

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

THURSDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF JUNE

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAVI CHEEMALAPATI

WRIT PETITION NO: 31681 OF 2025, 14063 & 27686 OF 2024

WRIT PETITION NO: 31681 OF 2025

Between:

N Anjamma, W/o. Seshaiah, aged about 60 years, Contractor, Catering Unit No. SG-1GMU055, Platform No.6, Vijayawada Railway Station, Vijayawada, NTR District.

Petitioner

AND

1. Union of India, Rep. by the Secretary, Ministry of Railways, (Railway Board) Central Secretariat, New Delhi.
2. The General Manager, South Central Railways, Rail Nilayam Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad, Telangana, 500025.
3. The Divisional Railway Manager, Divisional Railway Office, North Block, Vijayawada-520 001
4. The Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, South Central Railway Divisional Office, North Block, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh. 520001.
5. The Divisional Commercial Manager, South Central Railway Divisional Office, North Block, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh. 520001

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 pass orders, to issue writ, order or direction, more

particularly, one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the Respondents, more particularly the Respondent Nos. 4 and 5 and its authorities in interfering with the Petitioner's business and service in SG-1GMU055 in Platform No.6 of Vijayawada Railway Station even before the expiry of the license period covered by Section D Master License Agreement, dated 01-06-2020 and the Rider Agreement, dated 28-01-2022, without following a uniform policy to all the similarly situated Licensees as illegal, unconstitutional, unjust, arbitrary, unfair and violative of Articles 14, 19 and 21 of the Constitution of India, thereby direct the Respondent Nos. 4 and 5 not to initiate coercive steps against the Petitioner and the business of fruit juice bar stall run by him in SG-1GMLU055, in Platform No. 6 of Vijayawada Railway Station and also, direct the Respondents to extend the License period of the Petitioner's stall for a further period of 5 years, on the principles of natural justice, fair play and policy adopted by the Respondents in case of Chemist Shops vide Policy No. 2000/TG III/ 648/7 dated 03-11-2000, or to adopt a uniform policy to all the similarly situated Licensees including myself governed under Catering Policy 2017, mandated by the Railways.

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 petition, the High Court may be pleased to pass interim orders directing the Respondent Nos. 4 and 5 and their authorities, not to interfere and not to initiate coercive steps against the Petitioner and the business of the fruit juice bar stall run by him in SG-1GMU055 in the Platform No.6 of Vijayawada Railway Station, pending disposal of WP 31681 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 the order of the High Court dated: 13.11.2025, 17.11.2025, 05.02.2026, 19.02.2026, 07.04.2026, 07.04.2026 & 21.04.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of SRI ANEEL KUMAR DASARI Advocate for the Petitioner, and of SRI P.PONNA RAO, Standing Counsel for the Respondent Nos.1 to 5;

WRIT PETITION NO: 14063 OF 2024

Between:

Smt A Sarabeevi, 676/1, EMM Main Street, PeriaThottam, Erode - 638001,

Petitioner/s

AND

1. Union Of India, Represented by the Secretary, Ministry of Railways, (Railway Board), Central Secretariat, New Delhi -100001
2. General Manager, South Central Railways, Rail Nilayam, Secundrabad, Telangana.
3. The Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Divisional office. South Central Railway Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh

Respondents

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 pass as order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondent No 3, in not extending the relief granted by the Railway board to maintain status-quo, through the letter dated 21-5-2019, 27-8-2019, in respect of Minor Catering Units and General minor unit (GMU) in existence as on the date of 31-3-2019 and without observing that the petitioners stall was commenced on 21-06-2018, and declare the orders of the respondent no.3 dated 2-7-2024 as illegal, arbitrary, violation of principles of natural justice, violation of Articles 14, 19(1)(g) and 21 of the Constitution of India and quash the orders dated 2-7-2024, passed by the Respondent no.3 and consequently direct the Respondents to continue the Petitioner in Shop No SG1GMU053, on platform no. 10 at Vijayawada Railway station and to maintain Status-quo as directed by the Railway Board proceedings dated 21-5-2019, 27-8-2019, until further orders by the railway board and along with the platform Vender license.

