

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI
(SPECIAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)**

**THURSDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**



:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAVI NATH TILHARI

AND

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE SUBHENDU SAMANTA

WRIT PETITION NO: 10993 OF 2026

Between:

Chenna Swapna, D/o. Baburao, Aged 30 years, R/o, D.No. 58-7-4,
Sanjeev Nagar, Rajahmundry (Urban), East Godavari District.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Represented by its Chief Secretariat
Secretariat Buildings, Amaravathi at Velagapudi, Guntur District 522238
2. The Principal Secretary to Government(FAC), Revenue(Excise-II)
Department, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat Buildings,
Amaravathi at Velagapudi, Guntur District. 522238
3. The Superintendent of Police, Rajamahendravaram East Godavari
District. 533101
4. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Rajamahendravaram. East
Godavari District-533101.

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 writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of Habeas Corpus under Article 226 of the constitution of India directing the 4th respondent to produce Regulla Vinod S/o. Chinna, who is now detained in Central Prison, Rajamahendravaram before this Hon'ble Court and he may be ordered to be released forthwith after declaring his detention vide orders

passed in G.O.RT.No.1668, dt. 30.12.2025, passed by the 2nd respondent which was confirmed by the orders passed in G.O.Rt.No. 266, dt. 16.02.2026 Revenue(Excise-II) Dept., as illegal and un constitutional;

The petition, coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of Sri KADIYAM NEELAKANTESWARA RAO Advocate for the Petitioner(s), THE ADVOCATE GENERAL Advocate for the Respondent Nos.1 to 4 and the Court made the following.

ORDER

Sri Akula Venkata Sai Jagadesh, learned Assistant Government Pleader appears for respondent Nos.1 to 4.

2. The order under challenge in this petition is the order of preventive detention of the husband of the petitioner.

3. On 23.04.2026, the following order was passed:

“Learned Government Pleader attached to the office of the learned Advocate General takes notice for the official respondents 1 to 4 and requests time for filing counter.

List the matter on 18.06.2026.”

4. The counter has not been filed.

5. Learned counsel for the respondent Nos.1 to 4 prays for further time to file counter affidavit. He submits that the instructions or the comments has not been received inspite of communication of the order dated 23.04.2026.

6. Almost Eight weeks have passed.

7. The matter pertains to the liberty of an individual. In such matters, the authority shall be prompt in filing the counter affidavit and within the time granted.

8. Post on 02.07.2026.

9. Before the next date of listing the counter shall be filed positively, failing which, respondent No.2 - the Principal Secretary to

Government, Revenue (Excise-II) Department shall appear before this Court.

10. In addition to the counter affidavit, respondent No.2 - the Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue (Excise-II) Department shall file his personal affidavit indicating as to why the counter was not filed within the time granted by this Court by order dated 23.04.2026.

11. Let a copy of this order be sent to the learned Advocate General and to the Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue (Excise-II) Department.

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For

SD/- K. KASIRAO ACHARI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary to Government(FAC), Revenue(Excise-II) Department, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat Buildings, Amaravathi at Velagapudi, Guntur District. 522238 (by **Special Messenger**)(FOR APPEARANCE)
2. One CC to SRI. KADIYAM NEELAKANTESWARA RAO Advocate [OPUC]
3. One CC to SRI. THE ADVOCATE GENERAL Advocate [OPUC]
4. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

**RNT,J &
SS,J**

DATED:18/06/2026

POST ON 02.07.2026

ORDER

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FOR APPEARANCE

