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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI [3327]
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE 24th DAY OF JUNE 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 4618/2026

Between:

1. KARIMAJJI RAMAKRISHNA, S/O LATE LAXMUNAIDU AGE - 43 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-39 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKU LAM 532407 AADHAR NO-406544944326

2. PAMUPUREDDY SRIRAMULU, S/0 LATE SRIRAMULU AGE - 33 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-101 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-612639705491

3. KARIMAJJI RAMANA, S/0 SURYANARAYANA AGE - 55 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-6 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-445513670058

4. KARIMAJJI GOVINDA, S/0 SURYANARAYANA AGE - 53 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 2-58 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-993665490949

5. KARIMAJJI APPALARAMUDU, S/0 APPANNA AGE -69 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 13-9 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-312160951522

6. KALISETTI BHADRAYYA, S/0 APPALASURI AGE - 50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-23 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-966241431264

7. KELLA PADDHAMA, W/0 SOMINAIDU AGE -28 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-611118307172

8. KELLA SOMINAIDU, S/0 LATE SIMMANNA AGE -33 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-616543667848

9. ADAPAKA VENKATALAXMI, W/0 BHADRAYYA AGE -48 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-17 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-213059786085

10. ADAPAKA BHADRAYYA, S/0 LATE SANNAYYASI AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 81 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-900734696156

11. ADAPAKA THAVUDAMMA, W/0 LATE SAN NAYYASI AGE -80 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-81 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-294023005560

12. KARIMAJJI SURIDU, W/0 APPALARAMUDU AGE -61 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 13-9 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-561963876677

13. GEDDAPU APPALANAIDU, S/0 LATE POTHAYYA AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 1 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-

SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-546459649781

14. MANTRI BANGARINAIDU, S/0 LATE THATHA AGE -68 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-12 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-841511242590

15. MANTRI SURAPPAMMA, W/0 BANGARINAIDU AGE -60 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3- 12 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-61274394490

16. DHARMAVARAPU RAMGOPAL, S/0 SIMMANNA AGE -31 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 23 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-886179189585

17. DHARMAVARAPU RAMU, S/0 ACHHIYYA AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 13-612 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-485051793696

18. DHARMAVARAPU SURIRAMULU, W/0 RAMU AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 13- 612 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST- SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-803688732350

19. MANTRI SATYANARAYANA, S/0 RAMUNAIDU AGE -36 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-53 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-645548543260

20. MANTRI RAMUNAIDU, S/0 LATE SURYANARAYANA AGE -68 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-53 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-676969838816

21. MANTEI RAMANAMMA, W/0 RAMUNAIDU AGE -53 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-53 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-311049140344

22. ADAPAKA PARVATHI, W/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -59 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-81 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-246572680138

23. ADAPAKA APPALANAIDU, S/0 LATE SANNAYYASI AGE -63 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-81 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-346857287925

24. KELLA SUNI, S/0 LATE MAHALACHHI AGE -90 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-45 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-218110851161

25. KARIMAJJI SATHYAVATHI, W/0 LAXMANARO AGE -26 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-24 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-961358072095

26. KARIMAJJI LAXMANARAO, S/0 LATE SUNI AGE -35 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-24 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-219156272341

27. KARIMAJJI MAHALAXMIMMA, W/0 LATE SUNI AGE -80 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 24 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-408535059037

28. DHARMAVARAPU BARIKAYYA, S/0 LATE MALACHHI AGE -47 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-110 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR

NO-801363067743

29. KARIMAJJI PENTAMUNAIDU, S/0 LATE RAMULU AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-27 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-219004068032

30. KARIMAJJI ADILAXMI, W/O LATE AKKALANAIDU AGE -54 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 4- 35 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-509096660278

31. DHARMAVARAPU RAMANAMMA, W/O BHADRAYYA AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-116 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-568786865151

32. GANTYADA KUMARI, W/O RAMAKRISHNA AGE -38 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-22 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-971762460529

33. GANTYADA RAMAKRISHNA, S/O LATE SURI AGE -47 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-22 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-285476914512

34. GANTYADA ANKAMMA, W/O LATE SURI AGE -70 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-22 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-685939339551

35. GANTYADA ANASUYA, W/O SATHYAMANARA AGE -33 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 00 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-430480711661

