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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 TARLADA RAJASEKHAR RAO
WRIT PETITION NO: 5376 OF 2026

Between:

M/s. Lakshmi Wines, Rep. by its License Holder, Guttula Kanneswara Rao,
S/o. Guttula Suryarao, aged 57 years, R/o. D.No.8-137, Seethanagaram
Village and Mandal, East Godavari District -533201.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary,
Prohibition and Excise Department, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi,
Amaravati, Guntur District - 522 237.
2. The Director of Prohibition and Excise/ Commissioner of Prohibition and
Excise, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri, Guntur District - 522 503.
3. The Assistant Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise, Guntur, Guntur
District - 522 002
4. The District Prohibition and Excise Officer, Rajamahendravaram, East
Godavari District - 533 201
5. The Station House Officer, Korukonda Prohibition and Excise Station,
Rajamahendravaram- 533 201

Respondents

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 an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, more particularly
one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS, by declaring the action of the 4th
Respondent in issuing the proceedings Rc.No.G/21/2026 dated 17.02.2026 in

suspending the petitioner's license though the license period is subsisting up to 30.09.2026 pending further enquiry mechanically, with mala fide intention on vague grounds, without valid reasons and without any opportunity of being heard, as illegal, improper, unjust, arbitrary, in violation of Excise Act 1968, Article 14 and 19(1)(g) of the Constitution of India as well as the principles of natural justice and consequently set aside the same by permitting the license holder to run Petitioner A4 License Shop.

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 suspend the order of suspension vide Rc.No.G/21/2026 dated 17.02.2026 issued by the 4th Respondent by permitting the license holder to run Petitioner A4 License Shop, Pending disposal of WP 5376 of 2026, 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 upon hearing the arguments of Sri Ginjupalli Subba Rao, Advocate for the Petitioner, GP for Prohibition & Excise for the Respondent Nos.1 to 5 and the Court made the following

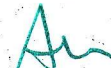
ORDER

There shall be interim suspension as prayed for, on condition of petitioner depositing an amount of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand only) within a period of two (02) weeks from today. Failing which, interim order shall stand vacated without further orders.

List the matter after four (04) weeks.

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

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, Prohibition and Excise Department, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District - 522 237.
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5. The Station House Officer, Korukonda Prohibition and Excise Station, Rajamahendravaram- 533 201(1 to 5 by RPAD)
6. One CC to SRI. GINJUPALLI SUBBA RAO, Advocate [OPUC]
7. Two CCs to GP FOR PROHIBITION EXCISE ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
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HIGH COURT

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DATED:24/02/2026

LIST THE MATTER AFTER FOUR (04) WEEKS.

ORDER

WP.No.5376 of 2026

INTERIM SUSPENSION

