

**SUBJECT NO 66**

**Sub:- VUDA – Legal – Status of Standing Counsels – Local courts, High Court and Supreme Court – Submitted for favour of perusal– Reg.**

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**AGENDA NOTE:**

It is to submit that currently VUDA is utilising the services of 6. Standing Counsels in various judicial platforms mentioned here under.

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the Standing Counsel</b>	<b>Name of the Court</b>
1.	Sri. P. Rajasekhar	Hon'ble High Court, Hyderabad
2.	Smt. K. Sridevi	Hon'ble High Court, Hyderabad
3.	Sri. L. Satya Narayana	Hon'ble Lower Courts, Visakhapatnam
4.	Sri. M.A. Rasool	Hon'ble Lower Courts, Visakhapatnam
5.	Sri. N. Madhava Rao	Hon'ble Lower Courts, Visakhapatnam

Sri. P. Rajasekhar, Advocate was appointed as Standing Counsel vide G.O. Rt.No.1803 Law (L3) Department dated 26.10.2010 for a period of three years from the date of assumption of charge i.e., 26.10.2010 and expired by 26.10.2013. The VUDA has requested vide letter Dt. 13.06.2013 to extend the tenure of the individual for another one year beyond 26.10.2013 and the Government has addressed vide letter dated 22.07.2013 to the Learned Advocate General, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad to take necessary action for extending the tenure of the Standing Counsel.

Smt V.Preethi Reddy who was Standing Counsel had completed two terms as Standing Counsel for VUDA and completed 7 ½ years. The VUDA vide Lr.Rc.No.903/2008/J1 dt.05-01-2013 requested the Government, MA & UD, to permit Smt.V. Preethi Reddy continue as the Standing Counsel to VUDA in the Hon'ble High Court of AP for the old cases which were already entrusted to her. The Special Secretary to Government MA & UD has informed

Vice-Chairman, VUDA that the request has been referred to the Advocate General, High Court of Andhra Pradesh.

Meanwhile, VUDA has not received any order on the request sought, either from the MA & UD Department or the Law Department. It is recorded that it is not advisable to continue her as Standing Counsel and allowing her to deal with old matters as it will be viewed as procedure against the Government orders or established practices in vogue in VUDA. Further basing on the proposal of the Learned Advocate General, Government have appointed Smt K.Sridevi, Advocate as Standing counsel for VUDA in the place of Smt V.Preethi Reddy vide orders issued in the GO Rt No.1440 LAW dt.27-8-2012 for a period of three years from the date of assumption of charge on 01.09.2012 till 01.09.2015.

Hence, the following order is given for treating old court cases basing on letter from Law Department vide No.754/LA & J/141/L4/2012 dt.7-12-2012.

1. Except the cases where Smt.V. Preethi Reddy is liasoning with the Supreme Court Advocate on Record for VUDA and WA No.1550/2012 which has come to the finality, all the cases have to immediately handed over to the other Standing Counsels as per the following subject wise allotment.
  - a. All cases of Estate Wing and Land Acquisition Wing related to Land and AO-F are allotted to the Standing Counsel Sri P.Raja Sekhar.
  - b. All other files of Planning, Engineering, DFO, Tribunal matters, AP Lokayukta, DFO Wing, AO-G cases files are to be allotted to Standing counsel Smt K.Sreedevi.
2. The old files, if any, with Smt.V. Preethi Reddy should be collected from her by the concerned HODs.

3. Any further correspondence on the cases should be done with the above two Standing Counsels only by the HODs.

The cases being attended by each Standing Counsel are as follows.

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the Standing Counsel</b>	<b>Name of the Court</b>	<b>No. of cases</b>
1.	Sri. P. Rajasekhar	Hon'ble High Court, Hyderabad	201
2.	Smt. K. Sridevi	Hon'ble High Court, Hyderabad	253
<b>Total</b>			<b>455</b>

Individual vakalats have been filed with the respective Standing Counsels to deal with the cases as stated above in the Hon'ble High Court and Hon'ble Tribunals. The HODs are yet to complete the tasks.

The following Standing Counsels are defending the VUDA in the Local courts. The details of cases are as follows.

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the Standing Counsel</b>	<b>No. of Pending cases</b>	<b>As per existing order tenure ends by</b>
1	Sri. M.A. Rasool	34	Appointed on 23-03-2007 vide Rc.No.327/81/A1 No specific tenure mentioned
2	Sri. N. Madhava Rao	29	Appointed on 22-01-2007 vide Rc.No.327/81/A1 No specific tenure mentioned
3	Sri. L. Satya Narayana	64	Appointed on 22-01-2007 vide Rc.No.327/81/A1 No specific tenure mentioned
<b>Total</b>		<b>127</b>	

As of now there are two Advocates- on-Records in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

1. Smt. S. Usha Reddy
2. Sri Ananga Bhattacharya

Payment to Senior Advocates for the cases in Hon'ble Supreme Court are made with the approval/ ratification of the Board.

The above details of Standing Counsels are placed before for the VUDA Board for favour of perusal and record.

Sl. No.	Subject No.	Subject	Resolutions
			<p><b>alienating the lands</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>JV marketing is not agreed in Housing Schemes of private developers.</b></li> </ul>
14	65	Status of the officials working on deputation basis in VUDA – Request for creation of Dy. CAO- Reg.	<b>It is agreed to recommend to the Government for creation of the post of Deputy Chief Account Officer (DyCAO) for the purpose of Internal Audit in VUDA to be filled up on deputation.</b>
15	66	Status of standing counsels – Local courts, High court and Supreme Court – submitted for favour of perusal – Reg.	<b>Perused. It is to be ensured by the VC, VUDA that no counsel continues beyond the tenure.</b>
16	67	Construction of Gated Community Row Housing Scheme at Rushikonda- disposal of Balance 60 units- Reg.	<b>In the present circumstances, it is ordered to go for disposal for Auction one more time; if no satisfactory results, then alternate methods of disposal can be resorted.</b>
17	68	Projects – Maha bodhi Society – Request for allotment of land for development of Buddhist Meditation Center and Buddhist Cultural Centre at Thotlakonda – Reg.	<b>Earlier proposal of VUDA Board is modified and the Society is instructed to approach the revenue Department for the lands required.</b>
18	69	Allotment of office accommodation of Udyog Bhavan Complex ‘C’ Block to IOB – Renewal of licence enhancement of licence fee – Request by IOB to reconsider the enhancement of lease rent	<b>Not considered in consonance with the decision taken at item no.62</b>

