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

THURSDAY, THE 23RD DAY OF JULY 2026

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 18232 OF 2026

Between:

M/s. Andhra Paper Limited, Rep. by its Executive Director, Mukesh Jain,
S/o. Nemi Chand Jain, aged about 58 years, Sri Ram Nagar,
Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari District

.... Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary,
Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department, A.P. Secretariat at
Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District - 522238
2. The District Collector, East Godavari District, Rajamahendravaram -
533103
3. The Katheru Gram Panchayat, Rep. by its Secretary / Panchayat
Development Officer, Katheru, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari
District - 533105

.... Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is filed, 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 mostly one which is in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the 3rd Respondent in issuing Show Cause Notice, dt.28.5.2026 and four Destrainment Warrants, dt.22.6.2026 pertaining to House Tax Assessment Nos.3822 (D.No.122-8-1) and 3823 (D.No.122- 8-2) situated in R.S.No.99-1 of Katheru Village, East Godavari District during the pendency of O.S.No.40/2023, O.S.No.41/2023, O.S.No.52/2023, O.S.No.53/2023, O.S.No.54/2023,

O.S.No.55/2023, O.S.No.56/2023, O.S.No.60/2022 and O.S.No.67/2024 before the Principal District Judge, Rajamahendravaram pertaining to the same Assessment Numbers as ultra vires, unjust, arbitrary, illegal and in violation of Section 60 and 61 of A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and Rules 25(4) and 26 of G.O.Ms.No.30 Panchayat Raj and Rural Development (PTS.III), dt.30.3.1995 and consequently set aside the same.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed, 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 not to take coercive steps against the Petitioner in furtherance of Show Cause Notice, dt.28.5.2026 and four Destraint Warrants, dt.22.6.2026 pertaining to House Tax Assessment Nos.3822 (D.No.122-8-1) and 3823 (D.No.122- 8-2) situated in R.S.No.99-1 of Katheru Village, East Godavari District till the disposal of the Civil Suits pending before the Principal District Judge, Rajamahendravaram with respect to these Assessment Numbers, pending disposal of WP 18232 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 VARREY VENKATA NAGA VISHNU TEJA, Advocate for the Petitioner, GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV for the Respondent No.1, GP FOR REVENUE for Respondent No.2, Sri Y.Koteswara Rao, Standing Counsel for respondent No.3, the Court made the following.

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj and Rural Development.

A perusal of the written instructions submitted by the Panchayat Development Officer Grade-1, Gram Panchayat, Katheru, Rajamahendravaram Rural Mandal, shows that the version of the petitioner is not true, since both the Nursery and the Yard are covered with a compound wall on three sides and the fourth side is covered with a 120 meter compound wall covered with cement poles with iron wire. However, in the field, the cement poles are not visible due to bushes. Hence, both the Nursery and the Yard are in secured premises.

There is a dispute with regard to the existence of compound wall at the site.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner has vehemently contended that there is no compound wall securing the premises.

In view of the said reason, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents is directed to submit a joint survey map before this Court by 03.08.2026. Till such time, the respondent authorities are directed not to take any coercive steps against the petitioner.

Post on 03.08.2026.

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SD/- U.SRIDEVI
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department, State of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat at Velagapudi, Amaravati, Guntur District - 522238
2. The District Collector, East Godavari District, Rajamahendravaram - 533103

3. The Secretary / Panchayat Development Officer, Katheru Gram Panchayat, Katheru, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari District - 533105 (1 to 3 by RPAD)
4. One CC to SRI. VARREY VENKATA NAGA VISHNU TEJA Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
6. One spare copy

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HIGH COURT

SRK, J

DATED:23/07/2026

Post on 03.08.2026.

ORDER

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DIRECTION

