

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATHI
(Original Jurisdiction)



FRIDAY, THE TWENTY SEVENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY,
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

CONTEMPT CASE NO: 2785 OF 2025

Between:

M/s.Haricons-GPR Infra (JV), Rep. by its authorised Signatory Sri Gangineni Rajesh Kumar, S/o G.Prabhakar, Aged about 25 years, Occ: Business, R/o D.No.11-1-474-1-3, Aravind Nagar Ananthapur District, Andhra Pradesh - 515 001.

...Petitioner

AND

1. K.Vijayanand, S/o Not known, Occ: Special Chief Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration & Urban Development (UH) Department, A.P Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh-522 238.
2. S.Suresh Kumar, S/o Not known, Occ: Principal Secretary to Government, Public Health and Municipal Engineering Department, A.P Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravathi, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh-522 238.
3. P.Sampath kumar, S/o Not known, Occ: The Project Director, APUFIDC, 5th Floor, Dhoom Complex, Srinivasanagar Bank Colony, Vijayawada, NTR District, Andhra Pradesh - 520 008.
4. M.Prabhakar Rao, S/o Not known, Occ: The Engineer-in-Chief, Public Health Department, Flat Nos.504 & 601, Garuda Apartments, Tadepalli, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh-522 501.
5. R.Ramamohana Reddy, S/o Not known, Occ: The Superintending Engineer, Public Health Circle, Anantapuramu, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh - 515 001.

6. B.Adinarayana, S/o Not known, Occ: The Executive Engineer, Public Health Division, Anantapuramu, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh - 515 001.
7. J.Ramana Murthy, S/o Not known, Occ: The Executive Engineer, Public Health Division, Kadapa, YSR District, Andhra Pradesh - 516 001.

...Respondents

WHEREAS the Petitioner has presented under Sections 10 to 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act 1971, the above case through its counsel Sri Ghanta Sridhar, praying the High Court to punish the respondents herein for willfully and wantonly violating the orders passed in W.P.No.6535 of 2024 dated 15.07.2025;

WHEREAS the said case coming on for hearing on this day and whereas the High Court upon perusing the affidavit filed herein and the orders of High Court dated 10.10.2025, 30.01.2026 & 20.02.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri Ghanta Sridhar, Advocate for the Petitioner and of Sri Sreekanth Reddy Ambati, Advocate for Respondent Nos. 3, 5 to 7, made the following

ORDER:

“The learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the respondents have so far not complied with the orders of this Court, whereby the respondents were required to finalize the bills due payable to the petitioner for the extent of work completed.

The learned counsel appearing for the respondent has filed a counter duly disputing the averments of the contempt case and submits that the petitioner would have to Cooperate with the respondent for arriving at a proper consensus for finalizing the bills. It is also submitted that the petitioner has to account for the material which is lying in custody of the petitioner.

On the contrary the learned senior counsel submits that the general conditions of contract mandate the petitioner to vacate the site soon after the termination order is passed. It also mandates the

petitioner to secure the site and leave the site. Having said so it is submitted that the petitioner cannot be alleged to have retained any material belonging to the respondents. That apart there is no material on record to indicate that the respondent has called upon the petitioner for accounting for any material which according to the respondent is under shortfall.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which was prepared for finalizing the bills refers to an undated ground assessment report by the Deputy Executive Engineers and that it is the part of the MOU. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the respondent that the petitioner would have to invoke the Arbitration Clause in the event the petitioners are aggrieved by any dispute arising out of the contract.

The petitioners can invoke the Arbitration Clause only when they are aggrieved by an order passed by the respondents. As on date, the respondents have not finalized the bills, and the only ground which appears to be causing hindrance for finalization of the bills is that the petitioner would have to depute a competent person, who would have to approach the Executive Engineer and Deputy Executive Engineer of the respondent organization to sort out the issues, if any, for finalizing the bills.

Considering the same, the Authorized person from the petitioner's side, the Executive Engineer and the Deputy Executive Engineer from the respondent's side shall endeavour to resolve the issue within a period of ten (10) days from today and report to this Court on 13.03.2026.

Post the matter on 13.03.2026."

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SD/- P.VINOD KUMAR
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

To,

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8. One CC to Sri Ghanta Sridhar, Advocate [OPUC]
9. One CC to Sri Sreekanth Reddy Ambati, Advocate [OPUC]
10. One spare copy.

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HIGH COURT

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DATE:27/02/2026

NOTE: POST THE MATTER ON 13.03.2026

ORDER

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DIRECTION

