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

TUESDAY ,THE SEVENTH DAY OF JANUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE TARLADA RAJASEKHAR RAO

WRIT PETITION NO: 334 OF 2025

Between:

1. B. Babulu, S/o B.Nukaraju Aged about 36 years, Occ Fisher Man, R/o Adusuvaripalle village, Gopavaram Mandal, Kadapa District.
2. Sri.S.Achyutha Rao, S/o,S.Sayaraju Aged about 42 years, Occ Fisher Man, R/o Brahmanapali village, Gopavaram Mandal, Kadapa District.
3. S.Sri.K.Appalaraj, S/o K.Kondaiah Aged about 48 years, R/o Adusuvaripalle village, Gopavaram Mandal, Kadapa District.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. The State Of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Department, Secretariat buildings, Velagapudi,Amaravathi.
2. The Commissioner of Fisheries, Fisheries Department, Vijayawada, NTR District.
3. The District Fisheries Officer, Kadapa District.
4. The Fisheries Development Officer, B. Matam, Kadapa 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 an appropriate writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of a writ of Mandamus declaring the action of respondents 3 and 4, in not acting upon the representations of the petitioners dated 16.10.2024, is arbitrary, illegal and violation of the Article 21 and 19(1) (g) of the Constitution of India and the principles of natural justice, consequently direct the respondents 3 and 4 to issue the Fishing License to the petitioners to do fishing activity in the Somasila Reservoir, Kadapa District.

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 direct respondents 3 and 4 to act upon the representations of the petitioners dated 16.10.2024 and issue a Fishing License to the petitioners in the Somasila Reservoir, Kadapa District pending disposal of the above writ petition.

Counsel for the Petitioner(s): SRI. P MALLIKHARJUNA RAO

Counsel for the Respondent Nos.1 to 3: GP FOR FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

The Court made the following: ORDER

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

Counsel for the Petitioner(S):

1.P MALLIKHARJUNA RAO

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.GP FOR FISHERIES

The Court made the following order:-

This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India for the following relief/s:-

> "...to issue an appropriate writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of a writ of Mandamus declaring the action of respondents 3 and 4, in not acting upon the representations of the petitioners' dated 16.10.2024, is arbitrary, illegal and violation of the Article 21 and 19(1)(g) of the Constitution of India and the principles of natural justice, consequently direct the respondents 3 and 4 to issue the Fishing License to the petitioners to do fishing activity in the Somasila Reservoir, Kadapa District, and pass such other order or orders..."

2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners and learned counsel for the respondents.

3. The petitioners herein made a representation dated 16.10.2024 to respondent Nos.3 and 4 requesting to renew the license given to them in the past. The respondents have not taken any decision till today. Aggrieved by the same, the present writ petition is filed seeking direction to the respondents to act upon the representation.

4. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the petitioners have approached to the office for getting new licenses in Somasila back waters for Fasali 1434 on 16.10.2024 and the department is intended to conduct the skill test to the petitioners and issue licenses to the qualified eligible genuine fishermen in the skill test, as per

G.O.Ms.No.776 Food and Agriculture (Fish.II) Department, dated: 31.12.1990 and G.O.Ms.No.186, Animal Husbandry & Fisheries, (Fish.II) 25.11.1995, in and around 10 Kms radius of Somasila back waters as per rules.

5. In view of said submissions, it appears that the respondents are intending to conduct skill test for admission into the society.

6. Therefore, the Writ Petition is disposed of, directing the respondents to conduct a skill test for the petitioners and proceed in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, and communicate the decision of issuance or non-issuance of license to the petitioners. There shall be no order as to costs.

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

Sd/- M. SRINIVAS
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Principal Secretary, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Department, Secretariat buildings, Velagapudi,Amaravathi.
2. The Commissioner of Fisheries, Fisheries Department, