

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE P. NAVEEN RAO

WRIT PETITION No.29080 of 2019

ORDER:

The petitioners claim to be the owners and possessors of the land in an extent of Ac.4.36 guntas in Sy.No.1333 situated in Karimnagar. They were granted 50B certificate under the AP (Telangana) Area Tenancy and Agricultural Lands Act, 1950. The land was converted into house plots. The petitioners claim to have applied for regularization of the house plots without obtaining conversion permission for converting the land from agricultural to non-agricultural purpose. Initially, the said application for regularization was rejected raising certain objections. The petitioners claim to have complied with the objections and submitted applications afresh. The applications were made in the year 2015 and they are still kept pending so far. Aggrieved thereby, this writ petition is filed.

2. On instructions, the learned standing counsel submits that since the respondent – corporation entertained a doubt as to the validity of the 50B certificate, the process of regularization was stopped for clarification from the Director of Town and Country Planning. The Director of Town and Country Planning replied stating that the subject matter pertains to the Revenue department. The Revenue department was also asked to clarify and the Revenue department has clarified stating that the 50B certificate issued to the petitioners is genuine.

3. It appears that the said clarification was also issued long ago. But, thereafter, no steps are taken and the learned standing counsel is unable to explain as to why so far no steps are taken. It appears that the decision not to act upon the applications despite obtaining clarification long ago appears to be not genuine. To give one more

chance, the respondent – Corporation is directed to process the applications submitted by the petitioners for regularization of the house plots and take a decision within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. The writ petition is disposed of. As a sequel, the miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

January 9, 2020
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P. NAVEEN RAO, J

