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AN ACT TO PROVIDE RESERVATION FOR WOMEN IN NOMINATED WORKS CONTRACTS AND SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR ECONOMIC UPLIFTMENT FOR WOMEN FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH OR INCIDENTAL THERETO.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Andhra Pradesh in the Seventieth Year of the Republic of India, as follows:

1. Short title, extent and commencement - (1) This Act may be called the Andhra Pradesh (50 Percent Reservation to women in Works Contracts and Service Contracts given on nomination) Act, 2019.

(2) It extends to the whole of the State of Andhra Pradesh.

(3) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, appoint.

2. Definitions - In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, -

(a) "Administrative Departments" mean all the Departments working under the administrative control of the Government of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) "Engineering Departments" mean all the Engineering wings attached to the Administrative Departments functioning under the control of Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(c) "Nominated Works" mean any civil work or service, which is given on nomination, by any Department functioning under the administrative control of the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

3. Reservation - There shall be 50 Percent Reservation to women in all Works Contracts and Service Contracts, given on nomination basis (Nomination Works) by all the Engineering Departments and the Administrative Departments, working under Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Provided that for the removal of doubts, it is further clarified that the present reservation is as a measure of horizontal reservation across all communities and this Act is to be read in conjunction with Reservation in nominated Works Contracts and Service Contracts for economic Up-liftment for BCs, SCs, STs and Minorities.

4. Nodal Agency - (1) The ENC (PR) shall be the Nodal agency, at the State level, for the purpose of implementation of reservation to women in all Works Contracts given on nomination basis (Nomination Works). Any works to be given on nomination basis shall be informed to the ENC (PR). The ENC (PR) shall submit monthly reports to the Women, Children, Disabled and Senior Citizens Department, in this regard. At District level, the District Collectors are responsible for the implementation of reservation to women, in all works contracts.

(2) The General Administration Department shall be the Nodal Agency for the implementation of reservation to women, in all Service Contracts given on nomination basis, at State level. Any Department proposing a Service Contract to be given on nomination basis, shall inform the General Administration

Department and the General Administration Department will monitor the implementation of reservation policy in those Service Contracts and will send monthly reports to the Women, Children, Disabled and Senior Citizens Department. At District level, the District Collectors are responsible for the implementation of reservation to women, in all Service Contracts.

5. Protection of action taken in good faith - No suit or other legal proceedings shall lie in any Court against the Institution, or against any authority, officer or employee of the Institution or against any person or body or persons acting under the order or direction of any authority or officer or employee of the Institution for anything which is in good faith done, or intended to be done in pursuance of the Act.

6. Power to remove difficulties - (1) If any difficulty arises, in giving effect to the provisions of the Act, the Government may, by order, make such provisions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Act, as appear to them to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty:

Provided that no such order shall be made after the expiry of two years from the commencement of the Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall as soon as may be after it is made, be laid before each house of the State Legislature.

7. Act to override the other laws - Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Act, the provisions of this Act and of any orders and rules made there under shall have effect, notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in any other law for the time being in force or any instrument having effect by virtue of such law.

8. Power to make rules - (1) The Government may, by notification, make rules for carrying out all or any of the purposes of this Act.

(2) Every rule made under this Act shall, immediately after it is made, be laid before the Legislature of the State, if it is in session and if it is not in session, in the session immediately following for a total period of fourteen days which may be comprised in one session or in two successive sessions and if, before the expiration of the session in which it is so laid or the session immediately following the Legislature agrees in making any modification in the rule or in the annulment of the rule, the rule shall, from the date on which the modification or annulment is notified, have effect only in such modified form or shall stand annulled as the case may be so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule.

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