36. KARIMAJJI BHASKARARAO, S/O RAMANA AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 2-88 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-293886281775

37. PAMPUREDDY SUREEDU, W/O LATE SURYANARAYANA AGE -53 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-101 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-852459504404

38. PAMPUREDDY KOTESWARARAO, S/O CHINNAYYA AGE -29 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-99 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-235242318889

39. PAMPUREDDY SEETHARAMUDU, S/O KRISHNA AGE -35 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 6- 34 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-915788907311

40. PAMPUREDDY SIVADURGA, W/0 SEETHARAMUDU AGE -32 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 6-34 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-862647716028

41. KELLA SOMINAIDU, S/0 LATE SIMMANNA AGE -33 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-616543667848

42. PAMPUREDDY UMA, S/O SRIRAMULU AGE -27 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-101 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-408226812966

43. PAMPUREDDY LACCHUMU, S/O LATE KRISHNNAYYA AGE -75 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-103 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-338181067938

44. KARIMAJJI JAGANNADHAM, S/O LATE ACHHANNA AGE -67 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-71 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-413320955318

45. KARIMAJJI ANASUYA, W/O RAMARAO AGE -35 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-76 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-906213154099

46. KARIMAJJI RAMARAO, S/0 LATE APPALANAIDU AGE -43 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 76 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-593738984787

47. GEDDAPU AMMANNA, W/0 PAPINAIDU AGE -55 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-1 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-245603959307

48. GEDDAPU PAPINAIDU, S/0 LATE SURAYYA AGE -67 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-1 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-676951760126

49. PAMPUREDDY LAXMUNAIDU, S/0 RAMULU AGE -63 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-92 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-605905054546

50. PAPUREDDY APPAMMA, W/0 LAXMUNAIDU AGE -59 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 92 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-

SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-299874483396

51. KELLA MAHALAXMUNAIDU, S/0 LATE JOGULU AGE -45 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 154 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST- SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-972632361341

52. GANTYADA PARAMMA, W/0 LATE APPALANAIDU AGE -80 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-9 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-369713134016

53. GANTYADA LAXMANARAO, S/0 LATE KANNAYYA AGE -45 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-46 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-583338181607

54. GANTYADA SATHYAMNARAYANA, S/0 KANNAYYA AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-9 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-726225896685

55. KELLA SURYANARAYANA, S/0 LATE RAMASWAMY AGE -60 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 5-55 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-984232476171

56. NADUPURI MAHESH, S/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -35 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 2-18 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-832196866201

57. PAMPUREDDY MAHALAXMI, W/0 CHINNAYYA AGE -49 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 199 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-

RANASTHALAM DIST- SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-800572124169

58. KELLA PARVATHI, W/0 LATE HARINAIDU AGE -55 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-98 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-746261649787

59. KELLA LAXMI, W/0 RAMUNAIDU AGE -33 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-98 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-254141336989

60. KELLA RAMUNAIDU, S/0 LATE HARINAIDU AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-98 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-944181346397

61. KELLA DHAMAYANTHI, W/0 GOLLA AGE -47 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 7-54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-943794653851

62. KELLA GOLLA, S/0 LATE SATHYAM AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 7-54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-783389458543

63. DHARMAVARAPU SATHYAVATHI, W/0 RAMU AGE -29 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 60 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-310392537170

64. DHARMAVARAPU BHADRAYYA, S/0 LATE PEDDHATHAVUDU AGE -43 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-50 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-511798153233

65. DHARMAVARAPU STHYAVATHI, W/O THAVUDU AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 50 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-483219841778

66. DHARMAVARAPU THAVUDU, S/O LATE KANNAYYA AGE -55 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-50 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-994227231878

67. GANTYADA RAMA, W/O DHALINADU AGE -41 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-12 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-545112820564

68. GANTYADA DHALINAIDU, S/O LATE RAMUPU AGE -49 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 12 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-924086859584

69. AVURU APPALANAIDU, S/0 BODAYYA AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-32 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-365954770962

70. POTNURU THAVITINAIDU, S/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -34 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 2-4 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-345612631020

71. POTNURU APPALANAIDU, S/0 LATE THAVUDU AGE -67 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 2- 4 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-431098138053

72. POTNURU KANTHAMMA, W/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -60 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 2-4 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRI KAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-506574551206

