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

TUESDAY, THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY 2026

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE TARLADA RAJASEKHAR RAO  
WRIT PETITION NO: 17232 OF 2026



Between:

Karedla Suryanarayana, S/o Surayya, aged about 75 years, R/o  
H.No.3-75-4 Mamidivada Village, Rambilli Mandal, Anakapalli District.

**Petitioner**

**AND**

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Endowments Department, Secretariat Building, Velagapudi Guntur District-522241, Rep. by its Principal Secretary.
2. The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Govt, of A.P., Vijayawada.520001
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Anakapalli District.531001.
4. The Assistant Commissioner, Endowments Department, Anakapalli District. 531001.
5. The District Endowment Officer, Anakapalli District. 531001.

**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 a writ, order or a direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent declaring the property situated in Sy.No.230/2 to an extent of Ac.1.44 & Sy.No.230/3 to an extent of Ac.0.01 cents of Mamidivada Village, Rambilli Mandal, Anakapalli District is endowment property and further observed that there can be no permanent lease over temple immovable properties under the provisions of

Act 30 of 1987 through Letter Dis.No.18023(32)/3/2026, dated 25.02.2026 and consequential interference of peaceful possession and enjoyment of the petitioner over the above property by the respondent Nos.3 to 5, by erecting a board in the subject land as the subject land belongs to endowments department is highly illegal, arbitrary, unconstitutional, violation of Articles 14 and 300-A of the Constitution of India, apart from violation of provisions of the Endowments Act 30 of 1987 and consequently direct the respondents No.2 to 5 not to interfere with the peaceful possession and enjoyment of the petitioner over the property situated in Sy.No.230/2 to an extent of Ac.1.44 & Sy.No.230/3 to an extent of Ac.0.01 cents of Mamidivada Village, Rambilli Mandal, Anakapalli District, by removing the board erected in the said land.

**IA NO: 1 OF 2026**

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the respondent Nos. 2 to 5 not to interfere with the peaceful possession and enjoyment of the petitioner over the property situated in Sy.No.230/2 to an extent of Ac. 1.44 & Sy.No.230/3 to an extent of Ac.0.01 cents of Mamidivada Village, Rambilli Mandal, Anakapalli District, by directing the respondents No.2 to 5 removing the board erected in the subject land, Pending disposal of WP 17232 of 2026, 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 upon hearing the arguments of SRI V V N NARAYANA RAO, Advocate for the Petitioner, learned GP FOR ENDOWMENTS for the Respondent Nos.1 to 5, the Court made the following ORDER:

It is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the property was leased by the original owner to perform Dhupa-Deepa Naivedyam to Lord Sri Rama and the petitioner is performing the same. However, the respondents are interfering with the possession of the

property without there being any registration under Section 43 of the Endowments Act.

Despite granting time to the respondents, they are unable to secure instructions.

Hence, there shall be a direction to the respondents to maintain status quo existing as on today for a period of four (4) weeks.

List the case on 11.08.2026 to secure instructions.

SD/- S.SHYAMALA  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR  
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