

**WP(PIL) NO: 40 of 2026**

Dasari Radha Krishna Murthy and others

...Petitioners

Vs.

The State of Andhra Pradesh and others

...Respondents

Advocate for petitioners : Ms. Varrey Venkata Naga Vishnu Teja

Advocate for respondents : Sri Y. Koteswara Rao, learned
Standing Counsel for Gokavaram
Gram Panchayat.**CORAM : THE CHIEF JUSTICE DHIRAJ SINGH THAKUR
SRI JUSTICE CHALLA GUNARANJAN****DATE : 25th February 2026****P C :**

The issue that has been highlighted in the present petition is the illegal action of Gokavaram Gram Panchayat in passing a resolution dated 13.02.2023 by virtue of which land measuring Ac.0-02 cents falling in R.S.No.261/1 in Dasarivari Veedhi of Gokavaram Village, which is stated to be belonging to the panchayat, was allotted to private respondent No.7 for constructing a residential building.

It is stated that the same land earlier was approved by the panchayat for construction of a community hall. It is also stated that earlier, from 1982 onwards, there exists a community hall which, however, by virtue of its dilapidated condition, was demolished leading to the resolution of the panchayat in the year 2022 for construction of a new building. However, it is stated that contrary to the earlier decisions, the general body of the Gram

Panchayat illegally allotted the same land for residential purpose for the benefit of respondent No.7, which is clearly impermissible.

Notice.

Personal notice on respondent No.7 is permitted.

The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development as also the District Collector, East Godavari District shall ensure that the reply affidavits are filed in this regard after due verification reflecting the exact nature of the land in question over which the construction has been raised by respondent No.7.

The response be filed positively on or before the next date of hearing. Respondent No.7 is restrained from creating any encumbrance on the property in question or creating any third party interests.

List on 22.04.2026.

DHIRAJ SINGH THAKUR, CJ

CHALLA GUNARANJAN, J

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