports awaited, number of positive cases, number of active cases, number of cured, number of deaths b.) Number of individuals in Home and Institutional Quarantine c.) Number of symptomatic persons and asymptomatic persons d.) Chronology of Positive cases along with district and present status e.) District wise distribution of cases f.) Details of passengers (including migrants, persons travelling through railways and airways) g.) Number and areas where Hotspots are situated h.) Age and Gender distribution to date i.) Co-Morbidity status among deaths j) Containment zones in each locality/district/city/area/mandal k.) List of centers/hospitals (government and private) accessible to the public at large to avail voluntary testing and such other information as this Honble Court deems necessary and appropriate (iii.) And award costs to the petitioner herein;

IA NO: 1 OF 2020

Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondent Authorities and in particular Respondent No. 2 to update on a day to day basis all pandemic related data such as a.) Total number of samples tested, reports awaited, number of positive cases, number of active cases, number of cured, number of deaths; b.) Number of individuals in Home and Institutional Quarantine; c.) Number of symptomatic persons and asymptomatic persons; d.) Chronology of Positive cases along with district and present status; e.) District wise distribution of cases; f.) Details of passengers (including migrants, persons travelling through railways and airways); g.) Number and areas where Hotspots are situated; h.) Age and Gender distribution to date; i.) Co-Morbidity status among deaths; j.) Containment zones in each locality/district/city/area/mandal; k.) List of centers/hospitals (government & private) accessible to the public at large to avail voluntary testing and such other information as this Honble Court deems necessary and appropriate, available to the public at large in a comprehensible manner, Pending disposal of WP(PIL) 111 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 upon hearing the arguments of SRI QAZI SALAR MASSOD AATIF Advocate for the Petitioner, THE ADVOCATE GENERAL (TG) Advocate for the Respondent, the Court made the following.

This petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Letter dated 12.04.2020 sent by the petitioner herein through email and upon hearing the arguments of Advocate General on behalf of Respondents

ORDER:

In compliance of the order dated 17.06.2020, Dr. Raja Rao, Superintendent of Gandhi Hospital, Secunderabad is present before this Court. Dr. Srinivasa Rao, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare is equally present before this Court.

Since there have been certain adverse media reports with regard to the functioning of the Gandhi Hospital, the only exclusively designated hospital in Telangana for Covid-19 patients, this Court felt it necessary to know from the Superintendent of the Hospital about the availability of the facilities, with regard to the protection of the Medical Staff, with regard to the preparedness of the Hospital to continue to deal with Covid-19. Therefore, this Court had requested Dr. Raja Rao to appear before this Court to enlighten this Court.

Dr. Raja Rao informs this Court that the Gandhi Hospital consists of eight floored building, having 1500 beds. Presently, there are in total 441 Covid-19 positive patients under treatment in the hospital, out of which 168 patients are in the

ICU, out of whom, eleven patients are on Ventilators. Moreover, while ninety-eight patients are on Oxygen masks, thirty-two patients are on Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP), forty patients are in Internal Care, and 123 patients are suffering from comorbidity.

According to Dr. Raja Rao, the patients visiting the hospital are divided into three categories, namely (i) mild and symptomatic patients, (ii) patients who have moderate symptoms of coronavirus, and (iii) critical patients who need to be hospitalized immediately.

The hospital has also undertaken Plasma Therapy, for which trials are going on. So far, five patients have been subjected to Plasma Therapy and all of them have shown positive results, and they were discharged. One patient is undergoing “Antiviral Drug Treatment”, and even the results of this patient are highly encouraging.

According to Dr. Raja Rao, from the beginning of Covid-19 in March till today, the Gandhi Hospital has treated 3558 patients, out of whom, 2288 patients have been discharged.

