

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Gram Panchayats - Reforms in Gram Panchayat Administration - Re-categorisation of Gram Panchayats based on Population, income and Geographical Area - Re-categorisation of Gram Panchayats in **Visakhapatnam District** into Three (03) categories and Rurban Gram Panchayat - Orders - Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MDL-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.43

Dated:09-03-2026
Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.110, PR&RD (Mdl.I) Dept., Date:19-07-2019.
2. G.O.Ms.No.34, PR&RD (Mdl.I) Dept, Date:22-01-2025.
3. The Report of the Committee on the Comprehensive Review of the Re-categorisation and Staffing Pattern of Gram Panchayats, submitted on 12.09.2025.
4. From the Commissioner, PR&RD E File bearing No. 2820672.
5. G.O.Ms.No.91, PR&RD (Mdl.I), Date: 04-11-2025.
6. G.O.Ms.No.177, Revenue(Lands-IV) Department, Dated:02.04.2022.
7. Proposal received from Commissioner PR&RD, Date 28-01-2026.

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ORDER:

The 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act of 1992 mandates that State Governments ensure Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) function as institutions of self-government. Gram Panchayats are the basic Units of Village Governance, promoting locally responsible Administration and decentralisation. The Government of Andhra Pradesh, while recognising and considering diversity and varying characteristics of the rural population and settlements and Geographical features both in plain and Tribal Rural Areas, have decided to initiate policy reforms in Gram Panchayat Administration to suit the present-day developments in Administration which aims to realign resources to Country Planning, Service Delivery and Community Development.

2. In the State of Andhra Pradesh, the Gram Panchayat Administration evolves through the formation of Notified and Non-Notified Gram Panchayats, and the introduction of the Cluster System based on the income of the Gram Panchayat.

3. In the G.O. 1st read above, the Government introduced the Village Secretariat System, sanctioning the posts of Panchayat Secretaries Grade-V and Grade-VI. In view of these significant reforms in grassroots-level administration, it has become necessary to reassess the existing cluster system and undertake a re-categorisation of the Gram Panchayats to ensure effective implementation and administrative efficiency.

4. In the G.O. 2nd read above, and in order to address the current needs and requirements of Gram Panchayat administration, the Government has constituted a committee to undertake a comprehensive review of the re-categorisation of Gram Panchayats and to recommend an appropriate staffing pattern.

5. In the reference 3rd read above, the Committee had submitted a Comprehensive report along with recommendations for the re-categorisation of the Gram Panchayats and an indicative Staffing Pattern. The Committee have recommended the following criteria for recategorization of Gram Panchayats into three (3) categories and the Rurban Gram Panchayat category.

Proposed Grade	Plain Area	Scheduled Area
Rurban Gram Panchayat	(1) Population above 10,000 (or) (2) Income above Rs 1 crore	Population above 5,000
Grade-I Gram Panchayat	(1) Population above 3,000 and below 10,000 (or) (2) Income above Rs. 30 Lakhs and below Rs. 1 Crore (or) (3) Mandal Headquarter Gram Panchayat	(1) Population above 2500 and below 5000 (or) (2) Mandal Headquarter Gram Panchayat
Grade-II Gram Panchayat	Population above 2,000 and below 3,000	Population above 1,500 and below 2,500
Grade-III Gram Panchayat	Population below 2000	Population below 1500

6. In the G.O. 5th read above, orders were issued for the restructuring of the Panchayat Raj Department based on the recommendations of the Committee and the detailed proposals submitted by the Commissioner, PR&RD. Among the various aspects covered under the overall framework and terms of restructuring, one of the key issues pertains to the **re-categorization of Gram Panchayats**.

7. In the reference 7th read above, after consulting the District Collectors of the State, the Commissioner, PR&RD submitted proposals to the Government for district-wise re-categorization of the existing Gram Panchayats into three (3) categories, namely: Grade-I, Grade-II, Grade-III, and Rurban Gram Panchayats, in accordance with the guidelines issued in the G.O. 5th read above.