73. KELLA SATHYAVATHI, W/0 SATHYAM AGE -31 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-528255194776

74. KELLA SATHYAM, S/0 LATE SIMMANNA AGE -36 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-797330503658

75. KELLA SATHYAMNARAYANA, S/0 LATE KANNAYYA AGE -39 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-121 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-912468471148

76. KELLA SATHYAVATHI, W/0 PAPINAIDU AGE -39 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-121 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-905031847569

77. KELLA PAPINAIDU, S/0 LATE KANNAYY AGE -43 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-121 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-254294749845

78. LENKA GOVINDA, S/0 LATE SRIRAMULU AGE -45 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 4-87 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-942410850825

79. KELLA APPAMMA, W/0 LATE KANNAYYA AGE -76 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-121 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-

SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-829847403731

80. KARIMAJJI BHARATHI, W/0 GOLLA AGE -29 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-36 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-808030931569

81. VADDEPALI SYAMALA, W/0 MAHESH AGE -32 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-87 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-619417342634

82. VADDEPALLI MAHESH, S/0 LATE KANNAYYA AGE -35 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 87 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-248435456623

83. KELLA THATHARAO, S/0 LATE APPANNNA AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-88 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407AADHAR NO-393214159178

84. KELLA PUSPAVATHI, W/O THATHARAO AGE -48 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-88 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-936699564484

85. KELLA CHINNAMMI, W/O LATE APPANNA AGE -74 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-88 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-310703687596

86. GEDDAPU PAPALU, W/O LATE SOMAYYA AGE -90.OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-98 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-830534638639

87. KARIMAJJI NARAYANARAO, S/O LATE APPALANAIDU AGE -33 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-26 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-

RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-328664219463

88. KARIMAJJI SHARADHA, W/O NARAYANARAO AGE -27 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-26 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-443818549948

89. KARIMAJJI RAMULAMMA, W/O LAXMUNAIDU AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 48 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTNALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-646234431904

90. KARIMAJJI LAXMUNAIDU, S/0 CHANDRAYYA AGE -59 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 48 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-351157981224

91. KARIMAJJI CHANDRAYYA, S/0 LATE CHANDRAYYA AGE -80 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-48 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-215733972776

92. KARIMAJJI SATEESH, S/0 LAXMUNAIDU AGE -29 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-48 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-303530687796

93. KARIMAJJI ANNAPURNA, W/O CHANDRAYYA AGE -77 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-48 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-400354257168

94. VALLAPALLI LAXMI, W/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -29 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-18 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-785894312796

95. KARIMAJJI MAHESH, S/O RAMANA AGE -37 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-25 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-222113284930

96. KARIMAJJI GOVINDA, S/0 LATE THAVITINAIDU AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 2- 54 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-749219542596

97. VALLAPALLI APPALANAIDU, S/0 LATE RAMANA AGE -35 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 18 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-412320046532

98. KARIMAJJI RAMAN, S/0 LATE SATHYAM AGE -59 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-23 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-288159052699

99. ROUTH RAMANA, S/0 THAVITINAIDU AGE -49 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-68 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-242866486843

100. ROUTH SUSILA, W/0 RAMANA AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-68 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-665117123894

101. KARIMAJJI RAMULAMMA, W/0 LATE TRINADH AGE 50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 6- 122 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-853050781832

102. KARIMAJJI BHASKARARAO, S/0 LATE TRINADH AGE -34 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 6- 122 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR

NO-747858999414

103. KARIMAJJI ARUNA, W/0 BHASKARARAO AGE -25 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 6-122 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-782168672170

104. KARIMAJJI KOTESWARARAO, S/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -29 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 13-97 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-426696088198

105. KARIMAJJI APPALANAIDU, S/0 ASHIRINAIDU AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 13- 97 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST- SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-776827355004

106. KARIMAJJI RAMANAMMA, .W/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -45 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 13-97 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-396099148221

107. KARIMAJJI SURYANARAYANA, S/0 ASHIRINAIDU AGE -60 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 21 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST- SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-404468404953

108. KARIMAJJI JAYAMMA, W/0 SURYANARAYANA AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 21 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-793320023110

109. KARIMAJJI LAXMANARAO, S/0 SURYANARAYANA AGE -42 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-6 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR

NO-386026407518 110.