Speaking about the staffing pattern at the Hospital, Dr. Raja Rao informs this Court that the Gandhi Hospital has about 1100 Doctors out of whom 550 are Junior Doctors. The staff was initially working in shifts of 1/3rd. However, due to large influx of patients coming in, as there is a spike in the patients of Covid-19 in the GHMC area, presently, 50% of the staff is working on a weekly basis. The 50% of the working staff is divided into three shifts; (a) Shift-I, which works from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; (b) Shift-II, which works from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and (c) Shift-III, which works from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. The 50% of the staff works only for a period of one week and thereafter it undergoes for quarantine, and the remaining 50% of the staff reports for work.

Further, according to Dr. Raja Rao, so far, only twelve Doctors of Gandhi Hospital and six Healthcare Staff members have been so infected with Covid-19. However, these infections have been picked up by the Doctors and by the Healthcare Staff not from the Hospital, but from other areas. Therefore, according to Dr. Raja Rao, none of the Doctors, or the Healthcare Staff have picked up any infections while they are/were working within the Campus.

Furthermore, according to him, sufficient number of Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs), N95 Masks, 3 Ply Masks, gloves, surgical gloves, shields, sanitizers are available in the stock of the Hospital. From 01.04.2020 till 16.06.2020, the Hospital had received 59,837 PPE kits, out of which, 57091 have been used so far. Thus, there is still availability of 2746 PPE kits for the use of the Medical Staff in the Hospital. Similarly, N95 masks are distributed to most of the Medical Staff.

About, 1,27,319 masks were received, out of which 1,12,003 have been utilised and the present stock is of 15,387. Therefore, according to Dr. Raja Rao, the Hospital has been battling with the Covid-19 to the best of its capacities, and luckily, the Medical Staff is relatively untouched by Covid-19.

Lastly, Dr. Raja Ram informs this Court that sufficient police force has been deployed at the Gandhi Hospital in order to ensure that no untoward incident occurs whereby the Doctors may be assaulted by the frustrated families of the patients, who may expire in the Hospital. He further informs this Court that the police personnel, who are deployed near the ICU, which is spread on three different floors, are provided with sufficient PPEs. The remaining police personnel are provided with N95 masks. There are about ten police personnel, who are stationed near each ICU.

Dr. Srinivasa Rao, Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, on the other hand, has submitted a report dated 17.06.2020, which shall be taken on record. According to the said report, the Government has taken a decision to carry out 50,000 Covid-19 tests in the coming ten days across GHMC area and the “surrounding districts”. The words “surrounding districts” include the districts of Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Sangareddy and Medak. Furthermore, random testing has been started in the containment zones/high risk zones from 16.06.2020. Moreover, fifty-four Government Hospitals have been designated as Covid-19 Hospitals. The list of thirty-two hospitals has been provided in Annexure-X.

According to Dr. Srinivasa Rao, sufficient number of ICU beds, which would also include the facility of Ventilators, have been provided to the District Hospitals across the State. For example, Government General Hospital at Mahaboobnagar has one hundred beds for isolation, and has twenty beds in the ICU along with the Ventilator facility. Similarly, even in Adilabad District, a tribal area, RIMS Hospital at Adilabad also has one hundred isolation beds, and twenty beds in ICU including the Ventilator facility. Furthermore, Dr. Srinivasa Rao informs this Court that as of 16.06.2020, about 2413 samples were collected across the State out of which, 1873 samples were collected from GHMC Area, 257 from Ranga Reddy District, 111 from Medchal, 23 from Nizamabad, 21 from Jaishanker Bhopalpally, 20 from Mahaboobnagar, 20 from Warangal Urban, 18 from Adilabad, 15 from Mulugu, 14 from Jangaon, 13 from Karimnagar, 13 from Rajanna Sirsilla, 7 from Nalgonda, 5 from Khammam, 2 from Siddipet, and 1 from Sangareddy. Therefore, according to him, the Government is trying its level best to tackle the skyrocketing cases of Covid-19 throughout the State.

Further, he submits that according to the Medical Bulletin, dated 17.06.2020, 1096 samples were tested, out of which, only 269 positive cases have been found, and only one death has occurred taking the total number of deaths, throughout the State, to 192. Therefore, the mortality rate for the State is 0.0005%, which is way below the National Mortality Rate.

