

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL APPEAL NOS. 6531-6532 OF 2012

M/S. PIONEER BUILDERS

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH & ORS.

Respondent(s)

WITH

CIVIL APPEAL NOS. 6533-6534 OF 2012

WITH

CIVIL APPEAL NO. 1005 OF 2000

WITH

CIVIL APPEAL NO. 1006 OF 2000

O R D E R

1. These appeals arise out of the Judgment(s) and Order(s) dated 20.09.2007 and 03.03.1999 passed by the High Court of Andhra Pradesh at Hyderabad.
2. By order dated 05.02.2020, this Court appointed Hon'ble Mr. Justice P.V.Reddi, former Judge of this Court, to initiate conciliation and resolve the disputes between the parties.
3. The Minutes of Meeting of the Conciliation Committee dated 31.05.2023 clearly evidences a settlement between the parties. The relevant portion of the Settlement is reproduced as under :-

"Accordingly, the Conciliation Committee meeting is held on 31.05.2023 and the probable settlement amount was discussed at length and the committee

opined that there is no ambiguity for acceptance of payment of Rs. 4.30 Crores to the agency and proposed 10% simple interest from date of award of mediation i.e. 09-09-2021 up to 31-05-2023.

During the discussion and negotiation, the Agency has accepted for payment of Rs. 4.30 Crores with 10% simple interest from 09-09-2021 up to 31-05-2023.

Accordingly, the amount works out to Rs. 5,04,38,000/-, as shown below :-

Amount suggested by Hon'ble Mediator in full settlement	Rs. 4,30,00,000/-
Interest @ 10% from 09.09.2021 to 31-05-2023	Rs. 74,37,710/-
TOTAL	Rs.5,04,37,710/- or Rs.5,04,38,000/-

In view of the above, the Conciliation Committee recommends for payment of Rs. 5,04,38,000/- (Rupees Five Crores Four Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand only) as full and final settlement of the issue."

4. In fact, following the settlement, the State of Andhra Pradesh issued a Govt. Order RT No. 122 dated 18.03.2025 directing as under :-

"4. Government after careful examination of the entire matter, hereby accord sanction of an amount of Rs.5,04,38,000/- (Rupees Five crores Four lakhs and Thirty eight thousand only) to M/s Pioneer Builders, contractor as full and final

settlement of the claim towards works of "Earth Work Excavation, Lining and Construction of Structures on SRBC Canal taken up Under AP II - ICB Package No.1 and ICB Package No.4" as recommended by the Conciliation Committee and as agreed by the contractor, subject to condition that the above said contractor should withdraw all legal proceedings pending in the courts in respect of the above said works against the Government or its representative Officer after realization of the sanctioned amount by the above contractor.

5. The expenditure sanctioned in para (4) above shall be chargeable to the Head of Account "4700-COL on Major Irrigation-01 Major Irrigation-Commercial-121 SRBC-GH(11) State Development Schemes-SH(27) C&D-530 Major works-531 Major works(charged)".

6. The Chief Engineer & DWRO, Water Resource Department, Kurnool, is directed disburse the amount to the

above contracting firm and obtain a declaration on the notarized affidavits from the contracting firm stating that he shall withdraw all legal proceedings in respect of the work against the Government of Andhra Pradesh or its representative after realization of the accepted amount. Further, he is also directed to instruct the disbursing office concerned to obtain declaration from the above contractor accepting the amount as full and final settlement of all its claims before disbursement of the above sanctioned amount.

7. The Chief Engineer & DWRO, Water Resource Department, Kurnool is requested to take immediate necessary action accordingly.

8 This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance (W&P) Department, vide their U.O.No.FIN01-FMU0PC(WR3)/5/2020-FMU-WR-III, dated: 18.06.2024.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE
GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)"**

5. It is evident from para 6 of the Government Order that the Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, is directed to take immediate steps in furtherance of the directions in the Govt. Order.

6. In this view of the matter, the civil appeals stand disposed of in terms of the Conciliation dated 31.05.2023 and Govt. Order RT No. 122 dated 18.03.2025. There shall also be a direction that the amount contemplated as per the Govt. Order, should be paid within a period of two months from today.

7. Pending interlocutory application(s), if any, is/are disposed of.

.....J.
[PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA]

.....J.
[ATUL S. CHANDURKAR]

NEW DELHI;
DECEMBER 10, 2025.

ITEM NO.105

COURT NO.6

SECTION III-A

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

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Date : 10-12-2025 These appeals were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ATUL S. CHANDURKARFor Appellant(s) : Mr. Y. Raja Gopala Rao, AOR
Mr. Dhuli Gopi Krishna, Adv.
Mr. Akshay Singh, Adv.
Mr. Sanjana Jain, Adv.For Respondent(s) : Mr. Guntur Pramod Kumar, AOR
Ms. Prerna Singh, Adv.
Mr. Dhruv Yadav, Adv.UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. The civil appeals are disposed of in terms of the signed order.
2. Pending interlocutory application(s), if any, is/are disposed of.

(JAYANT KUMAR ARORA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS(NIDHI WASON)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

(Signed order is placed on the file)