

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA  
AT HYDERABAD  
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

WEDNESDAY, THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF JULY  
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

**PRESENT**

**THE HONOURABLE MRS JUSTICE SUREPALLI NANDA**

**WRIT PETITION NO: 22685 OF 2026**

**Between:**

Kandadi Anji Reddy, S/o. Papi Reddy, Age 48 years, Occ. Business, R/o. H.No. 1-55/A, Rampally Dayara Village, Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation, Keesara Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District

**...PETITIONER**

**AND**

1. The State of Telangana, Rep. by its Principal Secretary Endowment Department, Secretariat Building, Hyderabad.
2. The Commissioner, Endowment Department, Boggulakunta, Hyderabad
3. The Deputy-Commissioner, Endowment Department, Boggulakunta, Hyderabad
4. The Assistant Commissioner, Endowment Department, Boggulakunta, Hyderabad
5. Sri Ramalingeshwara Swamy Temple, Rep.by its Executive Officer, Keesaragutta, at Keesara, Medchal-Malkajgiri District
6. T. Venkatesh, S/o . T. Eeswaraiah, Age 65 years, Occ. Founder Family Member Trustee, Sri Ramalingeshwara Swamy Temple, Keesaragutta, at Keesara, Medchal-Malkajgiri District

**...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 issue writ, or writs, order or orders, direction, more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS by declaring the action of the Respondent No.2 in not passing orders on Petitioner's representation dated 29-06-2026 who implement the proceedings in R.C. No. 35/SRSLT/96 dated 19-04-1996 in view of the dismissal of Writ Petition No. 9380/1996 by constituting managing committee to 5th Respondent Temple for better and smooth running of a Temple as illegal arbitrary and violation of principles of natural justice and consequently direct the Respondent No.2 to pass

orders on Petitioner's representation dated 29-06-2026 and constitute a managing committee to the 5th Respondent Temple.

**I.A. NO: 1 OF 2026**

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 to direct the 5th Respondent to take over the charge from the 6th Respondent as the proceedings dated 19-04-1996 restored due to the dismissal of Writ Petition No. 9380/1996 on 12-02-2004.

**Counsel for the Petitioner: SRI D.Y.L.N.CHARYULU**

**Counsel for the Respondent Nos.1 TO 4: AGP FOR ENDOWMENTS**

**Counsel for the Respondent No.5: SRI CH.SATISH KUMAR,  
SC FOR ENDOWMENT**

**Counsel for the Respondent No.6: --**

**The Court made the following: ORDER**

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA  
AT HYDERABAD**

**HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUREPALLI NANDA**

**WRIT PETITION No.22685 OF 2026**

**DATE: 15.07.2026**

**Between :**

Kandadi Anji Reddy

... **Petitioner**

**A ND**

The State of Telangana,  
Rep. by its Principal Secretary,  
Endowment Department,  
Secretariat Building, Hyderabad  
and 5 others

... **Respondents**

**ORDER**

**Heard Sri D.Y.N.L.N. Charyulu, learned counsel  
appearing on behalf of the petitioner, learned  
Assistant Government Pleader for Endowments,  
appearing on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 4 and Sri  
Ch. Satish Kumar, learned Standing Counsel for  
Endowment, appearing on behalf of respondent No.5.**

**2. The petitioner approached the Court seeking prayer as under:**

"...to issue writ, or writs, order or orders, direction, more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS by declaring the action of the Respondent No.2 in not passing orders on Petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026 who implement the proceedings in R.C. No.35/SRSLT/96 dated 19.04.1996 in view of the dismissal of Writ Petition No. 9380/1996 by constituting managing committee to 5<sup>th</sup> Respondent Temple for better and smooth running of a Temple as illegal arbitrary and violation of principles of natural justice and consequently direct the Respondent No.2 to pass orders on Petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026 and constitute a managing committee to the 5<sup>th</sup> Respondent Temple and pass...".

**3. The case of the petitioner, in brief, as per the averments made in the affidavit filed by the petitioner in support of the present Writ Petition is as under:-**

Pursuant to the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court abolishing hereditary rights under the provisions of the A.P. Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987, the competent authorities had issued proceedings informing the founder family members

about the abolition of such rights. Although the proceedings dated 19.04.1996 were challenged in W.P. No.9380 of 1996, the said writ petition was dismissed for default on 12.02.2004 and the order attained finality. Despite the same, the petitioner contends that the respondent authorities have failed to implement the said proceedings by constituting a lawful Managing Committee for the temple and, instead, have continued to permit certain founder family members to manage the affairs of the temple by suppressing material facts and misusing the temple administration. Aggrieved by the inaction of the authorities despite the petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026, the present writ petition has been filed seeking a writ of *Mandamus* declaring such inaction as illegal, arbitrary and violative of the provisions of the Endowments Act and the principles of natural justice, with a consequential direction to constitute a duly authorized Managing Committee for the temple.