Lastly, in order to contain the spread of Covid-19, samples are being taken across the State, and the figures are being correctly projected, and published in the daily Media Bulletin issued by the Government.

On the other hand, Ms. Sri Ranga Pujitha, the learned counsel, has countered, and questioned the veracity of the statement made by Dr. Srinivasa Rao. According to her, in the report submitted by Dr. Srinivasa Rao, the State has declared that it will carry out 50,000 Covid-19 tests just in ten days across the GHMC and the surrounding districts mentioned hereinabove. Thus, if 50,000 samples were to be taken just in ten days, it would require that at least 5,000 tests need to be carried out on a daily basis. However, the Media Bulletin dated 16.06.2020 clearly reveals that only 1251 samples were tested, and the Media Bulletin dated 17.06.2020 reveals that only 1096 samples were tested. Thus, in two days only 2,347 samples were taken, whereas 10,000 samples should have been taken in two days. Hence, according to the documents submitted by the State, the testing is hopelessly low from the target set by the State itself.

Secondly, according to the National Data available, as on 16.06.2020, State of Maharashtra has tested 5496 persons per million; Gujarat has tested 2448 persons per million; even the neighbouring State of Andhra Pradesh has tested 10,865 persons per million. Yet, the Telangana State has tested merely 761 persons per million. Thus, according to the learned counsel, the testing being carried out in the State is too little.

Furthermore, according to the recent most guidelines issued by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) dated 18.05.2020, *“all symptomatic (ILI symptoms) health care workers/frontline workers involved in containment and mitigation of Covid-19”* and *“asymptomatic direct and high-risk contacts of A confirmed case to be tested once between day 5 and day 10 of coming into contact”*. However, according to the learned counsel, there is no evidence that has been produced by the State to show that these two guidelines, especially the second guideline dealing with the *“asymptomatic direct and high-risk contacts of a confirmed case”* is, indeed, being carried out by the State. Therefore, according to the learned counsel, the latest guidelines of ICMR are being observed more in breach than in conformity.

The learned counsel further submits that according to the report published by the “Express News Service”, dated 08.06.2020, the cases of Covid-19 in Telangana are likely to peak in July, 2020. But due to the low testing of the population, the extent and the spread and the rapid growth of Covid-19 would not be known to the Health Department. Therefore, the Health Department of the State would be handicapped in strategizing and in planning as to how to cope with the spread of Covid-19 throughout the State.

Mr. Pavan Kumar, while adopting the contentions raised by Ms. Sri Ranga Pujitha, has further contended that on 14.06.2020, the ICMR had issued an Advisory on using of Rapid Antigen Detection Test for Covid-19. According to the Advisory, the said test was, indeed, a test “*with good sensitivity and specificity for early detection of the disease*”. Moreover, according to the Advisory, the said test was now readily available in India. Therefore, the Advisory had clearly recommended that the said test be used in the containment zones/hot spots and in the Healthcare settings. But, despite the fact that the said Advisory haing been issued, so far, there is no indication that it has been adopted by the Health Department of the State.

Mr. Sudheer Kumar, the learned counsel has submitted that despite the earlier orders of this Court directing the Health Department to publish all the “critical information” for the sake of knowledge of the public at large, the said direction is still not being implemented by the Department. By order, dated 08.06.2020 in W.P. (PIL) No. 111 of 2020, this Court had directed the State to furnish the following vital information:-

- (i) *Total number of samples tested, reports awaited, number of positive cases, number of active cases, number of cured, number of deaths.*
- (ii) *Number of individuals in Home and Institutional Quarantine.*
- (iii) *Number of symptomatic persons and asymptomatic persons.*
- (iv) *Chronology of Positive cases along with district and present status.*
- (v) *District wise distribution of cases.*
- (vi) *Details of passengers (including migrants, persons travelling through railways and airways)*
- (vii) *Number and areas where Hotspots are situated.*
- (viii) *Age and Gender distribution to date.*
- (ix) *Co-Morbidity status among deaths.*
- (x) *Containment zones in each locality/district/ city/area/mandal.*
- (xi) *List of centers/hospitals (government & private) accessible to the public at large to avail voluntary testing.*

The State was further directed as under:-

“Therefore, this Court directs the State not only publish the vital data mentioned hereinabove on the Internet, but most importantly to have it published on the front pages of all the Newspapers in the Print Media. For, it is imperative that people should be made aware of the fact that the pandemic is only increasing day in and day out. It is essential that people should be made aware that they are required to take all the precautions necessary for controlling the pandemic”.

