

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

TUESDAY, THE THIRTY FIRST DAY OF MARCH,
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND
WRIT PETITION NO: 8013 OF 2026



Between:

1. Annamreddy Nageswara Rao,
S/o Satyanarayana, Aged about 45 years
R/o Gopalapuram Mandal,
East Godavari District.- 534235
TBGR No. 17-008-203, TN No17-008-086
2. Tammireddy Seetharamireddy,
S/o Venkata Reddy, Aged about 45 years,
R/o resident of Gopalapuram Mandal,
East Godavari District.- 534235
TBGR NO. 17-008-574, TB No. 30-042-291
3. Tammireddy Mohan Reddy,
S/o Seetharamireddy, aged about major
R/o Gopalapuram Mandal,
East Godavari District.- 534235
TBGR No. 17/008/571, TB No. 30-007-087
4. Talari Venkateswara Rao,
S/o Venkanna, Aged about 60 years,
R/o Gopalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District.- 534235
TBGR No. 17/008/357, TB No. 17.008.274
5. Taneti Veera Raghavulu,
S/o Soorayya, age Major
R/o Gopalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District.- 534235
TBGRNO. 17-008-255, TBNO. 17-008-280
6. Botcha Bangarayya,
S/o Pentayya, age Major
R/o Gopalapuram Mandal,
East Godavari District.- 534235
TBGR NO. 17-08-435

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7. Gadde Satyavati,
W/o Durgarao, age Major
R/o Chityala village, Gopalapuram Mandal.- 534235
TBGR No. 17-063-249
8. Pallotu Srinivasa Rao,
S/o Somaraju, Aged about 45 years
R/o Vedullakunta village, Gopalapuram Mandal.- 534235
TBGR No. 17-021-076, TB No. 17-021-073
9. Balle Ramachandra Varaprasad,
S/o Rajarao, Age Major
R/o Yadavolu village, Devarapalli Mandal.- 534235
TBGR No 30-057-214, TB nos. 30-057-094, 30-057-095
10. Tirupati Rama Durgarao,
W/o Chandrarao, Aged about 45 years
R/o Yadavolu village, Devarapalli Mandal.,
East Godvari District - 534235
11. Naidu Satynarayana S/o. Pedda Krishna aged about 45 years,
Pothavaram village, Nallajarla, East Godvari District:534235
TBGR no. 30-042-459, TB No. 30-043-090.

..Petitioner/s

AND

1. UNION OF INDIA
Rep by its Secretary
to Government Ministry of Industries and Commerce Department Room
No 501 Vanijya Bhawan New Delhi 110001
2. The Executive Director,
Tobacco Board,
G.T. Road, Guntur - 522 004,
Andhra Pradesh.
3. The Tobacco Board,
through its Secretary, G.T. Road,
Guntur-522 004, Andhra Pradesh.
4. The Regional Manager,
Tobacco Board,
Rajahmundry/Ongole Region,
Andhra Pradesh.

5. The Auction Superintendent, Tobacco Board, Gopalapuram (Board-33).
East Godavari District - 534235
6. The Auction Superintendent, Tobacco Board, Devarapalli (Board-17).
East Godavari – 534235.

...Respondents

WHEREAS the Petitioners above named through their Advocate Sri M.Dhana Raju, 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 a Writ of Mandamus Declaring the action of the Respondents in insisting on the complete demolition or reduction of the wall heights of the Petitioners' old barns under Clause 13(n) of the 2025-26 Circular, and not permitting them to merely dismantle the curing infrastructure, as arbitrary, illegal, and violative of Articles 14, 21, and 300A of the Constitution of India; consequently Direct the Respondents to permit the Petitioners to dysfunction their old barns under the previous 2024-25 rule leniency (i.e., by merely removing the furnace sets, flue pipes, and tier poles) so the Petitioners can utilize the remaining structures for tying cattle, storing fodder, and safeguarding agricultural implements;

AND WHEREAS the High Court upon perusing the petition and affidavit filed herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri M.Dhana Raju, Advocate for the Petitioners and of Sri Jupudi V.K.Yagnadutt, Standing Counsel for the Respondents, directed issue of notice to the Respondents herein to show cause as to why this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted.

You viz:

1. The Secretary to Government Ministry of Industries and Commerce Department, Union of India, Room No.501, Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi 110001.
2. The Executive Director, Tobacco Board, G.T.Road, Guntur - 522 004, Andhra Pradesh.

3. The Secretary, Tobacco Board, G.T. Road, Guntur - 522 004, Andhra Pradesh.
4. The Regional Manager, Tobacco Board, Rajahmundry/Ongole Region, Andhra Pradesh.
5. The Auction Superintendent, Tobacco Board, Gopalapuram (Board-33). East Godavari District - 534235
6. The Auction Superintendent, Tobacco Board, Devarapalli (Board-17). East Godavari - 534235.

be and hereby are directed to show cause, either appearing in person or through Advocate, as to why in the circumstances set out in the petition and the affidavit filed therewith (copy enclosed) this WRIT PETITION should not be admitted on or before 21.04.2026, on which date the case stands posted for hearing.

THE COURT MADE THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

“Notice before admission.

Mr Jupudi V.K.Yagnadutt, learned Standing Counsel for the Central Government takes notice for the respondents.

Post on 21.04.2026 to enable the respondents to file their counter affidavits.”

**SD/- M.SRINIVAS
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER**

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To,

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6. The Auction Superintendent, Tobacco Board, Devarapalli (Board-17). East Godavari – 534235. (Addressee Nos. 1 to 6 by RPAD- along with a copy of petition and affidavit)
7. One CC to Sri M.Dhana Raju, Advocate [OPUC]
8. One CC to Sri Jupudi V.K.Yagnadutt, Standing Counsel[OPUC]
9. One spare copy.

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HIGH COURT

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DATE:31/03/2026

NOTE: POST ON 21.04.2026

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