

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

MONDAY, THE TWENTY NINTH DAY OF AUGUST
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY TWO

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE K MANMADHA RAO

WRIT PETITION NOS: 19384, 19386, 19387, 19390, 19392 and 19395 OF 2022

WRIT No. 19384 of 2022

Between:

K. Veera Raghava Reddy, S/o. Late Ramakrishna Reddy, Aged 56 Years, Occ.
Junior Assistant in Sri Gopala Swamy Temple, Balabadrapuram, Bicavole, East
Godavari.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Revenue (Endowments) Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Kakinada

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 an appropriate Writ order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 3rd respondent in issuing proceedings in No A6/437255/2022-2, Dt. 30-6-2022 transferring the petitioner from Sri Gopala Swamy Temples, Balabadrapuram(V), Bicavolu (M), East Godavari District, to Group Temples Vedurumudi Kapileswarapuram Mandal, Konaseema District as bad, illegal, arbitrary and violative of A.P. Charitable Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Transfer of Office Holders and Service Rules 2020, without jurisdiction, violative of principles of natural justice and violative of Articles 14, 16 and 21 of Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same only in respect of the petitioner's transfer.

I.A. 1 OF 2022

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the impugned proceedings in No A6/437255/2022-2, Dt. 30-6-2022 only in respect of the petitioner's transfer, pending disposal of W.P.No. 19384 of 2022, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and Order of the High Court dated 08-07-2022 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri D.V. SASIDHAR, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for ENDOWMENTS for the Respondents Nos. 1&2 and of Sri. G. Ramana Rao, Standing Counsel for the Respondent No.3 made the following.

WRIT PETITION NO: 19386 OF 2022

Between:

G. Krishna Rao, S/o. Rama Rao, Aged 48 years, Occ. Junior Assistant in Sri Ramanagar Rupabayamma Trust, Vijayawada, I Town, Krishna District.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Revenue (Endowments) Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Kakinada

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 an appropriate Writ order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 3rd respondent in issuing proceedings in No.437059/2022-II, dated 30-6-2022 transferring the petitioner from Sri Ramanagar Rupabayamma Trust, Vijayawada, NTR District to Group Temples, Tiruvuru, Krishna District as bad, illegal, arbitrary and violative of A.P. Charitable Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Transfer of Office Holders and Service Rules 2020, without jurisdiction, violative of principles of natural justice and violative of Articles 14, 16 & 21 of Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same only in respect of the petitioners transfer.

IA NO: 1 OF 2022

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the impugned proceedings in No.437059/2022-II dated 30-6-2022 in respect of the petitioner's transfer, pending disposal of W.P.No.19386 of 2022, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and Order of the High Court dated 08-07-2022 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri D.V. SASIDHAR, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for ENDOWMENTS for the Respondents Nos. 1&2 and of Sri. G. Ramana Rao, Standing Counsel for the Respondent No.3 made the following.

WRIT PETITION NO: 19387 OF 2022

Between:

M Hariya Naik, S/o. Ramulu, Aged 51 years, Occ. Senior Assistant in Sri Brahmaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy Varla Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Revenue (Endowments) Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada.

3. Sri Brahmaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy Varla Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District, Rep. by its Executive Officer

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 an appropriate Writ order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 2nd respondent in issuing proceedings in Rc.No.C1/13021/1/2022-1, dated 30-6-2022 transferring the petitioner from Sri Brahmaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy Varla Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District to Sri Varasiddi Vinayaka Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Kanipakkam, Chittoor District and subsequent proceedings of the 3rd respondent in Rc. No.A1/3425-18/2022 dated 1-7-2022 as bad, illegal, arbitrary and violative of A.P. Charitable Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Transfer of Office Holders and Service Rules 2020, without jurisdiction, violative of principles of natural justice, violative of Articles 14, 16 & 21 of Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same only in respect of the petitioner's transfer.

IA NO: 1 OF 2022

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the impugned proceedings in Rc. No.C1/13021/1/2022-1, dated 30-6-2022 and subsequent proceedings of the 3rd respondent in Rc. No.A1/3425-18/2022, dated 1-7-2022 only in respect of the petitioner's transfer, pending disposal of W.P.No.19387 of 2022, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and Order of the High Court dated 08-07-2022 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri D.V. SASIDHAR, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for ENDOWMENTS for the Respondents Nos. 1&2 and of Sri. G. Ramana Rao, Standing Counsel for the Respondent No.3 made the following.

