

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

WRIT PETITION No.26816 of 2015

BETWEEN:

Puri Narender,
s/o. Raja Lingam

.. **Petitioner**

AND

The State of Telangana,
rep.by its Principal Secretary,
Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies,
A.P. Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad,
and 2 others.

.. **Respondents**

DATE OF JUDGMENT PRONOUNCED: 24.08.2015.

SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL:

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE A. RAMALINGESWARA RAO

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

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ORDER:

The petitioner is doing rice business under the name and style of
M/s. Raja Rajeswari Industries situated at Samshabad Mandal,
Hyderabad. While so, on 07.07.2015 the third respondent-Assistant

Supply Officer, Chevella Division inspected at Siddeswara Poultry Farm and found 50 quintals of rice meant for Public Distribution System and conducted panchanama. Alleging that the petitioner purchased PDS rice from the cardholders and kept at Siddeswara Poultry Farm, the third respondent seized the said 50 quintals of rice. Proceedings under Section 6-A of Essential Commodities Act were initiated against the petitioner. Based on the report of third respondent, a show cause notice was issued to the petitioner on 25.07.2015 by the second respondent-Joint Collector. The petitioner submitted his explanation on 06.08.2015.

Since the respondents are trying to dispose of the seized stock in the open market and not releasing the same to the petitioner, the present writ petition is filed.

In the show cause notice, the value of the seized stock is shown as Rs.65,000/-. The petitioner voluntarily agreed to pay the said amount through bank guarantee for release of the seized stock.

In the circumstances, the second respondent is directed to release the seized stock of the petitioner on furnishing bank guarantee for a sum of Rs.65,000/- within two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Miscellaneous Petitions, if any pending in this writ petition, shall stand closed.

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A. RAMALINGESWARA RAO, J

Date: 24.08.2015

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