

HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH : AT AMARAVATI

MAIN CASE No.: Writ Petition No.26109 of 2025

PROCEEDING SHEET

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1)	24.09.2025	<p><u>SRK, J</u></p> <p>The Writ Petition is filed seeking to declare the action of respondents 3 and 4 in interfering with the prawn culture activity of the petitioners in their lands to an extent of Ac.3-00 cents in Sy.Nos.334/4, 335/2, Ac.1-94 cents in Sy.Nos.334/3, 334/2, Ac.0.71 cents in Sy.No.333/2a, Ac.1.20 cents in Sy.No.333/3 and Ac.1.70cents in Sy.No.334/4, situated at Gangavaram village, Pamarru Mandal, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Konaseema district, in spite of petitioners explanation dated 16.08.2025 to the show cause notice dated 11.08.2025 of 4th respondent, as illegal and arbitrary and consequently to direct respondents 3 and 4 not to interfere with petitioners prawn culture activity in their fish tanks.</p> <p>Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that 4th respondent issued a show cause notice dated 11.08.2025 stating that they inspected the petitioners lands and found that out of Ac.9-00, 9 ponds are being cultivated for aqua farming and the petitioners obtained permission from the</p>	

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		<p>Government for only Ac.3.74 cents and the remaining Ac.5.24 cents are being cultivated without authorization. To the said show cause notice, the petitioners submitted their explanation, but till date no orders have been passed thereon.</p> <p>On the other hand, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Fisheries, on written instructions, submitted that Fisheries Department granted license to the petitioners for doing fresh water aquaculture in an extent of Ac.3.74 cents only, but the petitioners are doing unauthorized L. Vannamei shrimp culture in the aqua tanks. He further submitted that 4th petitioner (Lessee) submitted a statement that he would do the culture by abiding to the rules and conditions of the Government and also stated that he would take all the steps not to cause detriment to the neighbouring paddy farmers, but as he is doing Vannamai shrimp culture, show cause notice was issued.</p> <p>A perusal of the material on record goes to show that the petitioners converted their lands into fish tanks about seven years back and petitioners 2 to 5 made applications for grant of license for doing fresh water aqua culture and the said applications are pending before the competent authority. The contention of the petitioners is that</p>	

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		<p>though they submitted their explanation to the show cause notice dated 11.08.2025, so far no orders have been passed by the respondents thereon. It is pertinent to mention here that huge expenditure has been incurred by the petitioners in developing the ponds and for doing aqua farming.</p> <p>In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the respondents are directed not to take any coercive steps against the petitioners' fish tanks for a period of four (4) weeks.</p> <p>List the matter after three (3) weeks.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>SRK, J</u></p> <p>Nsr</p>	

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