

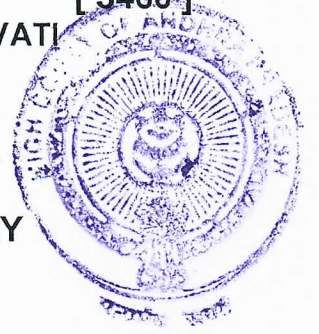
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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)**

FRIDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

:PRESENT:

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY
WRIT PETITION NO: 933 OF 2018**



Between:

I Ravindra Babu, S/o Late Subba Rao Aged about 45 years, Occupation practicing Advocate at Hyderabad and Ex Standing Counsel for Municipalities in Andhra Area at A.P.Administrative Tribunal in Hyderabad R/o H.No- 1-8-700/30 Padma colony, Nallakunta, Hyderabad

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep by its Prl.Secretary Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, secretariat buildings Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration and Urban Development Authority, 4th floor, Sri Krishna Enclave, Gorntla, Guntur District 522034
3. The Commissioner, Srikakulam Municipal Corporation, Srikakulam District.
4. The Commissioner, Amadalavalsa Municipality, Srikakulam District.
5. The Commissioner, Vizianagaram Municipality, Vizianagaram District.
6. The Commissioner, Bobbili Municipality, Vizianagaram District
7. The Commissioner, Parvathipuram Municipality, Vizianagaram District
8. The Commissioner, Saluru Municipality, Vizianagaram District
9. The Commissioner, Nellimarla Nagar Panchayat, Vizianagaram District
10. The Commissioner, Anakapalli Municipality, Visakhapatnam District
11. The Commissioner, Bheemunipatnam Municipality, Visakhapatnam District

12. The Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District
13. The Commissioner, Tuni Municipality, East Godavari District
14. The Commissioner, Ramchandrapuram Municipality, East Godavari District
15. The Commissioner, Pithapuram Municipality, East Godavari District
16. The Commissioner, Mandapet Municipality, East Godavari District
17. The Commissioner, Peddapuram Municipality, East Godavari District
18. The Commissioner, Bhimavaram Municipality, West Godavari District
19. The Commissioner, Palacole Municipality, West Godavari District
20. The Commissioner, Tadepalligudem Municipality, West Godavari District
21. The Commissioner, Narsapur Municipality, West Godavari District
22. The Commissioner, Tanuku Municipality, West Godavari District
23. The Commissioner, Nidadhavole Municipality, West Godavari District
24. The Commissioner, Machilipatnam Municipality, Krishna District
25. The Commissioner, Gudivada Municipality, Krishna District
26. The Commissioner, Nuzvid Municipality, Krishna District
27. The Commissioner, Jaggaiahpetta Municipality, Krishna District
28. The Commissioner, Pedana Municipality, Krishna District
29. The Commissioner, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat, Krishna District
30. The Commissioner, Vuyyur Nagar Panchayat, Krishna District
31. The Commissioner, Tenali Municipality, Guntur District
32. The Commissioner, Narasaraopet Municipality, Guntur District
33. The Commissioner, Baptla Municipality, Guntur District
34. The Commissioner, Chilakakuripeta Municipality, Guntur District

35. The Commissioner, Ponnuru Municipality, Guntur District
 36. The Commissioner, Repalle Municipality, Guntur District
 37. The Commissioner, Mangalagiri Municipality, Guntur District
 38. The Commissioner, Tadepalli Municipality, Guntur District
 39. The Commissioner, Ongole Municipal Corporation, Prakasam District
 40. The Commissioner, Chiralala Municipality, Prakasam District
 41. The Commissioner, Kandukur Municipality, Prakasam District
 42. The Commissioner, Kanigiri Municipality, Prakasam District
 43. The Commissioner, Kavali Municipality, Nellore District
 44. The Commissioner, Atmakur Nagar Panchayat, SPSR Nellore District
 45. The Commissioner, Sullurpet Nagar Panchayat, Nellore District
- Respondent**

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 appropriate writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of the Writ of Mandamus, declaring the in action of the respondents in not settling the petitioner's claim for professional fee and expenditure even after receiving his letters and Legal Notices date 25-10-2017 and 15-12-2017 as illegal, void and arbitrary and consequently to direct the respondents to pay the arrears of the legal fees to the petition as per the consolidated bills dated 25-10-2017 and 15-12-2017 submitted to the respondents forth with.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the respondents to settle the petitioner dues of professional fee and expenditure claimed under Legal Notices dated 25-10-2017 and 15-12-2017, Pending disposal of WP 933 of 2018, 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 the earlier order of the High Court datyed 30.06.2025 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri KARUPOLU NARASIMHA RAO Advocate for the Petitioner and of GP MUNICIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV, for the Respondents, the Court made the following.

ORDER

“Respondent Nos. 25 and 39 are present before the Court.

It is stated that Respondent Nos. 25 and 39 had paid the amount due to the Petitioner. But, substantial amounts are due towards the legal fee to the Petitioner from the Respondents.

In that view and in continuation of interim order dated 06.05.2025 passed by this Court, the Respondent Nos. 19, 20, 43 are directed to appear before this Court on 11.07.2025 through virtual mode as to why the amounts due to the Petitioner have not been paid till today.

Considering the explanation submitted by the Respondent Nos.25 and 39 that they have assumed the office recently and they were not aware of the amount due to the petitioner and due to lack of availability of files, the appearance of Respondent Nos. 25 and 39 is dispensed with .”

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For /

**SD/- K.SRINIVASA RAJU
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

SECTION OFFICER

To,

- 1. The Principal Secretary, The State of Andhra Pradesh, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District.(by SPECIAL MESSENGER)**

2. The Commissioner, Ongole Municipal Corporation, Prakasam District
3. The Commissioner, Gudivada Municipality, Krishna District .(Nos. 2 & 3 by **SPEED POST**)
4. One CC to SRI. KARUPOLU NARASIMHA RAO Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to GP MUNICIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV(AP) ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
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HIGH COURT

VN,J

DATED:04/07/2025

ORDER

WP.No.933 of 2018

DISPENSED WITH

