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

[3327]

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY FOURTH DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 25254/2025

Between:

1. PALETI NARESH CHOWDARY, S/O P.VENU GOPAL, AGED ABOUT
42 YEARS R/O FLAT NO. B 1408, RAJAPUSHPA REGALIA,
KOKAPET, HYDERABAD

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF PANCHAYATH RAJ,
AT SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR
DISTRICT

2. THE DISTRICT PANCHAYATH OFFICER, ANANTHAPURAMU DIST
AT ANANTHAPURAMU

3. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, URAVAKONDA GRAM PANCHAYATH,
ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT

4. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT AT
ANANTHAPURAMU

5. THE TAHSILDAR, URAVAKONDA MANDAL, ANANTHAPURAMU
DISTRICT

6. THE STATION HOUSE OFFICER, P.S. URAVAKONDA (URBAN),

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 a Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ Or Writs, Order or Direction, declaring the action of Respondents in seeking to lay road through the petitioner's land admeasuring Ac.0.25 cents in Sy No. 453-M of Uravakonda Village and Mandal, Ananthapuramu District, as illegal, arbitrary, without jurisdiction, violative of Art. 14, 21 AND 300-A of Constitution of India and violative of principles of natural justice and to consequently direct the Respondents not to interfere with the possession and enjoyment of the petitioner over the above property and not to lay road in the above land and pass

IA NO: 1 OF 2025

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 issue 10 interim directions to the Respondents not to lay the road and not to interfere with the property of the petitioner admeasuring Ac. 0.25 cents in Sy No. 453-M of Uravakonda Village and Mandal, Ananthapuramu District, pending disposal of W P No. of 2025 and pass

IA NO: 2 OF 2025

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 may be pleased to direct the Respondents herein to forthwith restore the property of the petitioner i.e. land admeasuring Ac. 0.25 cents in Sy No. 453-M of Uravakonda Village and Mandal, Ananthapuramu District, to its original condition as it existed as on the date of status quo order passed by this Hon'ble Court on 17.9.2025 in I A No. 1 of 2025 in WP No. 25254 of 2025, in the interests of justice.

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 may be pleased to grant leave to the Petitioner/ respondent No.3 to file the counter affidavit and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.N RANGA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ RURAL DEV

2.GP FOR HOME

3.GP FOR REVENUE

4.Mattegunta.Sudhir,Standing Counsel For Z.P.Ps,M.P.Ps,Gram
Panchayats

The Court made the following:

ORDER

The present Writ Petition is filed seeking the following relief:-

“...to issue a Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ or Writs, Order or Direction, declaring the action of Respondents in seeking to lay road through the petitioner's land admeasuring Ac.0.25 cents in Sy No. 453-M of Uravakonda Village and Mandal, Ananthapuramu District, as illegal, arbitrary, without jurisdiction, violative of Articles 14, 21 and 300-A of Constitution of India and violative of principles of natural justice and to consequently direct the Respondents not to interfere with the possession and enjoyment of the petitioner over the above property and not to lay road in the above land and pass such other order”.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj and Rural Development and the learned Standing Counsel for Gram Panchayat.

3. The case of the petitioner, in brief, is that he is the owner and possessor of land admeasuring Ac.0.25 cents in Survey No.453-M of Uravakonda Village and Mandal, Ananthapuramu District. Originally, the said property belonged to the petitioner's great-grandfather, Ramappa, who purchased it *vide* Document No.52/1946, dated 11.01.1946. Thereafter, the property devolved upon the petitioner by virtue of a registered Will Deed dated 26.09.1988, bearing Document No.29/1988, and the petitioner has been in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the said property. While the matter stood thus, Respondent No.3, allegedly for extraneous considerations, came to the petitioner's land on 13.09.2025 and dumped cement bags and other construction material with a view to laying a road through the petitioner's property. It is further averred that certain local political leaders exerted pressure on Respondent Nos.3 and 6 to proceed with the laying of the road through the land belonging to the petitioner.

4. Respondent No.3 filed a counter-affidavit denying the allegations made in the writ affidavit. It is categorically stated therein that the Gram Panchayat has never attempted to lay a road through the petitioner's land. According to

the respondents, it was the petitioner's neighbours, who laid a pathway for their own ingress and egress. It is further stated that the Gram Panchayat has never interfered with the petitioner's land at any point of time.

5. A perusal of the counter affidavit reveals that the Gram Panchayat has categorically asserted that it has neither evinced any interest in laying a road through the subject land nor attempted to interfere with the same at any point of time. The petitioner filed I.A. No.2 of 2025 seeking a direction to the respondents to forthwith restore possession of the petitioner's land admeasuring Ac.0.25 cents in Survey No.453-M of Uravakonda Village and Mandal, Ananthapuramu District. Once the respondents have specifically asserted in their counter affidavit that the authorities have neither attempted to lay a road in, nor interfered with, the petitioner's property, the question of issuing a direction to the respondents to restore the property to the petitioner does not arise. However, it is always open to the petitioner to avail such other remedies as may be available to him in accordance with law. 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 this Writ Petition, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

Date: 24.06.2026.

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Whether the order is:

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Reportable		Non-reportable	☒

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

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