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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI [3396]
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE 15th DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

WRIT PETITION NO: 27976/2025

Between:

1. SRI KOWSHIK CONSTRUCTIONS, CHINNADANDLURU VILLAGE, YERRAGUNTIA MANDAL, YSR KADAPA DISTRICT REP BY ITS MANAGING PARTNER SRI LEVAKU VENKATA MAHESWARA REDDY, S/O. LEVAKU GANGI REDDY,

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, FOREST, ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PLANNING, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, GUNTUR DISTRICT
3. THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, AND HEAD OF FOREST FORCE, STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH ARANYA BHAVAN, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
4. THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, , WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT DIVISION, NANDYAL (WL) DIVISION, NANDYAL, NANDYAL DISTRICT.

5. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR DISTRICT FOREST OFFICER, PROJECT (T) DIVISION, NANDYAL DISTRICT, NANDYAL.

6. THE FOREST RANGE OFFICER, RUDRAVARAM RANGE, RUDRAVARAM, NANDYAL DISTRICT,

7. THE CONSERVATOR OF FOREST, R S ROAD, KURNOOI KURNOOL DISTRICT.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue an order, writ or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in not releasing the final bill amounts of Rs.35344 and the EMD (Tender 1 through online and Security deposit 1.5) amounts of Rs. 12675, FSD amount of Rs.5075 and the final bill amounts of Rs.29793 The EMD (Tender 1 through online and Security deposit 1.5) amounts of Rs.8685, FSD amount of Rs.4278 and the final bill amounts of Rs.63990The EMD (Tender 1 through online and Security deposit 1.5) amounts of Rs.11150, FSD amount of Rs.9188 and the final bill amounts of Rs.45074The EMD (Tender 1through online and Security deposit 1.5) amounts of Rs.17200, FSD amount of Rs.10517 and the final bill amounts of Rs.40798and the EMD (Tender 1through online and Security deposit 1.5) amounts of Rs.14440, FSD amount of Rs.8563total amounts (5 Works) of Rs.3,16,770 to the petitioner for the works done by the petitioner in terms of Agreements entered by the 4th respondent vide Agreement No.15/2017-18, dated12.12.2017, Agreement No.16/2017-18, dated12.12.2017, Agreement No.17/2017- 18, dated 12.12.2017, Agreement No.18/2017-18, dated 12.12.2017 and Agreement No.19/2017-18, dated 12.12.2017 as illegal, arbitrary, violation of principles of natural justice and unconstitutional and consequently direct the respondents to pay the said undisputed Final Bill amounts.

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. M SIVA KUMAR

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR FORESTS

2. GP FOR FINANCE PLANNING

The Court made the following:

ORDER:

The present Writ Petition came to be filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following relief:-

> "*…to issue an appropriate Writ, order or direction, more particularly one in the nature of Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondents in not releasing the final bill amount of Rs.35344/- and the EMD (Tender 1% through online and Security deposit 1.5%) amount of Rs.12675/-, FSD amount of Rs.5075/- and the final bill amount of Rs.29793/-, the EMD (Tender 1% through online and Security deposit 1.5%) amount of Rs.8685/-, FSD amount of Rs.4278/- and the final bill amount of Rs.63990/-, the EMD (Tender 1% through online and Security deposit 1.5%) amounts of Rs.11150/-, FSD amount of Rs.9188/- and the final bill amounts of Rs.45074/-, the EMD (Tender 1through online and Security deposit 1.5%) amount of Rs.17200/-, FSD amount of Rs.10517/- and the final bill amount of Rs.40798/- and the EMD (Tender 1% through online and Security deposit 1.5%) amount of Rs.14440/-, FSD amount of Rs.8563/-, total amount (5 Works) of Rs.3,16,770/- to the petitioner for the works done by the petitioner in terms of Agreements entered by the 4th respondent vide Agreement No.15/2017-18, dated12.12.2017, Agreement No.16/2017-18, dated12.12.2017, Agreement No.17/2017- 18, dated 12.12.2017, Agreement No.18/2017-18, dated 12.12.2017 and Agreement No.19/2017-18, dated 12.12.2017 as illegal, arbitrary, violation of principles of natural justice and unconstitutional and consequently direct the respondents to pay the said undisputed Final Bill amounts...*"

2. When the matter is taken up for hearing, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Forests would submit that there is no dispute with regard to the quantum of the amount claimed by the petitioner and, therefore, the Writ Petition may be disposed of by fixing a time limit for clearance of the bills.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the Writ Petition may be disposed of by recording the said submission made on behalf of the respondents.

4. In view of the submissions made by the learned counsel appearing for both parties, and as there is no dispute with regard to the quantum of the amount claimed by the petitioner, the Writ Petition is disposed of directing the respondents to release the amount payable to the petitioner within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

Consequently, all pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall stand closed.

Dr. JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

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