110. KARIMAJJI SATHYAMNARAYANA, S/0 SURYANARAYANA AGE -41 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-6 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-815625860321

111. KARIMAJJI SRINUVASARAO, S/0 SURYNARAYANA AGE -45 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-546 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-717462993891

112. KARIMAJJI LAXMI, W/0 SRIRAMULU AGE -33 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-26 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-95060631990

113. KARIMAJJI SRIRAMULU, S/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -36 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-26 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-899305015056

114. MANIPURI DURGAPRASAD, S/0 RAMUNAIDU AGE -26 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 17- 45 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL-RANASTHALAM DIST- SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-397339073869

115. VALLA SRIRAMU, S/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -24 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-141 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-832352126471

116. VALLA APPALANAIDU, S/0 SRIRAMULU AGE -45 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-141 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-816767670887

117. VALLA LAXMI, W/0 APPALANAIDU AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-141 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-688221465620

118. MANIPURI RAMALAXMI, W/0 RAMUNAIDU AGE -40 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 45 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-283310640915

119. KELLA NAGAMANI, W/0 MAHESH AGE -25 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 3-98 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-896353209119

120. VALAPALLI RAMALAXMI, W/0 LATE RAMAN AGE -55 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1- 18 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-464439484382

121. KARIMAJJI SAROJINI, W/0 RAMAKRISHNA AGE -45 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-49 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-230157603597

122. KARIMAJJI RAMAKRISHNA, S/0 SATHYAM AGE -50 OCC-FARMER R/O D.NO 1-49 VILLAGE NAGARAPALEM POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM 532407 AADHAR NO-202144478548

...PETITIONER(S)

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO PANCHAYATI RAJ, DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDING, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT -522237.

2. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT - 53201.

3. THE MPDO, RANASTHALAM, SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT - - 532407

4. THE NAGARAPALEM GRAM PANCHAYAT, REP. BY ITS PANCHAYAT SECRETARY, NAGARAPALEM VILLAGE POST-RANASTHALAM MANDAL- RANASTHALAM DIST-SRIKAKULAM - 532407

5. THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT - 532001. 6.

6. THE STATION HOUSE OFFICER, JR PURAM POLICE STATION, RANASTHALAM MANDAL, SRIKAKULAM - 532407.

7. M/S RAVIKIRAN BEVERAGES, REP. BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR, VENKATA KIRAN KUMAR NARAYANASETTI, 6-7-3, KOTI STREET, SRIKAKULAM TOWN, SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT - 532001.

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 topleased to issue a Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, declaring the action of the Respondents in permitting the establishment and operation of a beverages manufacturing company in lands situated in Sy. Nos. 293/1, 293/2, 293/3, 293/4, 293/5, 293/6 and 293/7 of Ranasthalam Village and Mandal, Srikakulam District, including the closure, obstruction and conversion of a public water body/Gedda to an extent of about 50 cents, without following due process of law, without conducting mandatory environmental and statutory clearances, and without safeguarding public water resources, as illegal, arbitrary, unconstitutional and unsustainable and also violative of Articles 14, 21 and 300- A of the Constitution of India, the Public Trust Doctrine, and the principles laid down by the

Honble Supreme Court in M.C. Mehta v. Kamal Nath, (1997) 1 SCC 388, Hinch Lal Tiwari v. Kamala Devi, (2001) 6 SCC 496, and Intellectuals Forum, Tirupathi v. State of A.P., (2006) 3 SCC 549, wherein it has been categorically held that water bodies are public trust properties and cannot be alienated, encroached upon or diverted for private or commercial purposes Consequently, direct the Respondents not to permit the establishment or continuation of any industrial or commercial activity in the above said lands affecting the public water body/Gedda, and to forthwith restore the water body to its original natural condition, in accordance with law and environmental norms, as mandated by the Honble Supreme Court in Jagpal Singh v. State of Punjab, (2011)11 SCC 396 and Pass s

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased pleased to stay all further proceedings including construction, establishment and operation of the beverages company, in the lands situated in Sy. Nos. 293/1,2,3,4, 5,6&7 of Village Nagarapalem Ranasthalam Post and Mandal, Srikakulam District and Pass

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

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Counsel for the Respondent(S):

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3. Yarraguntla.Koteswara Rao,Standing Counsel For Zilla Praja Parishads,Mandal Praja Parishads and Gra
4. S LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDY

