

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

**FRIDAY, THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF APRIL,
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

:PRESENT:

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE R RAGHUNANDAN RAO
AND**

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SURESH REDDY
CONTEMPT CASE NO: 1794 OF 2021**



Between:

N.Ramakrishna, S/o Peddaganganna, Aged 57 years, Occ: Cultivation, R/o Gollapalle Village, Jarravaripalle Post, Vayalpadu Mandal, Chittoor District.

...Petitioner/Writ Petitioner

AND

1. Mr. Harinarayanan, IAS, S/o Not known, Aged about 49 yrs, Occ: District Collector, Chittoor, Chittoor District
2. Sri N.Pamileti, Tahsildar (FAC), Valmikipuram Mandal.
(R2 is impleaded as per Court Order, dated 19.10.2024 in CC.No.1794 of 2021)
3. Sri Nishanth Kumar, District Collector, Annamayya District.
(R 3 is impleaded as Suo moto as per court order dated 31.01.2026 in CC No-1794 of 2021)

...Contemnors

WHEREAS the Petitioner has presented under Sections 10 to 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act 1971, above case through his counsel Sri Nagaraja T, praying that this Hon'ble High Court may be pleased to punish the respondents herein for flouting and willful disobedience of the orders in W.P.(PIL) No.251 of 2020, dated 14.10.2019;

WHEREAS the said case coming on for orders as to admission on this day and whereas the High Court, upon perusing the affidavit filed therein and the earlier order of the High Court dated 31.01.2026 made herein and upon

hearing the arguments of Sri Nagaraja T, Advocate for the Petitioner and of Sri P.Subash, Advocate for Respondent No.1 and of Sri J.Dileep Kumar, Advocate for the Respondent No.2 and of Smt. Sushma Yaganti, Advocate for Respondent No.3, the Court made the following

ORDER:

“This Court, by an Order, dated 21.10.2020 had directed the District Collector, Chittoor, to pass orders on the representation of the villagers who had claimed that endowment land belonging to Sri Pattabhirmaswamy Temple situated in Vayalpadu Grampanchayat and Mandal, Chittoor District was encroached and no steps were taken to protect the said land.

2. Though the direction of this Court was to dispose of the said representation within a period of two months, no steps were taken. Aggrieved by the said inaction of the authorities, the present Contempt Case came to be filed by the petitioner. As the Chittoor District had been reorganized and the area in question fell within Annamayya District, the 3rd respondent, who is the incumbent District Collector, Annamayya District was impleaded as the 3rd respondent.

3. As the counter affidavit was not filed, this Court on 20.02.2026 had directed that the 3rd respondent should file the counter affidavit by the next date of hearing, failing which he would have to personally present before this Court. On such direction, the 3rd respondent has now filed a counter affidavit, dated 12.03.2026.

4. In this counter affidavit, the 3rd respondent submits that there were certain discrepancies between the Inam fair register and the RSR record, due to which he was unable to move forward. The 3rd respondent would also state that on account of this discrepancy, letters were being addressed to the Government in the year 2021 for clarification as to which record should be followed. Apart from this, the 3rd respondent would also state that the RSR records show that the tax was being imposed on the lands in question, due to which there is a possibility that

the land is not endowment land. The 3rd respondent, finally states that the clarifications are needed to obtain from the Government before the order of this Court, dated 21.10.2010, can be complied.

5. We are not satisfied with the reasons given in the said counter affidavit. It is clear that there is a deliberate disobedience of the orders of this Court. In the circumstances, the 3rd respondent shall be personally present before this Court on the next date of hearing.

6. Post on 24.04.2026."

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SD/-SK MD RAFI
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. Sri Nishanth Kumar, District Collector, Annamayya District. (by **SPEED POST**)
2. One CC to Sri Nagaraja T, Advocate [OPUC]
3. One CC to Sri J.Dileep Kumar, Advocate [OPUC]
4. One CC to Sri P.Subash, Advocate [OPUC]
5. One CC to Smt. Sushma Yaganti, Advocate [OPUC]
6. Two Spare Copies.

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HIGH COURT

RRR,J

&

KSR,J

DATE:17/04/2026

POST ON 24.04.2026

ORDER

CC.No.1794 of 2021

APPEARANCE

