



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

[3327]

MONDAY, THE 29th DAY OF JUNE 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 22677/2025

Between:

1. PENIKALAPATI DHANUNJAYA NAIDU, S/O. HANUMANTHU AGED ABOUT 53 YEARS, OCC CONTRACTOR, R/O. H. NO. 6-60, BALAPURAM VILLAGE, PUTLUR MANDAL, ANANTHAPUR DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, REP. BY PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, RURAL WATER SUPPLY SANITATION DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI.

2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, FINANCE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI.

3. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS S SUBT DIVISION, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT.

4. THE DY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS S SUB DIVISION, KALYANDURG, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 respondents in not releasing the admitted aggregate of two final bill amounts of Rs.20,70,261/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Two Hundred and

Sixty one only) for the works i.e. Extension of pipeline from Akkannapalli village to sump at Gannevaripalli colony under Grama Sachivalayam-3 Gannevaripalli Grama Panchayat of Tadipatri Mandal, Ananthapuramu District for an amount of Rs. 18,15,844/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Fifteen thousand Eight hundred and Forty four only) under the scheme Gadapa Gadapaku Mana Prabhutvam GGMP grant 2022-23 and providing new pipeline in the village Peddapappur(Ramayya Hotel to lingamaiah house) of Peddapappur Mandal, Ananthapuramu District for an amount of Rs. 2,54,417/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Fifty Four thousand Four hundred and Seveenteen only) executed by the petitionerfirm is illegal, arbitrary and unreasonable and violation of article 14,19 21 of Constitution of India, consequently direct the respondent to pay the net amount of Rs.20,70,261/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty one only) with interest and consequential reliefs and to pass

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the 1 to 4 Respondents to release the funds for an amount of Rs.20,70,261/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty one only) into the petitioner account pending disposal of the above writ petition and to pass s

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.DASARI S V V S V PRASAD

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR IRRI AND CAD

2.GP FOR FINANCE PLANNING

The Court made the following:

ORDER:-

This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the following prayer:

“...to issue an appropriate Writ, Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in not releasing the admitted aggregate of two final bill amounts of Rs.20,70,261/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty one only) for the works i.e. Extension of pipeline from Akkannapalli village to sump at Gannevaripalli colony under Grama Sachivalayam-3 Gannevaripalli Grama Panchayat of Tadipatri Mandal, Ananthapuramu District for an amount of Rs. 18,15,844/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Fifteen thousand Eight hundred and Forty four only) under the scheme Gadapa Gadapaku Mana Prabhutvam GGMP grant 2022-23 and providing new pipeline in the village Peddapappur (Ramayya Hotel to lingamaiah house) of Peddapappur Mandal, Ananthapuramu District for an amount of Rs. 2,54,417/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Fifty Four thousand Four hundred and Seveenteen only) executed by the petitioner firm is illegal, arbitrary and unreasonable and violation of article 14,19 21 of Constitution of India, consequently direct the respondent to pay the net amount of Rs.20,70,261/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty one only) with interest and consequential reliefs and to pass...”

2. The petitioner is a Contractor. He participated in the tender process and was awarded the following works: i) Extension of Pipeline from Akkannapalli Village to Sump at Gannevaripalli Colony under Grama Sachivalayam-3, Gannevaripalli Grama Panchayat of Tadipatri Mandal, under GGMP (2023-24), with an estimated cost of Rs.20.00 lakhs; and ii) Providing new Pipeline in the Village Peddapappur (Ramayya Hotel to Lingamaiah House) of

Peddapappur Mandal, under GGMP (2022-23), with an estimated cost of Rs.2.80 lakhs. As per the terms of agreement, the petitioner completed the works within the specified period. Although the respondents approved the work completion reports, they failed to process the admitted aggregate amount of two final bills, totaling Rs.20,70,261/- (Rs.18,15,844/- + Rs.2,54,417/-). Aggrieved by the failure of the respondents to release the said amount, the petitioner has filed the present Writ Petition.

3. Heard. Perused the record.

4. Learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, on written instructions, submits that the petitioner has completed the entrusted works, which were duly accorded administrative sanction. She further submits that the total value of the works executed is Rs.19,85,842/- and Rs.2,78,236/- respectively and that after statutory recoveries, the balance amounts payable to the petitioner are Rs.18,15,842/- and Rs.2,54,417/- respectively. She further states that the CFMS is presently not accepting the bills for uploading stating "Regulation of Expenditure". She further states that once the CFMS accepts the bills for uploading, the two bills of the petitioner will be uploaded for payment. The written instructions are placed on record.

5. Having regard to the fact that there is no dispute with regard to the execution of the works by the petitioner and the amount payable to him, and in view of the submissions made by the learned Assistant Government Pleader

for Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, the respondent authorities are directed to pay an amount of Rs.20,70,261/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Seventy Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty-One only) (Rs.18,15,844/- + Rs.2,54,417/-) to the petitioner, within a period of three (3) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel thereto, the miscellaneous applications, if any, pending in the Writ Petition shall stand closed.

JUSTICE K.SREENIVASA REDDY

Date: 29.06.2026

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HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K.SREENIVASA REDDY

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