

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE A.RAMALINGESWARA RAO

WRIT PETITION No.18274 of 2015

ORDER:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for the respondents.

The petitioner was appointed as a Fair Price Shop Dealer in respect of Shop No.605, at D.No.2-9-181/65, New Bharat Nagar, Uppal Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, and the authorization is valid up to 31.03.2015 and he applied for renewal of his fair price shop authorization before the 3rd respondent and the same is under consideration. While so, on 01.06.2015, the 4th respondent inspected the said shop and noticed that one G.Ravinder Reddy was conducting the fair price shop business instead of the authorized dealer Smt. A.Kalpana, the petitioner herein. The 4th respondent accordingly conducted a panchanama and noted the quantities. Based on the report of the 4th respondent dated 12.06.2015, the 3rd respondent passed the impugned order on 16.06.2015 suspending the authorization of the petitioner, on the ground that the shop is being run by a benami person by name G.Ravinder Reddy. Challenging the said order, the present writ petition is filed.

Now the ground alleged is that the shop is being run by a benami person instead of by the authorized dealer. The said allegation can be verified even without suspending the authorization of the petitioner. In the circumstances, the impugned order passed by the 3rd respondent to the extent of suspending the authorization of the petitioner is set aside, but however, giving liberty to the 3rd respondent to proceed against the petitioner with respect to the allegations and complete the enquiry within a period of three months from the date of

receipt of a copy of the order after duly observing the principles of natural justice and binding decisions of this Court.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. As a sequel, the miscellaneous petitions, if any pending in this writ petition, shall stand closed.

A.RAMALINGESWARA RAO, J

Date: 23.06.2015

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