

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

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WRIT PETITION No. 35818 of 2015

BETWEEN

M/s.G.I.Estates, rep. by its Proprietor

... PETITIONER

AND

The State of Andhra Pradesh, rep. by its Principal Secretary and others

...RESPONDENTS

Date of Order pronounced: 03.11.2015

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

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| 1. Whether Reporters of Local newspapers may be allowed to see the Judgments? | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether the copies of judgment may be marked to Law Reporters/Journals? | Yes/No |
| 3. Whether his Lordship wish to see the fair copy of the Judgment? | Yes/No |

ORDER:

The grievance of the petitioner is that no orders are being passed upon the stay petition filed by it in the revision petition preferred against the

demand notice dated 06.07.2015 issued by the Assistant Director of Mines and Geology, Guntur. Under the said demand notice, the petitioner was directed to pay normal seigniorage fee and ten times penalty. Admittedly, the revision petition filed by the petitioner is pending before the revisionary authority and the stay application filed by the petitioner therein is yet to receive consideration.

2. Statutory authorities vested with quasi-judicial powers must necessarily exercise the same with expedition so that the delay in that regard would not, by itself, give rise to an independent cause of action.

3. That being so, this writ petition is disposed of directing the first respondent to take steps for expeditious disposal of the stay petition filed by the petitioner in its revision. Pending disposal of the said stay petition, the respondent authorities shall not give effect to the demand notice dated 06.07.2015, which is the subject matter of the revision, or take any coercive measures in respect thereof.

Pending miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed in the light of this final order. No order as to costs.

JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

November 3, 2015

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