

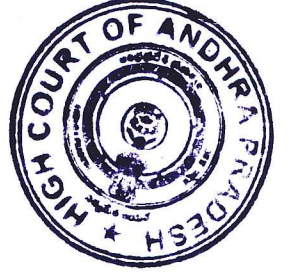
**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH :: AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

**THURSDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE**

PRESENT

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

WRIT PETITION NO: 7217 OF 2025



Between:

Sri Devarapalli Chaithanya Reddy, S/o Satyannarayana Reddy, Aged about 31 years, Occ: Farmer, R/o D.No. 8-110, Redia Bazar, Vetapalem, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh - 523187.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Home Department, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District, Rep. by its Principal Secretary.
2. The Station House Officer, Bapatla Police Station, Bapatla, Bapatla District, Andhra Pradesh.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, SEB Department, Vijayawada, Prakasham District, Andhra Pradesh.

...RESPONDENTS

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 a Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 2nd Respondent herein, not releasing his B Grey Color Nissan Sunny DCI XL BSIV Car viz. Car with Registration No. AP 31 CD 3799, Chassis No. MDHBDAN17CA502063, Engine No. K9KE424E025129, which was seized by the 2nd respondent on 10.02.2023 at about 04.00 PM near Rajiv Gandhi Colony, Bapatla Town, alleging that illegally transporting 1023 liquor bottles worth Rs.1,44,400/- in his car and the same was reported to Bapatla Town P.S. who registered a case in Crime No. 273 of 2023, dated 10.09.2023, on

the file of Bapatla Police Station, Under Sections 34(a), 50B(b), of AP Excise Act and the seized vehicle was kept in the Police Station, Bapatla as illegal, arbitrary and violative of Articles 14 and 19 of the Constitution of India, and consequently direct the respondent authorities to release his vehicle.

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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 direct the 2nd Respondent herein to release his vehicle viz. B Grey Color Nissan Sunny DCI XL BSIV Car viz. Car with Registration No. AP 31 CD 3799, Chassis No. MDHBDAN17CA502063, Engine No. K9KE424E025129, which was seized under FIR in Crime No. 273 of 2023, dated 10.09.2023, on the file of Bapatla Police Station, Bapatla, Under Sections 34(a), 50B(b), of AP Excise Act, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition.

Counsel for the Petitioner: SRI VENKAT CHALASANI

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR HOME

The Court made the following: ORDER



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The State Of Andhra Pradesh and Others

...RESPONDENT(S)

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.VENKAT CHALASANI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR HOME

The Court made the following Order:

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is aggrieved by the non-release of the car bearing No. AP 31 CD 3799, which was seized by the Bapatla Town Police Station on receipt of information that the petitioner is transporting liquor in the said car. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is not connected with the crime. However, the car belonging to the petitioner was used in the commission of the alleged crime.

2. The learned Assistant Government Pleader submits that the vehicle was seized as a crime property, and the petitioner has to approach the Magistrate Court seeking release by filing an application under Sections 497 and 503 of BNSS.

3. Considering the same, this Writ Petition is disposed off, leaving it open for the petitioner to take appropriate steps before the learned Magistrate. No costs.

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

Sd/- K. KASI RAO ACHARI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, Home Department, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District.
2. The Station House Officer, Bapatla Police Station, Bapatla, Bapatla District, Andhra Pradesh.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, SEB Department, Vijayawada, Prakasham District, Andhra Pradesh.
4. One CC to Sri Venkat Chalasani Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to GP for Home, High Court of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
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HIGH COURT

DATED:20/03/2025

ORDER

WP.No.7217 of 2025



DISPOSING OF THE W.P., WITHOUT COSTS