

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

TUESDAY ,THE TWENTY FOURTH DAY OF FEBRUARY

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 5384 OF 2026

Between:

K. Pradeep Babu, IRAS, S/o. Bhaskar Babu, aged about 44 years, Ex-Senior Divisional Finance Manager, South Central Railway, Guntakal Division, R/o. House No. 1135, Railway Officers Colony, Opposite Railway Officers Rest House, Prabhath Nagar, Guntakal - 515801, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh.

Petitioner

AND

1. Union of India, Rep. by its Secretary, Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) Rail Bhavan, New Delhi - 110001.
2. The General Manager, South Central Railway, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad, Telangana-500025.
3. The Divisional Railway Manager, South Central Railway, Guntakal Division, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh-515801.
4. The Divisional Personnel Officer, South Central Railway, Guntakal Division, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh-515801.

Respondents

WHEREAS the Petitioner above named through his/her Advocate Sri T SREEDHAR 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, declaring the action of the Respondents 3 & 4 in issuing the impugned notice dated 15.02.2026 directing the Petitioner to vacate residential Railway Quarter No.1135, Type-V, Railway Officers Colony, Prabhath Nagar, Guntakal, as arbitrary, illegal, contrary to the Railway Boards Letter No. E.(G) 2000 OR 1-23 dated 24-11-2020, ultra vires and Unconstitutional and consequently direct the respondents to permit the Petitioner to retain residential Railway Quarter No.1135, Type-V, Railway Officers' Colony, Prabhath Nagar, Guntakal till expiry of the permissible retention period under the Railway Board instructions;

AND WHEREAS the High Court upon perusing the petition and affidavit/memorandum of grounds filed herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri T SREEDHAR Advocate for the Petitioner, The Additional Solicitor General of India for the Respondent No.1 directed issue of notice to the Respondent Nos.2 to 4 herein to show cause as to why this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

You viz:

1. The General Manager, South Central Railway, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad, Telangana-500025.
2. The Divisional Railway Manager, South Central Railway, Guntakal Division, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh-515801.
3. The Divisional Personnel Officer, South Central Railway, Guntakal Division, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh-515801.

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 memorandum of grounds filed therewith (copy enclosed) this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted within three (3) weeks.

The Court made the following: ORDER

Notice before admission, returnable in three (3) weeks.

Issue notice to respondent Nos.2 to 4.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to take out personal notice to respondent Nos.2 to 4 by Speed Post/RPAD and file proof of service before the Registry within a period of three (3) weeks.

List the matter after three (3) weeks.

**Sd/- N. NAGAMMA
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The General Manager, South Central Railway, Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad, Telangana-500025.
2. The Divisional Railway Manager, South Central Railway, Guntakal Division, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh-515801.
3. The Divisional Personnel Officer, South Central Railway, Guntakal Division, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh-515801. (1 to 3 by RPAD- along with a copy of petition and memorandum of grounds)
4. One CC to SRI. T SREEDHAR Advocate [OPUC]
5. One CC to The Additional Solicitor General of India, High Court of A.P. [OPUC]
6. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

SRK,J

DATED:24/02/2026

LIST THE MATTER AFTER THREE (3) WEEKS

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