

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATHI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)**

FRIDAY, THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JANUARY, ✓
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX ✓

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAVI CHEEMALAPATI

WRIT PETITION NO: 836 OF 2026 ✓

Between:

M.Venkata Subba Reddy, S/o Rami Reddy, Age 60 years, Occ: F.P. Shop
dealer for Shop No.0835007, Atchampeta Village Racherla Mandal, ✓
Prakasam District -523321

...Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, rep.by its Principle Secretar, Civil
Supplies Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur Dist.-522237
2. The Joint Collector, (CS) Prakasam Dist., at Ongole-523001.
3. The Sub Collector/Revenue Divisional Officer, Markapur Division,
Prakasam District - 523316.
4. The Tahsildar, Racherla Mandal, Prakasam District - 523356 ✓

...Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue a writ or direction preferably writ of mandamus declaring the order issued by 3rd respondent vide Rc.C/141/2025 dt 24-12-2025 the removing the petitioner's authorization in respect of the F.P Shop No.0835007, Atchampeta Village Racherla Mandal, Prakasam Dist., without following the procedure as contemplated under AP State Targetted Public Distribution System (Control) Ord,er,2018 as illegal, arbitrary, and violative of principles of natural justice and

consequently set aside the impugned order dt 24-12-2025 and further direct the respondents to continue the petitioner as FP Shop dealer as usual;

IA NO: 1 OF 2026:

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the order issued by the 3rd respondent vide Rc.C/141/2025 dt:24-12-2025 removing authorization of the petitioner in respect of FP Shop No.0835007, Atchampeta Village Racherla Mandal, Prakasam Dist., by continuing the petitioner as FP Shop dealer, pending disposal of WP.No.836 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of Sri M.M.M.Srinivasa Rao, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for Civil Supplies for the Respondent Nos.1 to 4, the Court made the following;

ORDER:

The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the entire impugned proceedings has been passed by the authorities basing on the report of the Enforcement Deputy Tahsildhar without submitting the said report to the petitioner. When the authorities has passed an order basing on the said report, not furnishing a copy of the same to the petitioner is in clear violation of the principles of natural justice.

He further submits that in the Show Cause Notice, it is not mentioned as to when the inspection took place. ✓

Though a detailed explanation is submitted by the petitioner, the authorities have not dealt with the same in the right perspective. ✓

He submits that, if the impugned order subsists, it affects the rights of the petitioner and even as on today, no other temporary dealer is appointed.

In the meantime, if any other temporary dealer is appointed, the 3 rd interest would come to force.

The learned Assistant Government Pleader for Civil Supplies sought time, for filing counter.

List the matter on 20.02.2026.

In order to meet the ends of justice, this Court is inclined to pass the following order:

There shall be an order of *status quo*, existing as on today.

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For

SD/- K. KASIRAO ACHARI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR


SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principle Secretary, State of Andhra Pradesh, Civil Supplies Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur Dist.-522237 (by **Special Messenger**)
2. The Joint Collector, (CS) Prakasam Dist., at Ongole-523001.
3. The Sub Collector/Revenue Divisional Officer, Markapur Division, Prakasam District - 523316.
4. The Tahsildar, Racherla Mandal, Prakasam District - 523356
(Addressee Nos.2 to 4 by **RPAD**)
5. One CC to Sri. M.M.M.Srinivasa Rao, Advocate [OPUC]
6. Two CCs to GP for Civil Supplies, High Court of Andhra Pradesh.
[OUT]
7. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

RC,J

DATED:30/01/2026

LIST THE MATTER ON 20.02.2026

ORDER

WP.No.836 of 2026

STATUS QUO

