

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

**TUESDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF JANUARY,
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAVI NATH TILHARI

AND

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE MAHESWARA RAO KUNCHEAM

WRIT PETITION NO: 26384 OF 2025

Between:

Bukka Rajendra Prasad, S/o Late Satyam, Aged 43 years, R/o House No. 14-68, Sundruputtu, Paderu Mandal, Alluri Sitarama Raju District (erstwhile Visakapatnam District).

...Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, rep by its Principal Secretary, Industries and Commerce (Mines) Department, Secretariat, Vellagapudi, Guntur District.
2. The State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Andhra Pradesh, D.No. 33-26-14 D/2, Near Sunrise Hospital, Pushpa Hotel Centre, Chalamavari Street, Kasturibaipet, Vijayawada- 520010, rep by its Member Secretary.
3. The Director Mines and Geology, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada.
4. The District Collector, Alluri Sitarama Raju District, Paderu. (erstwhile Viskapatnam District).
5. The Environmental Engineer, A.P.Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, D.No.8-30-19, Sai Nagar, Thotapalem, Vizianagaram.
6. The Assistant Director of Mines and Geology, Alluri Sitaramaraju District, Paderu. (erstwhile Visakapatnam District).

...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 a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus declaring the inaction of the Respondent authorities in completing the statutory clearances subsequent to the issuance of a Letter of Intent (LOI) vide "Notice No.28792/R1-3/2017 dated 21.12.2017" like Conducting of a Public Hearing, issuance of Environmental Clearance, CFE, CFO and Work Order as arbitrary, illegal, violative of the provisions of APMMC Rules, 1966, violative of principles of natural justice and violative of Article 19 (1) (g) of the Constitution of India and to consequently direct the Respondent authorities to complete the statutory clearances like Conducting of a Public Hearing, issuance of Environmental Clearance, CFE, CFO and Work Order;

IA NO: 1 OF 2025:

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondents authorities to grant extension of time as per law for the submission of all the statutory clearances as per the LOI by considering the Petitioner's representation dated 17.07.2025, pending disposal of WP.No.26384 of 2025, on the file of the High Court.

IA NO: 2 OF 2025:

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the to conduct the statutory Public Hearing for the Petitioner's Project as per the TORs issued by SEIAA, forthwith, pending disposal of WP.No.26384 of 2025, 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 G.Sai Narayana Rao, Advocate for the Petitioner and GP for Mines and Geology for the Respondent Nos.1, 3, 4 & 6 and Sri Y.Soma Raju, Advocate for the Respondent Nos.2 & 5, the Court made the following;

ORDER:

By order dated 15.12.2025, *inter alia*, the District Collector, Vizianagaram, was directed to file fresh affidavit intimating the progress.

2. As per the office report, the said affidavit has not been filed.
3. Ms.P.Usha, learned counsel, submits that the learned Government Pleader for Revenue is unwell and prays for a week time.
4. Post on 27.01.2026.
5. The District Collector, Vizianagaram, shall file fresh affidavit intimating the progress, by the next date of hearing.

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SD/-U.SRI DEVI
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The District Collector, Vizianagaram, Vizianagaram District. (by **Speed Post**)
2. One CC to Sri. G.Sai Narayana Rao, Advocate [OPUC]
3. Two CCs to GP for Mines and Geology, High Court of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
4. One CC to Sri Y.Soma Raju, Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to GP for Revenue, High Court of AP [OUT]
6. One CC to Ms.P.Usha, Counsel [OPUC]
7. Two spare copies

HIGH COURT

RNT,J

&

MRK,J

DATED:20/01/2026

POST ON 27.01.2026

ORDER

WP.No.26384 of 2025

DIRECTION