8. The Government, after careful examination of the proposal submitted by the Commissioner, PR&RD, hereby issues orders re-categorising the Gram Panchayats in Visakhapatnam District, which was notified vide G.O. 6th read above. The Mandal-wise abstract of the re-categorised Gram Panchayats in Visakhapatnam District is as follows:

Mandal-wise Abstract of Gram Panchayat Grades in Visakhapatnam District

Sl. No.	Name of the Mandal	Rurban	Grade-I	Grade-II	Grade-III	Grand Total
1	Anandapuram	2	5	5	14	26
2	Bheemunipatnam	0	5	8	3	16
3	Padmanabham	0	8	7	7	22
4	Pendurthi	0	7	3	5	15
	Grand Total	2	25	23	29	79

9. The list of Rurban Gram Panchayats, Grade-I Gram Panchayats, Grade-II Gram Panchayat and Grade-III Gram Panchayats is shown in Annexure-1, 2, 3 and 4 appended to this G.O.

10. The Director of Treasuries, A.P., Mangalagiri is requested to make necessary changes in the online data of Gram Panchayats in the CFMS Portal for smooth transaction of Gram Panchayat Funds.

11. The District Collector, Visakhapatnam District and the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development are requested to take necessary action accordingly.

12. This order is issued with the concurrence of the Finance (HR-II) Department vide U.O. No. FIN01-HR0PDPP(REP)/14/2025-HR-II (2976903), dated 03.10.2025.

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

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, Andhra Pradesh.

All the District Collectors in Andhra Pradesh.

All the District Panchayat Officers in Andhra Pradesh.

The PS to Special Chief Secretary to Government, PR&RD Department.

The GAD (Cabinete-II) Department.

The OSD to Chief Secretary to Government.

The OSD to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister (PR&RD).

The OSD to Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.

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SECTION OFFICER

Annexure-I

List of Rurban Gram Panchayats in Visakhapatnam District

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Mandal	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in English)	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in Telugu)	Grade
1	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Gambheeram	గంభీరం	Rurban
2	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Vemulavalasa	వేములవలస	Rurban

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Annexure-II

List of Grade-I Gram Panchayats in Visakhapatnam District

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Mandal	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in English)	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in Telugu)	Grade
1	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Anandapuram	ఆనందపురం	Grade-I
2	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Gidijala	గిడిజాలా	Grade-I
3	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Gottipalle	గొట్టిపల్లె	Grade-I
4	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Sontyam	సోంత్యం	Grade-I
5	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Vellanki	వెల్లంకి	Grade-I
6	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Chippada	చిప్పాడ	Grade-I
7	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Dakamarri	డకమర్రి	Grade-I
8	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Pedanagamayyapalem	పెడనగమయ్యపాలెం	Grade-I
9	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Tallavalasa	తల్లవలస	Grade-I
10	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Tatituru	టాటిటూరు	Grade-I
11	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Ananthavaram	అనంతవరం	Grade-I
12	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	B.R.Tallavalasa	బి.ఆర్. తల్లవలస	Grade-I
13	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Korada	కొరాడా	Grade-I
14	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Maddi	మద్ది	Grade-I
15	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Nerellavalasa	నేరెల్లవలస	Grade-I
16	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Padma nabham	పద్మనాభం	Grade-I
17	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Pandrangi	పంద్రంగి	Grade-I
18	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Reddipalle Agrm.	రెడ్డిపల్లె అగ్రిమ్.	Grade-I
19	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Gurrampalem	గుర్రంపాలెం	Grade-I
20	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Pinagadi	పినాగడి	Grade-I
21	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Rajayyapeta	రాజయ్యపేట	Grade-I
22	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Rampuram	రాంపురం	Grade-I
23	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Saripalli	సరిపల్లి	Grade-I
24	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	S.R.Puram	ఎస్.ఆర్.పురం	Grade-I
25	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Valimeraka	వలిమెరక	Grade-I

