



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

[3457]

MONDAY, THE 20th DAY OF JULY 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

WRIT PETITION NO: 10495/2026

Between:

1.B SRIDHAR REDDY, , S/O. GOPAL REDDY AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS, OCC CONTRACTOR, R/O. D.NO.1-97, YEDAVALLI VILLAGE, RACHERALLA MANDAL, PRAKASAM DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1.THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS,VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522238

2.THE STATE OF A P, REP., BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.522238

3.THE GIDDALURU NAGAR PANCHYATH, GIDDALURU, PRAKASAM DISTRICT. REP., BY ITS COMMISSIONER.523357

4.THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, GIDDALURU NAGAR PANCHYATH GIDDALURU, PRAKASAM DISTRICT. 523357

...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 topleased to issue an appropriate order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the inaction on part of the respondents in paying amount of Rs.31,18,682/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty Two only) towards work

entrusted by the respondents in petitioner favour through the Work Agreement No.275/2019-20, for transportation of water through tankers with the private water in ward No.1 to 20 unserved areas in the town as arbitrary, illegal, colorable exercise of power, abdication of the statutory duty cost on them and contrary to the well established legal principles apart from being violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to the petitioner under Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to pay the amount of Rs.31,18,682/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty Two only) towards the work entrusted by the respondents in petitioner favour for transportation of water through tankers with the private water in ward No.1 to 20 unserved areas in the town 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 respondents to pay the amount of Rs.31,18,682/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty Two only) towards the work entrusted by the respondents in petitioner favour for transportation of water through tankers with the private water in ward No.1 to 20 unserved areas in the town, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.D VIGNESHWAR REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR MUNICIPAL ADMN URBAN DEV

2.GP FOR FINANCE PLANNING

The Court made the following:

Order:-

The writ petition is filed aggrieved by the declaring the declaring the inaction on the part of the respondents in paying the amount of Rs.31,18,682/- (Rupees Thirty-One Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty-Two only) towards the work entrusted by the respondents in favour of the petitioner under Work Agreement No.275/2019-20, for transportation of water through tankers containing privately procured water to the unserved areas in Wards Nos.1 to 20 of the town, towards the aforesaid work entrusted by the respondents in favour of the petitioner.

2. It is submitted that the petitioner had completed the works entrusted to him and that the competent authority of the respondents had also approved the payment due and payable to the petitioner. The respondents have also recorded the progress of the works and the amounts due and payable to the petitioner in the M-Book. It is submitted that the competent respondent authority has certified the quality of the works completed by the petitioner and has also issued a Slip of recommendation for payment of bill. However, the respondents are yet to release the amounts due and payable to the petitioner.

3. Heard the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, the learned Government Pleader for Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Sri G. Lakshmi Narayana, learned Standing Counsel for the respondent Municipality, and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Finance and Planning.

4. During the course of hearing, the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent Municipality submits that the works have been completed and that the petitioner has also submitted the final bill and the amounts due and payable to the petitioner have been duly admitted. It is submitted that further funds are awaited and that, soon after the release of the funds, the bill due and payable to the petitioner shall be cleared.

5. Recording the submissions, this writ petition is disposed of at the admission stage, directing the respondents to verify and release the payments due and payable to the petitioner as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

6. Pending miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE HARINATH.N

20.07.2026
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Whether the order is:

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Reportable		Non-reportable	☒

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