WRIT PETITION NO: 19390 OF 2022

Between:

G Ravi, S/o. Late Rosaiah, Aged 49 years, Occ. Senior Assistant, Sri Brahmarambha Mallikarjuna Swamy Temple, Srisailam, Kurnool District.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Revenue (Endowments) Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada.
3. Sri Brahmaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy Varla Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District, Rep. by its Executive Officer

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 an appropriate Writ order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of

Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 2nd respondent in issuing proceedings in Rc. No.C1/13021/ 1/2022-1, dated 30-6-2022 transferring the petitioner from Sri Brahmaramba Mallikarjuna Swamy Varla Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District to Sri Varasiddi Vinayaka Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Kanipakkam, Chittoor District and subsequent proceedings of the 3rd respondent in Rc. No.A1/3425-18/2022 dated 1-7-2022 as bad, illegal, arbitrary and violative of A.P. Charitable Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Transfer of Office Holders and Service Rules 2020, without jurisdiction, violative of principles of natural justice, violative of Articles 14, 16 & 21 of Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same only in respect of the petitioner's transfer.

IA NO: 1 OF 2022

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the impugned proceedings in Rc. No.C1/13021/1/2022-1 dated 30-6-2022 and subsequent proceedings of the 3rd respondent in Rc. No.A1/3425-18/2022 dated 1-7-2022 only in respect of the petitioner's transfer, pending disposal of W.P.No.19390 of 2022, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and Order of the High Court dated 08-07-2022 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri D.V. SASIDHAR, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for ENDOWMENTS for the Respondents Nos. 1&2 and of Sri. G. Ramana Rao, Standing Counsel for the Respondent No.3, the court made the following:-

WRIT PETITION NO: 19392 OF 2022

Between:

T. Rambabu, S/o. Late Venkata Appa Rao, Aged 58 Years, Occ. Junior Assistant in Sri Dinavahi Vari Choultry, Vijayawada, NTR District.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Revenue (Endowments) Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Kakinada

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 an appropriate Writ, order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 3rd respondent in issuing proceedings in No.437059/2022-11, Dt.30-6-2022 transferring the petitioner from Sri Dinavahi Vari Choultry, Vijayawada, NTR District to Group Temples, Damuluru, Mogallu, Nandigama & Kanchikacherla, Krishna District as bad, illegal, arbitrary and violative of A.P. Charitable Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Transfer of Office Holders and Service Rules 2020, without jurisdiction, violative of principles of natural justice and violative of Articles 14, 16 & 21 of Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same only in respect of the petitioner's transfer.

IA NO: 1 OF 2022

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the impugned proceedings in No.437059/2022-II, Dt.30-6-2022 only in respect of the petitioner's transfer, pending disposal of W.P.No.19392 of 2022, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and Order of the High Court dated 08-07-2022 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri D.V. SASIDHAR, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for ENDOWMENTS for the Respondents made the following.

WRIT PETITION NO: 19395 OF 2022

Between:

M Ramesh, S/o. Satyanarayana, Aged 46 years, Occ. Junior Assistant in Sri Saladi Vari Choultry, Palakole Town and Mandal, West Godavari District.

Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Revenue (Endowments) Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District.
2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Gollapudi, Vijayawada.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Kakinada

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 an appropriate Writ, order or direction more particularly, one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 3rd respondent in issuing proceedings in No.B1/437578(2)/WG/2022, dated 30-6-2022 transferring the petitioner from Sri Saladi Vari Choultry, Palakole Town and Mandal to Sri Durga Lakshmaneswara Swamy Temple, Lakshmaneswaram Village, Narasapur Mandal, West Godavari District as bad, illegal, arbitrary and violative of A.P. Charitable Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Transfer of Office Holders and Service Rules 2020, without jurisdiction, violative of principles of natural justice and violative of Articles 14, 16 and 21 of Constitution of India and consequently set aside the same only in respect of the petitioner's transfer.

IA NO: 1 OF 2022

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the operation of the impugned proceedings in No.B1/437578(2)/WG/2022, dated 30.06.2022 only in respect of the petitioner's transfer, pending disposal of WP No. 19395 of 2022, on the file of the High Court.

The petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and Order of the High Court dated 08-07-2022, 05.08.2022 & 22.08.2022 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri D.V. SASIDHAR,

Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for ENDOWMENTS for the Respondents, the court made the following:-

COMMON ORDER:

Counter affidavit filed by the respondents.

At request of both the counsel, post on 22.10.2022.

Interim Order granted earlier is extended till then.

**Sd/- K. J. RAJA BABU
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

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To,

1. One CC to SRI.D.V.SASIDHAR Advocate [OPUC]
2. Two CCs to GP for Endowments, High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
3. Two CCs to Sri. G. Ramana Rao, Standing Counse High Court of Andhra Pradeshl (OUT)
4. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

Dr.KMR J

DATED:29/08/2022

NOTE: Post on 22.10.2022.

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INTERIM ORDER GRANTED EARLIER EXTENDED

