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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI [3457]
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE 24th DAY OF JUNE 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE HARINATH.N

WRIT PETITION NO: 7863/2026

Between:

1. M/S V1 ENTERPRISES, REP. BY ITS PROPRIETOR V VENU GOPAL, S/O. VIJAYA BHASKAR RAO, AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS, OCC CONTRACTOR, R/O. D.NO.24-15-42, 4TH LINE, NALLACHERUVU, GUNTUR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, PINCODE 522003.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, PINCODE 522238.
2. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PLANNING, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT, PINCODE 522238.
3. THE GUNTUR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER, GUNTUR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, PINCODE 522003.
4. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER3, GUNTUR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, GUNTUR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, PINCODE 522003.
5. THE PROJECT DIRECTOR, AP STATE HOUSING CORPORATION LIMITED (APSHCL), GUNTUR, GUNTUR DISTRICT, PINCODE 522003.

...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 apetitioners pray writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ or direction declaring the action of the Respondents not releasing the amount of Rs.7,09,410/- vide M Book No. 804/2022-23, even

after finalizing the bills, payable to the petitioner in relation to the works Formation of Quarry Rubbish for Repair works toi.e., approaches and Internal Roads at Etukuru Housing Layout-01 in Div No. 16 under AE-10 Section, vide Agreement No. EE./G.M.C./ GNT/ Agt. No. 853/ 2022-23, dated 22.02.2023 is questioned, as the same is illegal, arbitrary and consequently direct the respondents to pay for payment of amount of Rs.7,09,410/- vide M Book No. 804/2022-23 with interest 24 per annum for the delayed amount to the petitioner in respect of execution of above-mentioned work forthwith and pass

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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 may please to direct the respondents to pay for payment of amount of Rs.7,09,410/- vide M Book No. 804/2022-23 with interest @24% per annum for the delayed amount to the petitioner in respect of execution of works i.e. Formation of Quarry Rubbish for Repair works to approaches and Internal Roads at Etukuru Housing Layout-01 in Div No. 16 under AE-10 Section, vide Agreement No. EE./G.M.C./ GNT/ Agt. No. 853/ 2022-23, dated 22.02.2023, forthwith, pending disposal of the Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. MODAPOTHULA SUMALATHA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. MALLIKHARJUNA MOORTHY K (SC FOR A.P HOUSING CORPORATION LIMITED)
2. GP MUNCIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV AP
3. GP FOR FINANCE PLANNING

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ORDER:

1. The petitioners are aggrieved by the action of the respondents in not releasing the amount of Rs.7,09,410/- vide M Book No. 804/2022-23, even after finalizing the bills, payable to the petitioner in relation to the works Formation of Quarry Rubbish for Repair works i.e., approaches and Internal Roads at Etukuru Housing Layout-01 in Div No. 16 under AE-10 Section, vide Agreement No. EE./G.M.C./ GNT/ Agt. No. 853/ 2022-23, dated 22.02.2023.
2. The learned counsel further submits that the petitioner duly executed all the works and thereafter submitted final bills duly endorsed and Quality Control Certificate was also issued by the competent authority. A statement detailing the works executed by the petitioner was prepared, progress of the work was recorded in the M-book. However, in spite of the completion of all procedural formalities, the payment towards the completed works has not been released till date.
3. Heard the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, the learned Government Pleader for Municipal Administration & Urban Development, Sri A.S.C.Bose, learned Standing Counsel for the Municipality and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Finance and Planning.
4. During the course of hearing, on written instructions, the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents does not dispute the submissions

made by the petitioner with respect to the completion of the work undertaken and that the non-payment of bills is due to paucity of funds.

5. Considering the submissions, the concerned respondents are hereby directed to verify and release the payments due payable to the petitioner as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of ten weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

Pending miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed.

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JUSTICE HARINATH.N

Date:24.06.2026
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