

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE A.V.SESHA SAI

WRIT PETITION No.13049 of 2018

ORDER:

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and Sri J.Srinivasa Rao, learned Standing Counsel for the respondent Nos.1 to 3.

The counsel representing the parties submit that the issue in the instant Writ Petition is covered by the common order dated 30th March, 2011 in W.P.No.11107 of 2009 and batch and further by following the order dated 30.03.2011, a few writ petitions are also disposed of.

The Writ Petition is disposed of by this order:

- a) The Regional Commissioner or any Officer authorised by him shall first issue a notice to the petitioner to decide whether the activity undertaken by the petitioner comes within the definition of Coal Mine. It shall be open to the petitioner to submit explanation;*
- b) In the event of the activity being declared as the one in coal mine, the employees shall be enrolled as members, subject to their fulfilment of the prescribed conditions, the respondents shall assign account numbers and issue cards; and the deductions shall be made with reference to the account numbers and cards so issued, periodically;*
- c) Till such time, no deductions shall be made, but if it is held that the petitioner is liable, at a later point of time, he shall be under obligation to pay the arrears also;*
- d) The amount deducted from the petitioner, so far, shall be kept in FDRs and the manner in which it shall be utilised shall be decided,*

depending upon the outcome of the exercise undertaken above; and

e) The authority of the coal mines provident fund shall ensure that it does not deduct any amount, without reference to a particular employee, who is admitted to the provident fund.

Consequently, Miscellaneous Petitions, if any, pending in this Writ Petition shall stand closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

16th April, 2018
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A.V.SESHA SAI,J

