



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

[3504]

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

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE MAHESWARA RAO KUNCHEAM

WRIT PETITION NO: 6531/2022

Between:

1. M/S. PEARL MINERAL AND MINES PRIVATE LIMITED,, REP., BY ITS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, G.M. AMBARISH, S/O. G.N. SWAMY, AGE 56 YEARS, REGD. OFFICE- 6-1-118/18, 2ND FLOOR, NORTH FLAT, MADHURA NAGAR COLONY, PADMARAO NAGAR, SECUNDERABAD - 500 025

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT,
2. THE DIRECTOR OF MINES AND GEOLOGY, GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, 5TH AND 6TH FLOOR, SREE ANJANEYA TOWERS, IBRAHIMPATNAM, VIJAYAWADA, KRISHNA DISTRICT
3. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF MINES AND GEOLOGY, ONGOLE, PRAKASAM DISTRICT
4. THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MINES AND GEOLOGY, ONGOLE, PRAKASAM DISTRICT

...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 writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS, declaring the action of the 2nd Respondent in Notice No.874/Vg/2020-2, dt.17-03-2020 as arbitrary, illegal, unjust, unconstitutional and violation of principles of natural justice in violation of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act 1957 and under A.P. Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 and covered by Judgment in W.P.No.13676 of 2020 and batch dt.02-03-2020 and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.N SHOBA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR MINES AND GEOLOGY

The Court made the following ORDER:

This Writ Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is filed for the following relief:

“.....declaring the action of the 2nd Respondent in Notice No.874/Vg/2020-2, dt. 17-03-2020 as arbitrary, illegal, unjust, unconstitutional and violation of principles of natural justice in violation of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act 1957 and under A.P. Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 and covered by Judgment in W.P.No.13676 of 2020 and batch dt. 02-03-2020 and pass.....”

2. Heard Smt. P. Vijaya Lakshmi, learned counsel representing Smt. N. Shoba, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Assistant Government Pleader for Mines & Geology appearing for the respondents.

3. Apparently, the writ petition was instituted in the year 2022 and this Court granted interim direction on 31.03.2022, suspending the operation of the Show-Cause-Notice dated 17.03.2020 issued by the 2nd respondent and the respondents had not filed any counter.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner, while placing a copy of the revision application dated 03.02.2026, submits that against the very same Show-Cause-Notice dated 17.03.2020 impugned in the present writ petition, the petitioner preferred revision *vide* challan No.91349762152025 dated 03.02.2026 before the revisional authority, under Rule 25 of the A.P. Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966.

5. Learned counsel seeks appropriate direction of this Court for disposal of the said revision as early as possible, since the matter is pending and no coercive steps have been initiated by the respondent authorities pursuant to the Show-Cause-Notice issued by the 2nd respondent.

6. On the other side, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Mines & Geology has not disputed the factum of filing the revision application by the petitioner against the Show-Cause-Notice.

7. Considering the submissions made that the revision being filed and pending before the revisional authority, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the 1st respondent to dispose of the revision filed by the petitioner through challan No.91349762152025, dated 03.02.2026, after affording due opportunity to the petitioner, in accordance with Law, as early as possible, within a period of eight (8) weeks, from the date of receipt of copy of this Order. Till the disposal of the said revision, respondent authorities are hereby directed not to take coercive steps basing upon the Show-Cause-Notice No.874/Vg/2020-2 dated 17.03.2020 issued by the 2nd respondent.

8. With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE MAHESWARA RAO KUNCHEAM

Date: 20.02.2026
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