

**HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI**

**MAIN CASE No.W.P.No.14485 of 2026**

**PROCEEDING SHEET**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>ORDER</b>	<b>OFFICE NOTE</b>
01.	15.05.2026	<p><b><u>GTK,J</u></b></p> <p>Assailing the order passed by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Narasaraopet vide R.C.No.101/2024-G, dated 23.04.2026, the present writ petition is filed.</p> <p>Heard Mr. A.Rajendra Babu, learned counsel for the petitioner, and Mr. Tadisetti Venkata Ananda Rao, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Civil Supplies.</p> <p>The impugned order indicates that there is a prima facie case against the delinquent dealer alleging that he has contravened the provisions of law under AP State Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2018 and diverted fortified rice to an extent of 17.38 quintals, which was found short at the time of enquiry. It is further stated that, at the time of enquiry, the dealer intended to divert the said stock into the black market and thereby violated Clause 21(c) read with Clause 12(3) of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955. Consequently, pending enquiry under Clause 8 of the AP State Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2018, and also in view of the latest instructions issued by the Commissioner dated 20.03.2026, the authorization of the dealer/petitioner was</p>	(Contd...)

temporarily suspended.

It is represented by the learned counsel for the petitioner that an appeal is preferred against the order, dated 23.04.2026, and a stay petition is also accompanied with the said appeal.

Without going into the merits of the case, since a statutory appeal is provided under the Act and as it is the right of the aggrieved petitioner to file an appeal, and as the appeal is filed within time, in view of the facts and circumstances of the case, there shall be interim suspension of the order, dated 23.04.2026, and the consequential order, dated 04.05.2026, till the disposal of the Interlocutory Application in Appeal Case No.../2026-S4 filed by the dealer/petitioner.

List the matter after 'Summer Vacation-2026'.

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