The Court made the following order:

O R D E R

The present Writ Petition is filed seeking the following relief :

"….to issue an appropriate Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ, Order or Direction, declaring the action of the Respondents in permitting the establishment and operation of a beverages manufacturing company n lands situated in Sy.Nos.293/1, 293/2, 293/3, 293/4 293/5, 293/6 and 293/7 of Ranasthalam Village and Mandal, Srikakulam District, including the closure, obstruction and conversion of a public water body/Gedda to an extent of about 50 cents, without following due process of law, without conducting mandatory environmental and statutory clearances, and without safeguarding public water resources, as illegal, arbitrary, unconstitutional and unsustainable and also violative of Articles 14, 21 and 300-A of the Constitution of India, the Public Trust Doctrine, and the principles laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in M.C. Mehta v. Kamal Nath, (1977) 1 SCC 388, Hinch Lal Tiwari v. Kamala Devi, (2001) 6 SCC 496 and Intellectuals Forum, Tirupathi v. State of A.P., (2006) 3 SCC 549, wherein it has been categorically held that water bodies are public trust properties and cannot be alienated, encroached upon or diverted for private or commercial purposes; Consequently, direct the respondents not to permit the establishment or continuation of any industrial or commercial activity in the above said lands affecting the public water body/Gedda, and to forthwith restore the water body to its original natural condition, in accordance with law and environmental norms, as mandated by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Japal Singh v. State of Punjab, (2011) 11 SCC 396 …".

2. The averments of the writ affidavit, in brief, are as follows.

The petitioners are residents of Nagarapalem Village, Ranastalam Mandal, Srikakulam District. It is stated that in an extent of Ac.1.60 cents in survey Nos. 293/1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Nagarapalem post, Ranasthalam mandal, Srikakulam district, 7th respondent intends to establish a plant of beverages and highhandedly closed and filled up a public Gedda, thereby leaving the surrounding agricultural lands with no means for irrigation and other allied activities. 7th respondent dug several bore wells of more than 300 meters depth, resulting in depletion of ground water and causing severe ecological imbalance. 7th respondent is trying to establish the plant without approval and sanction from the competent authority. Respondents 2 to 6 permitted respondent No.7 to establish the beverages manufacturing company without informing or consulting the villagers/elders. Respondents 2 to 6 have no authority to permit establishment of a water intensive beverages industry by closing a public water body and extracting ground water in heavy /industrial quantity, without following due process of law. The villagers have been continuously protesting against the establishment of the industry and have submitted several representations to the authorities. However, no effective action has

been taken. On the contrary, criminal cases have allegedly been registered against the protesting villagers, and the protest site was removed with police assistance. It is also stated that the impugned action infringes the petitioners' Fundamental Rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 21 and 300-A of the Constitution of India, including the right to life, livelihood and access to water. As such, the present Writ Petition is filed.

3. 4th respondent-Gram Panchayat filed counter affidavit denying the material averments made in the writ affidavit and stating *inter alia* that all the Departments concerned with the establishment of the Beverages unit issued No Objection Certificate for establishment of the plant by 7th respondent and certified that there is no objection for the said Departments for establishing the unit; that 7th respondent paid Rs.2,46,000/- on 21.8.2023 towards Non-Agricultural Land Assessment (NALA) charges to the Government and obtained orders from the Revenue Divisional Officer/Competent Authority, Srikakulam; that 7th respondent obtained (i) Udayam Certificate (MSME) dated 1.12.2025; (ii)Fire Department permission dated 10.09.2025; (iii)Building Permit Order dated 21.11.2023; (iv) Ground Water Department clearance dated 25.9.2025; (v) Pollution Control Board clearance dated 10.11.2023 and (vi) Factories Department

permission dated 1.9.2023; that on 25.8.2025, Ranasthalam Gram Panchayat granted NOC for establishment of the unit of Carbonated Soft Drinks, Fruit Pulp Juices, packaged Drinking water, etc. by 7th respondent, after verifying the permissions given by the Line Departments; that no right of the petitioners is infringed by virtue of the action of this respondent, to invoke provisions of Article 226 of the Constitution of India. Hence, it is prayed to dismiss the Writ Petition.

4. 7th respondent filed counter affidavit, denying the material averments made in the writ affidavit, and contending *inter alia* as follows.

