

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department – Elections – Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Fixation of Strength of Nagar Panchayats and Municipal Councils) Rules, 2004– Amendment - Notification - Orders – Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (G) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 64

Dated: 24-03-2026
Read the following:-

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1. G.O.Ms.No. 468, M.A. & U.D. (Elec.II) Department, dated: 02.11.2004
2. G.O.Ms.No.170, MA&UD (Elec.I) Department, dated: 12.05.2011.
3. From the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Lr.Roc.No.13032/4/2025/H1, dated 27-11-2025.

ORDER:

In the ref. 3rd read above, the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Andhra Pradesh, has proposed to amend the existing rules viz., the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Fixation of Strength of Nagar Panchayats and Municipal Councils) Rules, 2004 and Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporations (Fixation of Strength of Elected Members) Rules, 2005 based on the population criteria for fixation of Strength of Elected Members in Municipalities & Nagar Panchayats and in Municipal Corporations in the State.

2. The Government after careful examination of the proposal hereby issue the following Notification for the amendments to A.P. Municipalities (Fixation of Strength of Nagar Panchayats and Municipal Councils) Rules, 2004 as proposed by Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, AP, subject to the following Conditions:-

- i. Deficit-running ULBs shall not divert tied grants (XVIth Finance Commission, SCSP/TSP etc.) towards recurring administrative expenditure.
- ii. No honorarium revision to the elected representatives shall be undertaken without the prior permission of the Government.
- iii. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, AP shall reorganize and rearrange the existing manpower as per the territorial delimitation without increasing the number from the current strength in all the departments of the local bodies.

3. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, AP, is therefore directed to take further necessary action in the matter.

4. Accordingly, the following notification will be published in an extraordinary issue of Andhra Pradesh Gazette dated: 24.03.2026.

5. The Commissioner, Printing, Stationery and Stores Purchase, Vijayawada, is requested to send (150) copies of the notification to the Government urgently.

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 326 read with clause (i) of sub-section (2) of Section 5 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, (Andhra Pradesh Act No. 6 of 1965) Government hereby makes the following amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Fixation of strength of Nagarpanchayats and Municipal Councils) Rules, 2004 issued in G.O.Ms.No.468, M.A. & U.D. (Elec.II) Department, dated: 02.11.2004, and as amended from time to time.

AMENDMENT

In the said Rules: -

(i). Rule 3 shall be omitted.

(ii). In Rule 4, the following table shall replace the existing Table;

Sl. No.	Population as Last Census	No. of Elected Members
1	Not exceeding 30,000	23
2	Exceeding 30,000 but not exceeding 40,000	28
3	Exceeding 40,000 but not exceeding 50,000	32
4	Exceeding 50,000 but not exceeding 60,000	36
5	Exceeding 60,000 but not exceeding 80,000	40
6	Exceeding 80,000 but not exceeding 1,00,000	44
7	Exceeding 1,00,000 but not exceeding 1,50,000	48
8	Exceeding 1,50,000	52

(iii) The Following Provision shall be inserted after the existing provision:

Provided that the number of Ward Members so fixed under this rule shall not be altered until the next succeeding census figures are published by the Central Government, except in case of change of jurisdiction of Nagar Panchayat or Municipality, or in case of constitution of a Nagar Panchayat or Municipality.

(iv). Insertion of new Rules:

Rule 5:

Whenever the Strength of Ward Members of a Nagar Panchayat or Municipality fixed under Rule (4), the same shall take effect from the date of expiry of the term of the existing elected Body.

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Rule 6:

Whenever there is a change in the Strength of Ward Members of a Nagar Panchayat or Municipal Council, re-division of Nagar Panchayat or Municipality into wards as per Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Division of Nagar Panchayats and Municipalities into wards) Rules, 1995 shall be taken on a compulsory basis before conduct of ordinary elections to such Nagar Panchayat or Municipal Council.

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

**S. SURESH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner, Printing, Stationery and Stores Purchase, A.P., Vijayawada.

(with a request to furnish (150) copies of the notification to Government)

The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Rayapudi.

The Secretary, State Election Commission, Andhra Pradesh.

All Municipal Commissioners in the State through Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P.

All the District Collectors in the State through C&DMA, AP.

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The P.R. & R.D. Department.

The Finance Department.

The Law Department.

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SECTION OFFICER