



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

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THURSDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE SUMATHI JAGADAM

WRIT PETITION NO: 6524/2026

Between:

1. PUNGANUR REDDY SEKHAR, S/O, P REDDAPPA, AGED ABOUT 53 YEARS, R/O., D.NO., 1-15, VANDIA PALLI, KONDAMARRI PALLI, BASINIKONDA, BASINIKONDA (RURAL), MADANAPALLE, ANNAMAYA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.
2. PUNGANUR CHINNA REDDAPPA, S/O, P REDDAPPA, AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS, R/O, D.NO, 1-15, VANDIA PALLI, KONDAMARRI PALLI, BASINIKONDA, BASINIKONDA (RURAL), MADANAPALLE, ANNAMAYA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, REVENUE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
2. THE REVENUE DIVISIONAL SUB COLLECTOR CUM ARBITRATOR, MADANAPALLE, ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT.
3. THE JOINT COLLECTOR, MADANAPALLE MANDAL, ANNAMAYYA

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 an order, writ or direction, more particularly one in the nature of Mandamus declaring the action of the 2nd respondent in not disposing of the application filed by the Petitioners dated 07.04.2025, pending before him even after the expiry of 10 months is arbitrary, illegal, unconstitutional, unjust and consequently direct the 2nd respondent to dispose-off the petitioners application dated 07.04.2025 forthwith 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 direct the 2nd respondent to dispose-off the application pending before him filed by the Petitioners dated 07.04.2025, forthwith, pending disposal of the writ petition before this Hon'ble Court

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1. VARADAM SAI LIKHITH

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR REVENUE

The Court made the following:

ORDER:-

Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned Government Pleader for respondents. Perused the material on record.

2. The grievance of the petitioners is that a representation dated 07.04.2025 was filed seeking enhancement of compensation. However, the respondents have not passed any orders to date and the matter remains for consideration.

3. Learned Assistant Government Pleader, on instructions, dated 05.03.2026 submits that the petitioners are required to file an arbitration petition under Section 3G (5) of National Highways Act, 1956 before the District Collector, Annamayya District.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that a liberty may be granted to file an arbitration petition under the said provisions before the appropriate authority and requests time to prefer the same.

5. In view of the above, the Writ Petition is disposed of with a liberty to the petitioners to file an arbitration petition before arbitrator/appropriate authority under National Highways Authorities Act, 1956 within a period of two (02) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order along with all supporting documents. There shall be no order as to costs.

6. As a sequel, miscellaneous applications pending, if any, shall stand closed.

Date: 07.05.2026
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Dated: 07.05.2026
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