

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE; AT HYDERABAD
FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AND THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH

WRIT PETITION No. 24834 of 2015

BETWEEN

Bodepudi Linga Rao and ors

...Petitioners

And

The State of Andhra Pradesh, rep. by its
Principal Secretary, Civil Supplies Department,
Secretariat, Hyderabad and ors.

...Respondents

DATE OF JUDGMENT PRONOUNCED: 07.08.2015.

SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL:

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE A. RAMALINGESWARA RAO

1. Whether reports of Local newspapers
may be allowed to see the judgments? YES
2. Whether the copies of judgments may be
marked to Law Reporters/Journals. NO
3. Whether Their Ladyship/Lordship wish to
see the fair copy of the Judgment ? NO.

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE A. RAMALINGESWARA RAO

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ORDER:

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Heard learned Counsel for the petitioners and learned Government Pleader for the respondents.

The petitioners are agriculturists. It appears that on 26.6.2015 the Vigilance and Enforcement Officials of Guntur inspected the house of the petitioners and seized 193 bags of Red Gram worth about Rs.9,05,170/- on the ground that the petitioners illegally stored the said stock without possessing any valid licence. Thereafter 6-A proceedings were initiated and the same are pending before the second respondent. The petitioners appear to have filed an application before the second respondent for release of the seized stock expressing their willingness and readiness to furnish bank guarantee. When no action was taken, the present Writ Petition is filed.

Since the petitioners are ready and willing to furnish the bank guarantee for the value of the seized goods, it is just and appropriate for the respondents to release the seized goods since their interest is being protected. In the circumstances, the second respondent is directed to release the seized stock on condition of the petitioners furnishing bank guarantee for a sum of Rs.9,05,170/- within fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Till such time, the respondents shall not dispose of the seized stock through open auction.

The Writ Petition is disposed of. Miscellaneous petitions pending consideration if any in the Writ Petition shall stand

closed in consequence. No order as to costs.

JUSTICE A. RAMALINGESWARA RAO

DATED 7th August, 2015.

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