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Annexure-III

List of Grade-II Gram Panchayats in Visakhapatnam District

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Mandal	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in English)	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in Telugu)	Grade
1	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Kusulavada	కుసులవాడ	Grade-II
2	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Lodagalavani palem	లోడగలవానిపాలెం	Grade-II
3	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Mamidilova	మామిడిలోవా	Grade-II
4	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Peddipalem	పెద్దిపాలెం	Grade-II
5	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Tarluvada	తర్లువాడ	Grade-II
6	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Amanam	అమానం	Grade-II
7	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Annavaram	అన్నవరం	Grade-II
8	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Bodametta palem	బోడమెట్టపాలెం	Grade-II
9	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Laxmipuram	లక్ష్మీపురం	Grade-II
10	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Mulakuddu	ములకుడ్లు	Grade-II
11	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Nagarapalem	నాగరపాలెం	Grade-II
12	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Rekhavanipalem	రేఖవానిపాలెం	Grade-II
13	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Singanabanda	సింగనబంద	Grade-II
14	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Ayinada	అయినాడ	Grade-II
15	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Gandavaram	గండవరం	Grade-II
16	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Kovvada	కొవ్వాడ	Grade-II
17	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Krishnapuram	కృష్ణపురం	Grade-II
18	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Potnuru	పొట్నూరు	Grade-II
19	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Revidi	రెవిడి	Grade-II
20	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Tunivalasa	తునివలస	Grade-II
21	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Ch.Agraharam	చ. అగ్రహారం	Grade-II
22	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Gorapalli	గోరపల్లి	Grade-II
23	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Pedagadi	పెడగాడి	Grade-II

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List of Grade-III Gram Panchayats in Visakhapatnam District

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Mandal	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in English)	Name of the Gram Panchayat (in Telugu)	Grade
1	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	B P Kallalu	బి పి కల్లలు	Grade-III
2	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Bheemandora palem	భీమందొరపాలెం	Grade-III
3	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Boni	బోని	Grade-III
4	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Chandaka	చందక	Grade-III
5	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Gandigundam	గండిగుండం	Grade-III
6	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Kanamam	కనమం	Grade-III
7	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Kolavanipalem	కొలవానిపాలెం	Grade-III
8	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Mukundapuram	ముకుందపురం	Grade-III
9	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Mutcherla	ముచ్చెర్ల	Grade-III
10	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Palavalasa	పలవలస	Grade-III
11	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Pandalapaka	పండలపాక	Grade-III
12	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Pekeru	పేకేరు	Grade-III
13	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Ramavaram	రామవరం	Grade-III
14	Visakhapatnam	Anandapuram	Sirlapalem	సిర్లపాలెం	Grade-III
15	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Majjipeta	మజ్జిపేట	Grade-III
16	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Majjivalasa	మజ్జివలస	Grade-III
17	Visakhapatnam	Bheemunipatnam	Narayanaraju peta	నారాయణరాజుపేట	Grade-III
18	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Bandevupuram	బందేవుపురం	Grade-III
19	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Cherikandam	చెరికండం	Grade-III
20	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Chinnapuram	చిన్నపురం	Grade-III
21	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Penta	పెంటా	Grade-III
22	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Venkatapuram	వెంకటాపురం	Grade-III
23	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Vilasakanna palem	విలాసకన్నపాలెం	Grade-III
24	Visakhapatnam	Padmanabham	Buddivalasa Agraharam	బుడ్డివలస అగ్రహారం	Grade-III
25	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Chintagatla	చింతగట్ల	Grade-III
26	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Gavarapalem	గవరపాలెం	Grade-III

27	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Jangalapalem	జంగలపాలెం	Grade-III
28	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Jerripothula palem	జెర్రిపోతులపాలెం	Grade-III
29	Visakhapatnam	Pendurthi	Mudapaka	ముదపాక	Grade-III

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