IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH::AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE TARLADA RAJASEKHAR RAO

WRIT PETITION NO: 3672 OF 2025

Between:

M/s. A.P. Granites (Anantha Padmanabha Granites), Sy.No.10/12, 13,14,11/1(P), Dheenabhandupuram Village, Meliaputi Mandal, Srikakulam District, Represented by its Partner: L. Srinivas.

...Petitioner

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary Department of Mines and Geology, Secretariat building at Velagapudi.
2. Divisional Mines and Geology Officer, Tekkali, Srikakulam District.

...Respondents

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, order or direction, especially one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the Demand Notice No. 1441A/G/2022 dt.24.01.2023 issued by Respondent No.2 without considering the reply given by the petitioner for the Show cause notice dt.12.08.2022 and thereby insisting the petitioner to pay an amount of Rs. 28,65,984/- towards penalty as arbitrary, illegal in violation of Principles of Natural Justice without jurisdiction and violative of Article 14 and 19 of Constitution of India and contrary to APMMC Rules, 1966 consequently set aside the same

IA NO: 1 OF 2025

Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to suspend the Demand Notice No. 144WG/2022 dt.24.01.2023 issued by Respondent No.2 pending disposal of WP

Counsel for the Petitioner: M/s. UTTARA LEGAL

Counsel for the Respondents No.1 & 2: GP FOR MINES AND GEOLOGY

The Court made the following: Order

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AND

The State Of Andhra Pradesh and Others ...**RESPONDENT(S)**

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.UTTARA LEGAL

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR MINES AND GEOLOGY

The Court made the following order:-

The Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking the following relief:

> ".....to issue a writ, order or direction, especially one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the Demand Notice No.1441VG/2022 dt.24.01.2023 issued by Respondent No.2 without considering the reply given by the petitioner for the Show cause notice dt.12.08.2022 and thereby insisting the petitioner to pay an amount of Rs.28,65,984/- towards penalty as arbitrary, illegal in violation of Principles of Natural Justice without jurisdiction and violative of Articles 14 and 19 of the Constitution of India and contrary to APMMC Rules,1966 consequently set aside the same and pass such other order or orders....."

2. The short grievance of the petitioner is that the petitioner is a partnership firm and granted a Mineral dealer license on 09.01.2020, by the Deputy Director of Mines and Geology, Srikakulam, for a period of 20 years. While things stood thus, the 2nd respondent issued show cause notice dated 25.07.2022 and the petitioner submitted his explanation on 12.09.2022. Without considering the said explanation, the respondents are insisting the petitioner to pay an amount of Rs.28,65,984/-. Aggrieved by the same, the present writ petition is filed.

3. Learned Assistant Government Pleader for Mines and Geology brought to the notice of this Court that assailing the same impugned

proceedings, the petitioner filed revision petition before the 1st respondent and the same is pending.

4. At this juncture, learned counsel for the petitioner requested this Court that it would suffice to direct the 1st respondent to dispose of the revision petition, in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible.

5. Acceding to the request made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the present Writ Petition is disposed of, directing the 1st respondent to dispose of the revision petition, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of two (02) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel thereto, miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

SD/- K. TATA RAO
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, State of Andhra Pradesh, Department of Mines and Geology, Secretariat building at Velagapudi.
2. Divisional Mines and Geology Officer, Tekkali, Srikakulam District.
3. One CC to M/s. UTTARA LEGAL Associative [OPUC]
4. Two CCs to GP FOR MINES AND GEOLOGY, High Court of Andhra Pradesh [OUT]
5. Three CD Copies

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HIGH COURT

DATED: 14/02/2025

ORDER

WP.No.3672 of 2025



DISPOSING THE WP
WITHOUT COSTS