

(SHOW CAUSE NOTICE BEFORE ADMISSION)
IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

THURSDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF FEBRUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NYAPATHY VIJAY
WRIT PETITION NO: 4885 OF 2026



Between:

Sri Narayana Reddy Somachandra Reddy, S/o Late Narayana Reddy
Aged about 70 years, Retired Govt. Teacher Resident of 11-110, MBT
Road Palamaner, L.B Nagar, Chittoor - 517408

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Represented by its Principal Secretary
Department of School Education Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati-
522237
2. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Represented by its Commissioner of
School Education, 4th Floor, Gutta Ibrahimpatnam Secretariat,
Velagapudi, Amaravati -521456
3. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Represented by its Principal Secretary
Department of Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Secretariat,
Velagapudi, Amaravati The Commissioner Panchayat Raj and Rural
Development Department Vijayawada, Krishna District-520001, 520002
4. The District Collector, Chittoor -517002
5. The District Educational Officer, Chittoor-517001
6. District Panchayat Officer, Chittoor District -517001 or 517002
7. Zilla Praja Parishad, Represented by its Chief Executive Officer Chittoor
District-517001

8. Mandal Praja Parishad Development Officer (MPDO), Baireddipalle Mandal, Chittoor District -517001
9. Mandal Praja Parishad Development Officer (MPDO), V. Kota Mandal, Chittoor District-517001
10. The Head Master, Zilla Parishad Boys High Scholl at Baireddypalli Town and Mandal Chittoor- 517001
11. The Head Master, Zilla Parishad High School, V. Kota Mandal Headquarters - Chittoor- 517001

Respondents

WHEREAS the Petitioner above named through his/her Advocate SRI R YELLA REDDY presented this 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 order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus directing the Respondents not to undertake any activity of construction in the school premises of (a) Zilla Parishad High School at V. Kota Mandal Headquarters with an estimated cost of Rs. 25,00,000 (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Only), (b) Zilla Parishad Boys High School at Baireddipalle Town and Mandal with an estimated cost of Rs. 50,00,000 (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Only), Chittoor District and maintain the serenity and academic atmosphere of the school where tender aged children pursue their education and consequently, quash and set aside the order dated in proceeding ROC No. E7/3284/2025 dated 03-2025 and E/812/2025 dated 21-06-2025 by the Respondent No. 7 sanctioning under the ZP General Fund 2025-2026 for construction of commercial and shopping complex by holding the same as illegal, arbitrary, irregular and without jurisdiction.

AND WHEREAS the High Court upon perusing the petition and affidavit/memorandum of grounds filed herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri R Yella Reddy, Advocate for the Petitioner, GP for School Education for Respondent No.1, 2 & 5, GP for Panchayat Raj & Rural Development for the Respondent Nos.3 & 6, GP for Revenue for the

Respondent No.4 and of Sri M Sudhir, Standing Counsel for Respondent Nos.7 to 11, directed issue of notice to the Respondents herein to show cause as to why this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

You viz:

1. The Principal Secretary Department of School Education, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati-522237
2. The Commissioner of School Education, State of Andhra Pradesh, 4th Floor, Gutta Ibrahimpatnam Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati -521456
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are be and hereby directed to show cause either appearing in person or through an Advocate, as to why in the circumstances set out in the petition and the affidavit filed therewith (copy enclosed) this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted, on or before 19.03.2026, on which date the case stands posted for hearing.

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 petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondents not to undertake any activity of construction in the school premises of Z.P. High School (Boys), Baireddipalle Mandal, Baireddipalle and Z.P. High School at V. Kota, V. Kota Mandal, Chittoor District, pending disposal of WP No. 4885 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

The Court made the following: ORDER

Issue Notice to the Respondent (s) returnable in four weeks.

The Writ Petition is filed questioning the construction of shopping complexes in Zilla Parishad High School at V. Kota Mandal Head Quarters and Zilla Parishad Boys High School at Baireddipalle Town and Mandal as illegal and arbitrary.

It is stated that the Respondent No. 7 vide Proceedings in ROC.No.E7/3284/2025 and ROC.No.E7/812/2025 dated --03.2025 and 21.06.2025 sanctioned the construction of a commercial complex in front of ZP Boys High School at V. Kota Mandal and Baireddipalle.

The grievance of the Petitioner is that the construction is not in the interest of the school and the students, and it would amount to commercialization of the school premises.

Learned Standing Counsel appearing for the Respondents seeks time for getting instructions.

Considering the nature of the relief sought, this Court prima facie is in agreement with the contention that the construction of commercial complex in or in front of the subject schools is not in the interest of the schools or the students.

Therefore, pending further orders, the Respondents are restrained from proceeding with the construction of the commercial complex

pursuant to the Proceedings in ROC.No.E7/3284/2025 and ROC.No.E7/812/2025 dated 03.2025 and 21.06.2025 of the Respondent No.7.

Post on 19.03.2026.

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SD/- K.SRINIVASA RAJU
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

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11. The Head Master, Zilla Parishad High School, V. Kota Mandal Headquarters - Chittoor- 517001 (1 to 11 by RPAD- along with a copy of petition and memorandum of grounds)
12. One CC to SRI. R YELLA REDDY, Advocate [OPUC]

13. Two CCs to GP FOR SCHOOL EDUCATION, High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
14. Two CCs to GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT, High Court of Andhra Pradesh [OUT]
15. Two CCs to GP FOR REVENUE, High Court of Andhra Pradesh [OUT]
16. One CC to SRI. M SUDHIR, Standing Counsel [OPUC]
- 17. One spare copy**

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HIGH COURT

VN,J

DATED:19/02/2026

POST ON 19.03.2026

NOTICE BEFORE ADMISSION

WP.No.4885 of 2026

DIRECTION