**PERUSED THE RECORD:**

**DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION:**

**4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner mainly puts forth the following submissions:**

(i) The petitioner vide detailed representation dated 29.06.2026 addressed to the respondent No.2 herein requested the respondent No.2 to implement the proceedings vide R.C. No.35/SRLST/96, dated 19.04.1996 and constitute a Committee to Sri Ramalingeshwara Swamy Devasthanam, Keesaragutta, Keesara Medchal-Malkajgiri District for the development of the temple in the interest of justice.

(ii) The petitioner vide the said representation dated 29.06.2026 sought implementation of the orders of the Apex Court dated 17.01.1996 passed in W.P. (C) 713 of 1987 in view of the fact that Apex Court vide its Judgment abolished the rights of hereditary trusteeship, founder family and hereditary Archakatvam. Petitioner seeks consideration of the grievance of the petitioner as put forth vide petitioner's detailed representation dated 29.06.2026 addressed to the respondent No.2 herein.

**Based on the aforesaid submissions, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that the petitioner is entitled to the relief as prayed for in the present writ petition.**

**5. Learned Assistant Government Pleader appearing on behalf of the respondents fairly submits that the respondent No.2 may be directed to consider the grievance of the petitioner as put forth *vide* petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026 and pass appropriate orders, in accordance to law, within a reasonable period.**

**6. A bare perusal of the record indicates the acknowledgement of the representation of the petitioner dated 29.06.2026 addressed to the respondent No.2 herein on 29.06.2026 itself and duly considering the orders of the Apex Court dated 17.01.1996 passed in W.P.(C) No.713 of 1987, this Court opines that petitioner is entitled for consideration of petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026 by the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent herein in accordance to law.**

**7. Taking into consideration :**

**(a) The aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case,**

**(b) The submissions made by the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Civil Supplies, appearing on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 4,**

**(c) The contents of the petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026 addressed to the respondent No.2 herein with a request to initiate appropriate steps to constitute a Committee to Sri Ramalingeshwara Swamy Devasthanam, Keesaragutta, Keesara Medchal-Malkajgiri District for the development of the temple,**

**(d) The order of the Apex Court dated 17.01.1996 passed in W.P. (C) No.713 of 1987,**

**(e) The order of this Court dated 12.02.2004 passed in W.P. No.9380 of 1996,**

(f) The discussion and conclusion as arrived at paragraph Nos.4 and 5 of the present order,

The writ petition is disposed of directing respondent No.2 herein to consider the grievance of the petitioner as put forth vide petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026 addressed to the respondent No.2 seeking to constitute a Committee to Sri Ramalingeshwara Swamy Devasthanam, Kesaragutta, Keesara Medchal-Malkajgiri District duly taking into consideration the orders of this Court dated 12.02.2004 passed in W.P. No.9380 of 1996 and also the proceedings dated 19.04.1996 vide R.C. No.35/SRLST/96, dated 1996 and also the Judgment of the Apex Court dated 17.01.1990 passed in W.P. (C) No.713 of 1987, and pass appropriate orders in accordance to law, in conformity with principles of natural justice by providing an opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner, within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of the petitioner and also the respondent No.5- Sri Ramalingeshwara Swamy Temple, rep. by its

**Executive Officer, Keesaragutta at Keesara, Medchal-Malkajgiri District and duly communicate the decision to the petitioner herein on petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2026. There shall be no order as to costs.**

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

**SD/- AHMED ABDULLAH KHAN  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

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**SECTION OFFICER**

**To**

1. The Principal Secretary Endowment Department, Secretariat Building, Hyderabad, State of Telangana.
2. The Commissioner, Endowment Department, Boggulakunta, Hyderabad
3. The Deputy-Commissioner, Endowment Department, Boggulakunta, Hyderabad
4. The Assistant Commissioner, Endowment Department, Boggulakunta, Hyderabad
5. The Executive Officer, Sri Ramalingeshwara Swamy Temple, Keesaragutta, at Keesara, Medchal-Malkajgiri District
6. One CC to SRI D.Y.L.N.CHARYULU, Advocate [OPUC]
7. Two CCs to GP FOR ENDOWMENTS, High Court for the State of Telangana, at Hyderabad. [OUT]
8. One CC to SRI CH.SATISH KUMAR, SC FRO ENDOWMENT [OPUC]
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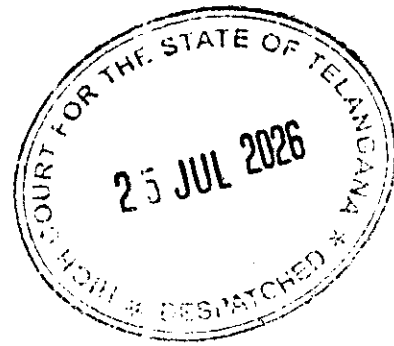
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**HIGH COURT**

**DATED: 15/07/2026**

**ORDER**  
**WP.No.22685 of 2026**



**DISPOSING OF THE WRIT PETITION**  
**WITHOUT COSTS.**

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25/7/26