But, the said direction is yet to be complied with. Moreover, the learned counsel suggests that the “critical data” which has been collected ward-wise, within the GHMC area, should be published on a daily basis. The said information collected by the Department should be furnished to the relevant Colony Associations so that the information is disseminated to the public at large. The disseminated information would not only alert the people, but would also convince them to follow the three crucial safety requirements, namely (i) to wear the mask, (ii) to maintain social distancing, and (iii) to use the sanitizer/to wash hands.

In rejoinder, Dr. Srinivasa Rao, submits that since the Advisory has been issued only recently by the ICMR, with regard to the use of Rapid Antigen Detection Test, the State has already placed sufficient orders for getting the testing kits. The same would be implemented as expeditiously as possible. According to him, the ICMR guidelines dated 18.05.2020 are being duly complied with.

By order dated, 26.05.2020 in W.P. (PIL) Nos. 59 of 2020 and Batch, this Court had issued the following direction, among others, to the State, which reads thus:-

Secondly, the Government is directed to carry out “random testing” and “community testing” in the districts declared as ‘Red Zone’, ‘Orange Zone’ and ‘containment area’. Having carried out such tests, the Government is directed to inform this Court about the number and the place where such tests were carried out.

However, the aforementioned directions are yet to be complied with by the State.

Even according to the guidelines issued by the ICMR with regard to the testing of “asymptomatic direct and high-risk contacts of a confirmed case to be tested once between day 5 and day 10 of coming into contact”, there is no evidence that the said testing of such secondary persons is being carried out by the State.

Therefore, Dr. Srinivasa Rao is directed to inform this Court whether this particular guideline issued by the ICMR is, indeed, being followed or not?

Although in the Report dated 17.06.2020, the Government claims that it will be carrying out 50,000/- tests in the coming ten days, but according to the Media Bulletin issued on 16.06.2020 and 17.06.2020, the number of samples being tested is roughly 1500 cases. As pointed out by Ms. Sri Ranga Pujitha, in order to achieve the target of 50,000 tests within ten days, the sampling has to be minimum of 5000 cases per day. Therefore, obviously, the samples being taken by the Government are far below the target established by the Government itself.

Undoubtedly, in its initial endeavour to control the spread of Covid-19, the Government had succeeded to a certain extent. Initially, while the media reports claimed that Covid-19 had spread its tentacles to twenty-three districts, subsequent

media reports claimed that the number of districts suffering from Covid-19 cases had decreased. Considering the positive turn of events, the Government, in its wisdom, had decided to rollback the lockdown which had been imposed on the State since March, 24, 2020. However, unfortunately, with the rolling back of the lockdown, in a controlled and calibrated manner, the number of Covid-19 positive cases have skyrocketed in the last three weeks. According to the Media Bulletin, dated 17.06.2020, 269 cases have been discovered in a single day. Although the majority of these cases continue to be from the GHMC area, but even Karimnagar District, Medak District, Warangal Urban are beginning to show increase in number of Covid-19 cases, apart from other districts.

Therefore, it is, indeed, a cause of concern that immediately the spread of the Coronavirus should be controlled by the Government. However, before the Government can plan the strategy for controlling the Coronavirus, the first step that needs to be taken is to increase the number of samples per day. Even if the target of completing 50,000 samples within ten days is claimed to be a reasonable one by the State, even then, as pointed out above, the sampling is too low to be able to achieve the target within the short period of ten days. Therefore, this Court issues the following directions to the Government:-

Firstly, as per the directions of this Court, dated 08.06.2020 in W.P. (PIL) No. 111 of 2020, the critical information should be published on a daily basis not only in the Media Bulletin, but also in the regional newspapers.

