



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

[3332]

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY SECOND DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAVI CHEEMALAPATI

WRIT PETITION NO: 10699/2026

Between:

1. PEDDIREDDY MADHAVI,, W/O.MADHUSUDHAN REDDY, AGED
52 YEARS, OCC FAIR PRICE SHOP DEALER, FP SHOP
NO.0824008, OPP LIBRARY, VETAPALEM VILLAGE,
VETAPALEM MANDAL, BAPATLA DISTRICT- 523187

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS PRINCIPAL
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FOOD, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS (CS-I) DEPARTMENT), SECRETARIAT,
VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238

2. THE JOINT COLLECTOR CIVIL SUPPLIES, BAPATLA DISTRICT-
522101

3. THE REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, CHIRALA REVENUE
DIVISION, CHIRALA TOWN AND MANDAL, BAPATLA
DISTRICT- 523155

4. THE TAHSILDAR, VETAPALEM MANDAL, BAPATLA DISTRICT-
523187

...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 to issue a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS declaring the action of respondents 2 to 4 in not releasing the essential commodities for the month of April, 2026 onwards and not continuing the petitioner as Fair Price Shop Dealer for FP Shop No.0824008, Opp Library, Vetapalem Village, Vetapalem Mandal, Bapatia District though her authorization is subsisting in form of authorization dated 16.10.2025, as illegal, irregular, irrational, violative of provisions of Andhra Pradesh State Public Distribution (Control) Order, 2008 and offends Articles 14 and 21 of Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents particularly respondents to continue the petitioner as Fair Price Shop Dealer for the above said Fair price shop by supplying essential commodities every month for distribution to cardholders

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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 2 to 4 to continue the as Fair price shop dealer for FP Shop No.0824008, Opp: Library, Vetapalem Village, Vetapalem Mandal, Bapatla District by supplying essential commodities every month for distribution to cardholders, pending disposal of main Writ Petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. NAGA PRAVEEN VANKAYALAPATI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR CIVIL SUPPLIES

The Court made the following:

ORDER:

The grievance of the petitioner is that the respondents stopped supplying essential commodities to the petitioner and not allowing her to function as Fair Price Shop Dealer of Fair Price Shop No.0824008, Opp. Library, Vetapalem Village and Mandal, Bapatla District.

2. Heard Sri Naga Praveen Vankayalapati, learned counsel for the petitioner and Sri Vineeth Appasani, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Civil Supplies.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, while reiterating the contents of the writ affidavit would contend that the authorities stopped supplying essential commodities to the Fair Price Shop of the petitioner. He would further contend that stoppage of supply of essential commodities without suspension or cancellation of the Fair Price Shop authorization is illegal and arbitrary. Accordingly, prayed to allow the writ petition.

4. Sri Vineeth Appasani, learned Assistant Government Pleader, fairly conceded that the authorities cannot stop supply of essential commodities, unless the Fair Price shop authorization of the petitioner is either suspended or cancelled and in the instant case there was neither suspension nor cancellation of the authorization and, if this Court inclines to interfere, a liberty may be given to the authorities to take steps in

accordance with law against the irregularities, if any, committed by the petitioner.

5. Perused the material available on record and considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties.

6. As rightly contended by the learned counsel for the petitioner and fairly conceded by the learned Assistant Government Pleader, there is neither suspension nor cancellation of the Fair Price shop authorization of the petitioner. In view of the same, stoppage of supply of essential commodities to the petitioner for distributing to the cardholders allocated to the Fair Price shop of the petitioner is unsustainable.

7. In view of the above, the writ petition is ***disposed of***, directing the authorities to continue to supply the essential commodities to the Fair Price shop of the petitioner. In case the respondent authorities intend to take action against the irregularities, if any, committed by the petitioner, they can take steps in accordance with law. There shall be no order as to costs.

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

JUSTICE RAVI CHEEMALAPATI

Date: 22nd April, 2026
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