



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

[3233]

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

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE B KRISHNA MOHAN

WRIT PETITION NO: 4880/2026

Between:

1. CHIKATLA HARIKA, D/O MANTRI MANJULA W/O CHIKATIA
SRINIVAS AGED 38 YEARS R/O 14-27-1/16, K L RAO NAGAR
PEDAGANTYADA VISAKHAPATNAM

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, REVENUE DEPARTMENT, A P SECRETARIAT,
VELAGAPUDI AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT. REP BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY 522238
2. THE SPECIAL DEPUTY COLLECTOR, LAND ACQUISITION
VISAKHAPATNAM STEEL PLANT VISAKHAPATNAM 530001
3. THE JOINT COLLECTOR, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT 530044
4. THE TAHSILDAR, PEDANGANTYADA MANDAL VISAKHAPATNAMA.
5. REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, VISAKHAPATNAM. 530044
6. MANDAL REVENUE INSPECTOR, PEDANGANTYADA MANDAL
VISAKHAPATNAM 530044

...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 a suitable writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of mandamus declaring the high handed action of the Respondent No.4 in issuing Notice under Sec.6 of the A.P. Encroachment

Act vide RC.No.174/20258/SA Dt18-08-2025 by directing the Petitioner to evict the land by removing all encroachments, structures or boards within 24 hours of receipt of the order is contrary to section 10 of the A.P. Encroachment Act and consequently direct the Respondents No.4 not to take any coercive steps in pursuance of the order in RC.No.174/20258/SA Dt 18-08-2025 and pass

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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 suspend the operation of the order of 4th Respondent in RC.No. 174/20258/ SA Dt: 18-08-2025 pending disposal of the main Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.S A V RATNAM

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR REVENUE

The Court made the following:

The Court made the following Order:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue appearing for the respondents.

2. This writ petition is filed questioning the speaking order passed by the 4th respondent, dated 18.08.2025, under Section 6 of the A.P. Land Encroachment Act, 1905.

3. The 4th respondent passed the above said order after conducting an enquiry pursuant to the orders of this Court in W.P.No.10320 of 2025, dated 21.04.2025, and recorded that the petitioner did not appear for hearing in spite of giving an opportunity. Be that as it may, since the petitioner is having an alternative remedy of preferring an appeal against the speaking order of the 4th respondent, this Court is not inclined to show indulgence.

4. Accordingly, the petitioner is permitted to prefer an appeal before the 5th respondent/RDO against the order of the 4th respondent, dated 18.08.2025, if so aggrieved and if so advised.

5. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the said impugned order of the 4th respondent was received on 17.02.2026 and as such, there is still time available for the petitioner to prefer an appeal.

6. In view of the above said facts and circumstances, this writ petition is disposed of, giving liberty to the petitioner to seek any interim relief before the

appellate authority. The Interim order, if any, deemed to have been vacated.
There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel, Interlocutory Applications pending, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE B. KRISHNA MOHAN

19.02.2026
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