IA NO: 1 OF 2024

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to stay of all further proceedings in order dated 2-7-2024, passed by the Respondent no.3 and direct to maintain status-quo as the proceedings of the Railway Board dated 21-05-2019 and permit the Petitioner to continue the business in the shop bearing No SG1GMU053, on platform no. 10 at Vijayawada Railway station along with the vendor license, Pending disposal of WP 14063 of 2024, on the file of the High Court.

IA NO: 2 OF 2024

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the respondent no.3 to restore the possession of the petitioner in shop bearing No SG1GMU053, on platform no.10 at Vijayawada Railway station, Pending disposal of WP 14063 of 2024, 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 the earlier order of the High Court dt.04.07.2024 & 21.04.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of M/s. Sridevi Jampani, Advocate for the Petitioner, Sri Jupudi V.K.YagnaDutt, Deputy Solicitor General for respondent Nos.1 to 3;

WRIT PETITION NO: 27686 OF 2024

Between:

ShahidaMemon, W/o Khaleed, aged, about 74 years, Tea Stall (SG1GMU048), Platform Nos., 4 and 5 Railway Station, Vijayawada 520003.

...Petitioner

AND

1. Union of India, through its Secretary Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi 110002.
2. South Central Railway, rep., by its General Manger, Rail Bhavan, Secundrabad.
3. The Senior Divisional Commercial Manger, Divisional Office Commercial Branch, Vijayawada 520003.

...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 an appropriate writ, order or direction particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus directing the Respondents to extend the period of license of the Petitioner in respect of General Minor Unit/GMU No SG1GMU048 Tea Stall at Platform Nos., 4 and 5 of Vijayawada Railway Station for another term, declaring the proceedings No.B/C.79/Catg./TS/SG1GMU048/BZA/PF 4&5 Dt 25.11.2024 as violative of Article 14, 19(1)(g) and 21 of the Constitution of India besides being discriminative.

IA NO: 1 OF 2024

Petition under Section 151 of CPC is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the Respondent Nos., 2 and 3 not to interfere with the Petitioner's General Minor Unit/GMU No: SG1GMU048 Tea Stall at Platform Nos., 4 and 5 of Vijayawada Railway Station suspending No.B/C.79/Catg./TS/SG1GMU048 /BZA/PF 4&5 Dt: 25.11.2024, pending disposal of WP 27686 of 2024, 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 the earlier Orders of the High Court dt.27.11.2024, 18.12.2024, 24.01.2025, 04.02.2025, 11.02.2025 & 21.04.2026 made herein and upon hearing the arguments of Sri Karumanchi Indraneel

Babu, Advocate for the Petitioner and of Sri Pasala PonnaRao, Deputy Solicitor General of India for Respondents and the Court made the following

ORDER:

Learned Central Government Counsel sought time for filing counter affidavits.

Post on 16.07.2026.

Interim order granted earlier is extended for a further period of eight (08) weeks.

SD/-V.ASHOK

ASSITANT REGISTRAR

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To,

- 1) One CC to SRI. ANIL KUMAR DASARI, Advocate [OPUC]
- 2) One CC to SRI P.PONNA RAO, Standing Counsel [OPUC]
- 3) One CC to SRI G. ARUN SHOWRI, Standing Counsel [OPUC]
- 4) One CC to SRI. SRIDEVI JAMPANI Advocate [OPUC]
- 5) One CC to Sri Jupudi V.K. YagnaDutt, Deputy Solicitor General of India [OPUC]
- 6) One CC to SRI KARUMANCHI INDRANEEL BABU, Advocate [OPUC]
- 7) **One spare copy**

HIGH COURT

RC,J

DATED: 18.06.2026

Post on 16.07.2026

ORDER

WP.No.31681 of 2025

INTERIM ORDER EXTENDED