Secondly, the information available within the GHMC area, should be published ward-wise, and the said information should immediately be communicated to the Colony Associations. For, the wider the information is spread, the more the people will become aware of the danger being posed by Covid-19. And hopefully, people will continue to observe the safety measures prescribed by the Government/ICMR.

Thirdly, the Government is directed to increase the number of samples being tested on a daily basis. The Government should also consider the use of Rapid Antigen Detection Test as recommended by the ICMR. In compliance of the ICMR guidelines those who have been closely in contact with a Covid-19 patient should be tested once between day 5 and day 10 of coming into contact with such patient. For, it seems that despite the guidelines issued by the ICMR, the said guideline is not being implemented by the State.

Fourthly, the Government is further directed to publishize the names of the fifty-four Government Hospitals, which have been designated as hospitals for treatment of Covid-19. For, the impression exists not only in the minds of the people at large, but even in the minds of the Doctors working at Gandhi Hospital

that Gandhi Hospital in Hyderabad is the only designated hospital for treatment of Covid-19. Since the Government claims that Government Hospitals have been designated in the districts itself, the said information needs to be given as wide a publicity as possible, so as to reduce the rush of patients to the Gandhi Hospital.

Fifthly, since it is claimed in the report dated 17.06.2020 that it is difficult to carry out the RT-PCR test, a test which has been successfully carried out in the State of Kerala, Dr. Srinivasa Rao is directed to explain the difficulties being faced by the State in using the said tests.

Sixthly, since about 274 police personnel are said to be deployed at the Gandhi Hospital, this Court further directs the Superintendent, Gandhi Hospital to ensure that these police personnel are given sufficient PPEs so as not to adversely affect their lives while discharging their duties. Moreover, since there seems to be sufficient stock of PPEs, the Superintendent of Gandhi Hospital is further directed to ensure that the PPEs/Protective gears are made readily available not only to the Senior Doctors, or Doctors working in the ICU, not only to the Medical Staff working in the ICU, but even to the Junior Doctors, Resident Doctors and the Nurses, male and female. After all, it is imperative that the frontline warriors, the Medical Staff from the senior most Doctors to the Ward-Boy, are totally protected from the Covid-19 infection.

Seventhly, since the Gandhi Hospital has already decided to deploy nearly 50% of its staff, the Government is directed to consider the possibility of issuing the necessary instructions even to the private hospitals, which have been permitted to treat the Covid-19 patients, to reduce the staff and to employ them, in shifts, on weekly basis as is being done at the Gandhi Hospital.

Eighthly, although fifty-four hospitals have been designated as centres for treatment of Covid-19, patients tend to go to other hospitals as well. Due to the congregation of patients in other hospitals, the possibility does exist that many of these patients may be the carriers of Coronavirus. Therefore, the Government is directed to consider the possibility of issuing instructions and at least providing thermal screening to all the hospitals so that any patient or his relative, who may accompany such a patient is thermally screened at the entrance of the hospitals. In case, any patient or the accompanying member is found to indicate any covid-19 symptoms, the patient or the relative should immediately be quarantined, and the information should immediately be shared by the concerned hospital with the State Health Department. Such a procedure would not only protect the other patients, who are reporting to the hospitals, but would also protect the Medical Staff of the concerned hospital.

Mr. B.S. Prasad, the learned Advocate General, seeks time to produce the affidavits of the Superintendents of the Hospitals as directed by this Court in its earlier orders.

Mr. Namavarapu Rajeshwar Rao, the learned Assistant Solicitor General of India, is directed to furnish all the Circulars/ Instructions/Guidelines issued by the Union Health Ministry, to the State Government, by the next date.

Mr.B.S. Prasad, the learned Advocate General, is directed to submit a report with regard to the implementation of the directions of this Court today. The report shall be submitted on or before 26.06.2020.

The Registry is directed to list all these cases on 30.06.2020.

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