

**HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE VILAS V.AFZULPURKAR**

**W.P.No.967 of 2016**

**ORDER:**

Heard.

Aggrieved by the endorsement, dated 07-12-2015 passed by the 4<sup>th</sup> respondent rejecting the request of the petitioners for conversion of agricultural land into non-agricultural use, the present writ petition is filed.

It appears that the petitioners made an application to the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent on 03-12-2015 and the same was forwarded to the 4<sup>th</sup> respondent and under the impugned endorsement, the 4<sup>th</sup> respondent has rejected the petitioner's request for conversion and the same is questioned primarily on the ground that the 4<sup>th</sup> respondent is not the competent authority and under the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Agricultural Land (conversion for non-agricultural purposes) Act, 2006, the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent is the competent authority.

As the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent is the competent authority, the impugned endorsement passed by the 4<sup>th</sup> respondent is set aside and the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent is directed to consider the request of the petitioners and pass appropriate orders thereon expeditiously.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

Miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending shall stand closed.

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**VILAS V.AFZULPURKAR, J**

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