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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

WEDNESDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF APRIL

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE GANNAMANENI RAMAKRISHNA
PRASAD

WRIT PETITION NO: 8563 OF 2026

Between:

M/s. Royal Ads Agency, Rep. by its Proprietor Md. Chan Basha S/o.
Rahamthulla, Aged about 48 years, Occ. Business, R/o.D.No.37-2-53, 1st
line, Islam Peta, Ongole, Prakasam District, A.P.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. Principal Secretary, Municipal Administration and Urban Development, A.P. Secretariat at Velagapudi, Amaravati.
2. The District Collector and District Magistrate -Cum- Special Officer, Ongole Municipal Corporation, Ongole, Prakasam District, A.P. 523001
3. The Ongole Municipal Corporation, Rep. by its Commissioner, Ongole, Prakasam District, A.P.-523001
4. Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, Occ. Commissioner, Ongole Municipal Corporation, Ongole, Prakasam District, A.P.-523001

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 order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents particularly the respondent nos.3 and 4 high handedly removing ~~the removing~~ the four cantilever non-illuminated display devices located at Addanki Bus Stand Center (2 nos.), Swathi Shopping Mall (1 no.), and opposite Joyalukkas on Kurnool Road, Ongole City which were established in the year 2018 with a valid permission of the 3rd respondent, now partly removed under the guise of the notices (i) Roc-No.5152/2025/GI, dated 20.03.2026 which was received on 23.03.2026, (ii) Roc-No.5152/2025/GI, dated 26.03.2026 which was dispatched on 28.03.2026 through courier service without considering the reply noticed dated 24.03.2026 sent through the petitioners counsel, and in violation of the orders passed by this Hon'ble Court in W.P.No.17519 of 2025 is being illegal, arbitrary, against the principles of natural justice and in violation of Articles 14, 21 and 300-A of the constitution of India and consequently direct the respondent nos.3 and 4 to restore the four cantilever non-illuminated display devices located at Addanki Bus Stand Center (2 nos.), Swathi Shopping Mall (1 no.), and opposite Joyalukkas on Kurnool Road, Ongole City at their own cost and permit the petitioner to maintain the four cantilever non illuminated display devices on its usual terms and conditions

IA NO: 2 OF 2026

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 respondent nos.3 and 4 to restore the four cantilever non-illuminated display devices located at Addanki Bus Stand Center (2 nos.), Swathi Shopping Mall (1 no.), and opposite Joyalukkas on Kurnool Road, Ongole City at their own cost and permit the petitioner to

maintain the four cantilever non illuminated display devices on its usual terms and conditions

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 stay of all further proceedings in pursuance of the impugned (i) Roc-No:5152/2025/GI, dated 20.03.2026 which was received on 23.03.2026, (ii) Roc-No:5152/2025/GI, dated 26.03.2026 which was dispatched on 28.03.2026 through courier service

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of Sri SURYAM GANNAVARAPU Advocate for the Petitioner(s), GP MUNICIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP for the Respondent No.1, A.S.C. Bose for respondent Nos. 2 & 3, and the Court made the following.

ORDER

Heard Sri S.M. Subhani, learned Counsel appearing on behalf of Sri Suryam Gannavarapu, learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner and Sri S. Vijay Kumar, learned Counsel appearing on behalf of Sri A.S.C. Bose, learned Standing Counsel for Ongole Municipal Corporation.

2. It is the submission of the learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner that the earlier Notice that was issued on 13.06.2025 (Ex.P.3) was recalled by the Respondents. Thereafter, the Respondents have again issued the impugned Notices dated 20.03.2026 & 26.03.2026 (Ex.P.1). It is the submission of the learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner that while there are several other hoardings that are put up by the third parties on the same road divider, the Official Respondents have directed only the Writ Petitioner herein to remove the hoardings and this

act of the Respondents is discriminatory in nature. He would also submit that the Respondent Officials have removed the frame.

3. There shall be a direction to all the parties to maintain Status quo obtaining as on today till the next listing.

4. List on 07.04.2026 in the motion list, to enable the Writ Petitioner to place on record the photographs indicating that the Respondents have allowed the other hoardings to remain which are erected by the third parties.

5. In the meantime, Sri S. Vijay Kumar, learned Counsel appearing on behalf of Sri A.S.C. Bose, learned Standing Counsel for Ongole Municipal Corporation, is directed to obtain Written Instructions. D

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SD/- N.NAGAMMA
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, State of A.P., Municipal Administration and Urban Development, A.P. Secretariat at Velagapudi, Amaravati.
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5. One CC to SRI. SURYAM GANNAVARAPU Advocate [OPUC]
6. One CC to SRI. S.Vijay Kumar Advocate [OPUC]
7. Two CCs to GP MUNICIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
8. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

GRKP, J

DATED:01/04/2026

LIST THE MATTER ON 07.04.2026

ORDER

WP.No.8563 of 2026

STATUS QUO

