

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE A.V.SESHA SAI

Writ Petition No.12478 of 2017

ORDER:

This Writ Petition is filed for a *Mandamus* to declare the action of the respondents in erecting the 220 KV Multi Circuit lines through the lands of the petitioners without paying any compensation/damages to them as arbitrary and illegal.

According to the petitioners, they belong to Backward Class community having small extents of lands. It is further stated that pursuant to notification, vide Lr.No.CPT 240/SE-PM-I/Notification/A.P.Gazette/D.No.29/2012,dated 23.5.2012, issued by respondent No.4, the respondent authorities have laid 220 KV Multi Circuit lines in the agricultural lands of the petitioners situated in Survey Nos.153 to 155 and 157 to 160 of Qutbullapur Village, Hayathnagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District. The grievance of the petitioners in the present Writ Petition is non-payment of compensation to them.

In fact, the Deputy Collector and Tahsildar, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy District addressed a letter bearing Lr.No.C/529/2015, dated 25.6.2015, to the District Collector, Ranga Reddy District for payment of suitable compensation to the petitioners. Thereafter, the District Collector, Ranga Reddy District, vide letter, Lr.No.G1/677/2015, dated 22.11.2016,

asked the Superintending Engineer–respondent No.6 herein to examine the issue and take suitable action as per the Rules while enclosing the location sketch furnished by the Deputy Collector and Tahsildar, Hayathnagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District. It is the complaint of the petitioners that despite the above said correspondence, no action has been taken by the respondents for paying the compensation to them.

Having laid the 220 Multi Circuit Lines through the lands of the petitioners, there is no justification on the part of the respondents in not paying compensation to the petitioners.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and Mr. R.Vinod Reddy, learned Standing Counsel for the respondents, this Court is of the considered opinion that the ends of justice would be served if the respondents are directed to take consequential action pursuant to the letter, vide Lr.No.G1/677/2015, dated 22.11.2016, addressed by the District Collector, Ranga Reddy District to respondent No.6 for payment of compensation to the petitioners. This exercise shall be completed within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

Subject to the above directions, the Writ Petition is disposed of.

As a sequel, the Miscellaneous Petitions pending, if any,
shall stand disposed of.

JUSTICE A.V.SESHA SAI

10th April 2017

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