

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 SPetition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 7366-7367/2010

[Arising out of impugned judgment and order dated 26-02-2010 in WP No. 25910/2009 26-02-2010 in WP No. 26083/2009 26-02-2010 in WP No. 25910/2009 26-02-2010 in WP No. 26083/2009 passed by the High Court of Andhra Pradesh at Hyderabad]

GOVT.OF A.P. &amp; ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

M/S OBULAPURAM MINIG.CO.P.LTD. &amp; ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 59533/2019 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS, IA No. 6525/2019 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION, IA No. 127920/2017 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION, IA No. 37408/2021 - EARLY HEARING APPLICATION, IA No. 1/2010 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 21/2013 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No. 6522/2019 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 127918/2017 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 123897/2022 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT and IA No. 123413/2022 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT)

WITH

SLP(C) No. 32690-32691/2010 (XII-A)  
(IA No. 163658/2025 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS)

W.P.(Cr1.) No. 66/2010 (X)

SLP(C) No. 17064-17065/2010 (XII-A)

S.L.P.(C)...CC No. 16830/2010 (XII-A)  
(IA No. 1/2010 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING)

S.L.P.(C)...CC No. 16829/2010 (XII-A)  
(IA No. 1/2010 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING)

W.P.(C) No. 411/2010 (X)  
(IA No. 121370/2022 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION)

W.P.(C) No. 76/2012 (X)

Date : 24-02-2026 These matters were called on for hearing today.

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

#### O R D E R

1. As a result of an inter-state boundary dispute between the

States of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka, it is apparent that unabated illegal mining and unauthorized activities continued at different sites, perhaps even after mining activities were formally banned in 2010. We are informed that the CBI was entrusted to undertake an investigation, but so far, nothing concrete has come out of it.

2. Meanwhile, when the matter came up for hearing on 19.09.2025, a request was made to this Court to constitute a Committee to fix the boundaries of the leased areas and the reserved forest areas, in order to ascertain the extent of illegal encroachment, illegal mining, and other unauthorized activities. This Court consequently constituted a Committee headed by Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia, former Judge of this Court, as Chairperson.

3. We are informed that the Committee is actively involved in the completion of its task and shall complete its work in another six weeks.

4. Having regard to the nature of the responsibility assigned, we are inclined to grant an additional six weeks to the Committee headed by Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia for submission of its report. We request the Committee to ensure that the report throws light upon (i) whether there is any illegal encroachment of the reserved forest area? If so, by whom? (ii) Whether the boundaries of the leased area overlap with the reserved forest area? (iii) What is the magnitude of illegal mining or other unauthorized activities?

5. Keeping in view the composition of the Committee, where State functionaries are also members, we further request the Committee to throw light on the estimated loss suffered by the public exchequer

as a result of the illegal mining and unauthorized activities.

6. Post this matter on 14.05.2026.

(NITIN TALREJA)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI T.C.)  
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