7th respondent is a registered partnership firm, constituted for establishment of small-scale industry for manufacture of carbonated soft drinks and fruit pulp juice; that the firm owned Ac.1.64 cents of land and took an extent Ac.3.13 cents of land covered by survey Nos. 293/1, 293/2, 293/3, 293/4, 293/5, 293/6 and 293/7 of Ranasthalam village & mandal, Srikakulam district, on lease; that pursuant to its application, the A.P. Pollution Control Board issued Consent Order dated 10.11.2023; that it obtained Registration Certificate from the Industries Department which was registered on 03.08.2023 under Udyam Registration Certificate, and the Factories

Department also issued proceedings dated 01.09.2023 approving the plans for construction of the factory; that the Ground Water and Water Audit Department also issued proceedings dated 25.9.2023 for digging of bore wells as per the limitations provided therein; that the Revenue Divisional Officer, who is the competent authority, issued proceedings dated 26.10.2023 for conversion of the land, and it also obtained building permission from the Srikakulam Urban Development Authority for construction of Industrial Building vide permit dated 21.11.2023, and also obtained No Objection Certificate from 4th respondent on 25.8.2025 for establishment of the factory, and No Objection Certificate from the State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department dated 10.09.2025.

It is further stated that after obtaining all permissions and clearances, 7th respondent commenced construction of the factory and it reached final stage, and at that juncture, petitioners filed the present Writ Petition; that 7th respondent obtained permission from the Ground Water and Water Audit Department whereby it was permitted to take ground water as per the requirement and the same was issued after inspection of the location and after conducting the ground water investigations; that there is no Gadda in the vicinity of the proposed land as there is an existing road from NH 16 road via

Nagarapalem village to Bandipalem village, and the said road was covered by survey Nos. 261-1, 265, 234, 235, 238, 239, 179, 175 and 175, which is a gravel and metal road belonging to Ranasthalam grampanchayat, and the same is evident from the Certificate dated 2.12.2024 issued by the Grampanchayat; that without verifying the factual background and the permissions granted by the competent authorities, the petitioners filed the present Writ Petition, only to prevent the firm from carrying out its products and to cause loss to it.

It is further stated that 7th respondent commenced the factory after obtaining necessary permissions and consent from the competent authorities, and after thorough verification of the documents and after physical site inspection, the authorities gave approvals and permissions, and as such, the petitioners have no *locus standi* and no right to interrupt the activities. Hence, it is prayed to dismiss the Writ Petition.

5. Heard Sri P.Viseswar Rao, learned counsel for the petitioners, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj for respondents 1 to 3; Sri Y. Koteswara Rao, learned Standing Counsel for respondent No.4-grampanchayat; the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Home for respondents 5 and 6 and Sri

S.Lakshmi Narayana Reddy, learned counsel for respondent No.7. Perused the record.

6. The point that arises for consideration in the present Writ Petition is whether there are any grounds to *direct the respondents not to permit the establishment or continuation of any industrial or commercial activity for beverages manufacturing company by* 7th respondent *in lands situated in Sy.Nos.293/1, 293/2, 293/3, 293/4 293/5, 293/6 and 293/7 of Ranasthalam Village and Mandal, Srikakulam District ?*

7. The learned counsel for the petitioners contended that 7th respondent has encroached upon and filled up a public *Gedda* (natural water course) situated in Survey Nos.293/1 to 293/7 of Ranasthalam Village, which results in obstructing the natural flow of water and adversely affects the irrigation requirements of the surrounding agricultural lands. It is further contended that the proposed industry is a water-intensive unit and extracts groundwater through deep bore wells and the same would result in depletion of groundwater and causes severe environmental degradation and adversely affects the livelihood of the villagers.

He further submits that the authorities failed to conduct a proper assessment of the environmental impact before permitting the establishment of the industry. He submits that the statutory authorities granted permissions mechanically, without conducting proper inspections, without considering the objections of the local residents and without following the mandatory procedure contemplated under the relevant environmental and statutory enactments, and though the villagers repeatedly submitted representations opposing the establishment of the industry, the authorities failed to consider the same.

It is also contended that the impugned action infringes the petitioners' Fundamental Gights guaranteed under Articles 14 and 21 of the Constitution of India by depriving them of their right to clean water, healthy environment and livelihood.

8. On the other hand, the learned Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj appearing for the official respondents sought to sustain the approvals and permissions granted by the competent authorities and submits that the allegations made in the Writ Petition are baseless and not supported by any material. He further submits that the competent statutory authorities, after due verification and inspection, granted all the requisite permissions for establishment of

the proposed industrial unit strictly in accordance with the Statutes and Rules in vogue, by independently examining the proposal and after satisfying themselves regarding compliance with the statutory requirements, and 7th respondent is obligated to comply with the various conditions and stipulations imposed therein, which will be continuously monitored by the authorities concerned.

9. The learned Standing Counsel appearing for 4th respondent submits that the Gram Panchayat issued No Objection Certificate in accordance with the procedure contemplated under law and after verifying that 7th respondent obtained the requisite approvals from all the competent line departments, and the said action of the grampanchayat cannot be faulted with. It is further submitted that no legal or Fundamental Right of the petitioners has been infringed by any action of the Gram Panchayat and, therefore, the Writ Petition is liable to be dismissed.

10. The learned counsel appearing for 7th respondent submits that the subject unit is being established only after obtaining all statutory approvals and permissions from the competent authorities viz. registration under the Udyam Scheme, approval from the Factories Department, consent from the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, permission from the Ground Water and Water Audit

Department, land conversion orders, building permission from the competent planning authority, No Objection Certificate from the Gram Panchayat and Fire Services Department. He submits that no natural water body exists within the land belonging to 7th respondent and that there is only an existing Gram Panchayat road in the vicinity, which is evident from the records and certificate issued by the Gram Panchayat. He submits that the Ground Water Department conducted necessary investigations before granting permission for drawing groundwater, with the conditions regulating the said process. He further submits that the project reached the final stage of construction, and there is no material to substantiate their version. He submits that there is no illegality or procedural irregularity in the grant of permissions by the competent authorities, and no interference is called for, by this Court, in a petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. Hence, he prays to dismiss the Writ Petition.

11. It is the case of the petitioners that they are residents of Nagarapalem Village, Ranastalam Mandal, Srikakulam District, and in an extent of Ac.1.60 cents in survey Nos. 293/1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Nagarapalem post, Ranasthalam mandal, Srikakulam district, 7th respondent intends to establish a plant of beverages. It is their

grievance that in the said process, 7th respondent closed and filled up a public Gedda (water body), which results in no means for irrigation and other allied activities to the surrounding agricultural lands. It is also their grievance that 7th respondent dug several bore wells of more than 300 meters depth, resulting in depletion of ground water and causing severe ecological imbalance, and that 7th respondent is trying to establish the plant without approval and sanction from the competent authority, and that the Respondents 2 to 6 have not followed the requisite procedure before granting such permissions.

12. There cannot be any dispute, and as is evident from the record, that pursuant to the application made by 7th respondent, the A.P. Pollution Control Board issued Consent Order dated 10.11.2023. 7th respondent also obtained Registration Certificate from the Industries Department which was registered on 03.08.2023 under Udyam Registration Certificate, and it also obtained proceedings dated 01.09.2023 from the Factories Department, approving the plans for construction of the factory. It is also evident from the record that the Ground Water and Water Audit Department also issued proceedings dated 25.9.2023 for digging of bore wells as per the limitations provided therein, to draw water as per the

requirement and the same was issued after inspection of the location and after conducting the ground water investigations. The Revenue Divisional Officer, who is the competent authority, issued proceedings dated 26.10.2023 for conversion of the land. 7th respondent also obtained building permission from the Srikakulam Urban Development Authority for construction of Industrial Building vide permit dated 21.11.2023, and a No Objection Certificate from 4th respondent on 25.8.2025 for establishment of the factory, and No Objection Certificate from the State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department dated 10.09.2025. 4th respondent-Ranasthalam Gram Panchayat granted NOC for establishment of the unit of Carbonated Soft Drinks, Fruit Pulp Juices, packaged Drinking water, etc. by 7th respondent, after verifying the permissions given by the Line Departments.

