

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

Social Welfare Department – Handing over/transfer of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Swaraj Maidan, Vijayawada 'As is, Where is' basis to the Director of Cultural Affairs, AP under the Administrative control of YAT&C Department for organizing regular cultural programmes at the venue, in alignment with the vision of promoting art, culture, and heritage – Orders – Issued.

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**SOCIAL WELFARE (CV.PCR) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.MS.No. 22

Dated: 01-07-2025  
Read the following:

- 1.G.O.Rt.No.244, S.W(CV.POA) Dept., dt.07.07.2020.
2. G.O.Rt.No.296, S.W(CV.POA) Dept., dt.12.08.2020.
3. G.O.Rt.No.43, S.W(CV.POA) Dept., dt.08.03.2021.
4. G.O.Rt.No.140, S.W(CV.POA) Dept., dt.08.05.2023.
5. G.O.Rt.No.165, S.W(CV.POA) Dept., dt.22.05.2023.
6. G.O.Rt.No.384, S.W(CV.POA) Dept., dt.17.11.2023.
7. G.O.Rt.No.15, S.W(CV.POA) Dept., dt.19.01.2024.
8. e-file No.2779627 received from the YAT & C Department.
9. From the Director of Social Welfare, Tadepalli, A.P., letter dt.18.06.2025.

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**ORDER: -**

In the reference 1st read above, the Government have issued orders for installation of 125 feet Statue of Dr. Babasaheb Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar and development of park at Swaraj Maidan, Vijayawada. The Water Resources Department shall transfer the land to an extent of 20 Acres to Social Welfare Department. The Social Welfare Department being the Nodal Department develop the whole area including statue, park, garden, landscaping etc. The AP Industrial Infrastructure Corporation(APIIC) is the executing agency for the project.

2. In the reference's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> read above, Government constituted a Committee with the Hon'ble Minister for Social Welfare as the Chairman and the Hon'ble Ministers for Education, MA&UD and Endowments, Housing, the Member of APLA, Vijayawada Central, Spl. Chief Secretary to Govt., Ind &C and other Prl.Secretaries / Secretaries / District Collector, NTR district are the Members of the Committee to review, approve and finalize the site development plan and also to suggest measures for the completion of the project. The Director of Social Welfare is the Member Convener of the Committee.

3. In the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, Government accorded administrative sanction at an estimated cost of Rs.268.46 Crores for installation of 125 feet Statue of Dr.Babasaheb Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar and development of park at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Swaraj Maidan, Vijayawada, in relaxation of F.R.B.M. norms. In the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above, Government have revised the administrative sanction to enhance the estimated cost from Rs.268.46 Crores to Rs.297.71Crores (Rupees Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Crores and Seventy-One Lakhs only) for installation of 125 feet Statue of Dr.Babasaheb Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar and development of park and allied works at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Swaraj Maidan, Vijayawada.

4. In the reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above, Government have accorded administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.106.64 crores (Rupees One Hundred six crores and sixty-four lakhs only) as additional funds towards additional works / items in Phase-II which includes convention centre, food courts etc. at Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Swaraj Maidan, Vijayawada.

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5. In the reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above, Government have constituted a Steering Committee chaired by the District Collector of NTR District, to facilitate inter-departmental coordination for the operation and maintenance of the premises. It was also ordered that the Steering Committee shall constitute itself into a Fully Pledged Government Society at the earliest and shall formulate and take proper approval of its memorandum and rules of association by the competent authority before its official registration. The society shall take over the roles of the Steering Committee and this will ensure that there is a legal entity with Financial Autonomy and Accountability for proper Operation and Maintenance of the Society. Until the completion of Defect Liability Period, APIIC would be responsible for any kind of defects/damages/liabilities as per the existing agreements in force with all the work execution agencies. There shall be a project handover and knowledge sharing MoU between APIIC and the Steering Committee after the completion of the Project.

6. In the reference 8<sup>th</sup> read above, the YAT & C Department have requested to take necessary steps to handover the Dr B.R.Ambedkar Swaraj Maidan, Vijayawada, to YAT & C Department to conduct daily cultural programs at the venue, in alignment with the vision of promoting art, culture, and heritage.

7. In the reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above, the Director of Social Welfare, Tadepalli have furnished the following detailed budget requirement for completion of remaining works: -

(Rs. in crores)

Sl.No	Total estimate amount	Total work done amount	Bills paid till date	Bills to be paid	Value of work to be done	Balance budget required for FY 2025-26
(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi) = (ii) - (iii)	(vi) = (v) + (vi)
1.	404.35	277.62	234.76	42.86	126.73	169.59

8. The Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby, instructs the Director of Social Welfare, Tadepalli to handover/transfer the Dr B.R.Ambedkar Swaraj Maidan, Vijayawada 'As is, Where is' basis to the Director of Cultural Affairs, AP under the Administrative control of YAT&C Department for organizing regular cultural programmes at the venue, in alignment with the vision of promoting art, culture, and heritage.

9. The Director of Social Welfare, Tadepalli, and the Director of Cultural Affairs, AP, shall take further necessary action accordingly.

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

**M.M. NAYAK**  
**SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To  
The Spl. Chief Secretary to Govt., YAT&C Dept.  
The Director of Social Welfare, Tadepalli, Guntur District.  
The Director of Cultural Affairs, Durgapuram, Vijayawada, AP.

**Copy to:**

The VC&MD, APIIC Ltd., Tadepalli  
The Collector & District Magistrate, NTR District  
The PS to Minister (SW)  
The PSs to Minister (T&C), MA&UD, Housing, Education, Endowments  
The Director, I & PR, A.P., Vijayawada.  
The HODs under Administrative control of SW Dept. through the DSW, AP

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The P.S to Special Chief Secretary to the Governor of A.P.,  
Raj Bhavan, Vijayawada.  
The P.S. to Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.  
The P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.  
The P.S. to Principal Finance Secretary.  
The P.S. to Secretary (Social Welfare).  
The G.A (Cabinet) Department.  
The G.A (Political) Department.  
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**//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER**