



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

[3328]

MONDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE GANNAMANENI RAMAKRISHNA
PRASAD**

WRIT PETITION NO: 8474/2026

Between:

1. GOLLAMARI VENKATA NARAYANA REDDY, S/O. DONAKONDA REDDY AGE 62 YEARS, R/O. D. NO. 8/51 MARKAPUR VILLAGE AND MANDAL PRAKASAM DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPALITIES AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, A.P. SECRETARIAT BUILDING, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI-522238.

2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, FINANCE AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238.

3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, PRAKASAM DISTRICT AT ONGOLE-523001.

4. THE MARKAPUR MUNICIPALITY, MARKAPUR, MARKAPUR DISTRICT-523316. REP BY ITS COMMISSIONER

5. THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MARKAPUR MUNICIPALITY MARKAPUR, MARKAPUR DISTRICT-523316.

6. THE ASSISTANT ENGINEER, MARKAPUR MUNICIPALITY, MARKAPUR MARKAPUR DISTRICT-523316.

...RESPONDENT(S):

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.KAMBHAMPATI RAMESH BABU

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR REVENUE

2.GP MUNICIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP

3.GP FOR FINANCE PLANNING

The Court made the following:

ORAL ORDER:

Heard Sri S.B. Sathish, learned Counsel appearing on behalf of Sri Kambhampati Ramesh Babu, learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner, Sri M. Srinu Babu, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Municipal Administration & Urban Development, Ms. D. Naga Chandrika, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Finance & Planning and Sri Gudapati Lakshminarayana, learned Standing Counsel for Markapur Municipality.

2. Sri Gudapati Lakshminarayana, learned Standing Counsel for Markapur Municipality, has submitted the Written Instructions furnished by the Commissioner, Markapur Municipality dated 18.04.2026. Copy of it is supplied to the Counsel for the Writ Petitioner and the same is taken on record.

3. The Written Instructions would indicate that the Respondents have admitted the claim of the Writ Petitioner of an amount of Rs.8,25,585/- (net amount). The Written Instructions would also disclose that the amounts have not been paid due to lack of Budget. Having noted the same, this Court is of the view that the reasons shown by the Respondents for non-payment of small amount is unacceptable. (Please see (1) ***Surya Constructions vs. State of Uttar Pradesh and Others*** : (2019) 16 SCC 794 - Para Nos.2, 3 & 4, (2) ***Mr. S.C. Meena, EE (Project Narela) vs. Amit Tanwar*** : 2018 SCC

OnLine Del 8035 - Para No.48, (3) ***Kashmir Wood Products vs Verinag Development Authority and Others*** : 2021 SCC OnLine J&K 814 - Para No.8, (4) ***Kattam Reddy Venkateswarlu Reddy Vs. State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Municipalities and Urban Development Department and three others*** : Order dated 23.01.2026 in W.P.No.34418 of 2025 of High Court of Andhra Pradesh).

4. Having regard to these facts, this Court deems it appropriate to allow this Writ Petition, with a direction to all the Respondents, to complete the entire administrative process, both inter-departmental and intra-departmental, by way of mutual cooperation and coordination, within a period of six (6) weeks from today and transfer the due amount to the bank account of the Writ Petitioner within two (2) weeks thereafter.

5. Writ Petitioner is directed to submit the bank account details to the Competent Authority within three (3) weeks from today for effective compliance.

6. With these observations and directions, this Writ Petition stands allowed. No order as to costs.

7. Interlocutory Applications, if any, stand closed in terms of this order.

GANNAMANENI RAMAKRISHNA PRASAD, J

Dt:20.04.2026

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