13. In the aforesaid background, it is the case of 7th respondent that after obtaining all permissions and clearances, it commenced construction of the factory and it reached final stage, and at that juncture, petitioners filed the present Writ Petition;

14. It is the specific case of 7th respondent that there is no Gadda (water body) in the vicinity of the proposed land as there is an existing road from NH 16 road via Nagarapalem village to

Bandipalem village, and the said road was covered by survey Nos. 261-1, 265, 234, 235, 238, 239, 179, 175 and 175, which is a gravel and metal road belonging to Ranasthalam grampanchayat, and the same is evident from the Certificate dated 2.12.2024 issued by the Grampanchayat. According to 7th respondent, without verifying the factual background and the permissions granted by the competent authorities, the petitioners filed the present Writ Petition, only to prevent the firm from carrying out its products and to cause loss to it, and that no right of the petitioners is infringed by virtue of the action of this respondent, to invoke provisions of Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

15. There cannot be any dispute about granting of the aforesaid permissons and approvals in favour of 7th respondent. No material has been plaed before this Court to substantiate that the permissions were obtained illegally or without following due procedure. This Court, in its judicial review under Article 226 of the Constitution has to examine the legality of the decision making process and not the correctness of technical decisions taken by expert statutory authorities. Matters relating to environmental clearance, groundwater assessment, pollution control, factory approval and land use conversion are entrusted by the legislature to

expert authorities possessing the necessary technical expertise. Once the competent statutory authorities, after inspection and verification, granted the requisite approvals under the respective enactments, this Court would be slow to interfere in exercise of its extraordinary jurisdiction unless the decision-making process is shown to be vitiated by patent illegality, *mala fides*, lack of jurisdiction or violation of mandatory statutory provisions. Mere apprehension of environmental damage, ground water depletion, etc., unsupported by cogent material, cannot be a ground to interdict an industrial project which has secured all statutory approvals.

16. Much emphasis has been laid by the learned counsel for the petitioners on the alleged obstruction of a public Gedda and the principles laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court regarding protection of water bodies. There is no dispute thatnatural water bodies constitute public trust properties and deserve protection. However, the applicability of those principles necessarily depends upon the existence of foundational facts. In the present case, respondent No.7 has specifically denied the existence of any Gedda passing through the subject property and has asserted that there is no encroachment upon any water body. It has also relied upon the records and certificate issued by the Gram Panchayat in support of

its stand. The petitioners have not produced any authenticated revenue record, village map, field measurement book, irrigation record or any other official document conclusively establishing that the lands in question form part of a notified water body or that 7th respondent has encroached upon the same. The disputed questions relating to the existence or location or alleged obstruction of the Gedda involve factual adjudication requiring appreciation of evidence, which cannot be undertaken in a proceedings under Article 226 of the Constitution. It is also relevant to note that the Ground Water and Water Audit Department granted permission for extraction of groundwater subject to prescribed conditions. Likewise, the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board granted consent after examining the proposal under the applicable environmental laws. The statutory authorities are empowered to monitor compliance with the conditions imposed by them and to initiate appropriate action in the event of any violation. If respondent No.7 violates any of the conditions incorporated in the permissions or operates the industry contrary to law, it is always open to the competent authorities to take action in accordance with the relevant statutory provisions.

17. The contention of the petitioners that respondent No.7 is establishing the factory without obtaining statutory approvals is,

therefore, factually incorrect in view of the documentary material placed before this Court. In the absence of any material demonstrating that the permissions were obtained by fraud, misrepresentation or in violation of mandatory statutory provisions, this Court finds no justification to exercise its extraordinary jurisdiction under Article 226 of the Constitution to interfere with the establishment of the industrial unit. Further more, when once the competent authorities granted the necessary statutory approvals, the Court does not sit as an appellate authority over the satisfaction recorded by such expert bodies unless the decision suffers from arbitrariness, irrationality, *mala fides* or patent illegality. No such ground has been established by the petitioners in the present case. Accordingly, this Court is of the considered opinion that the petitioners have failed to make out any case warranting interference under Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

18. The Writ Petition is according dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs.

Miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, in the Writ Petition shall stand closed.

(K.Sreenivasa Reddy)

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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

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HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

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Between:

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AND

State of AP and Others **...RESPONDENT(S)**

DATE OF ORDER PRONOUNCED : 24.06.2026

SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

1. Whether Reporters of Local Newspapers may be allowed to see the Order? Yes/No

2. Whether the copy of Order may be marked to Law Reporters/Journals? Yes/No

3. Whether His Lordship wish to see the fair copy of the Order? Yes/No

JUSTICE K.SREENIVASA REDDY

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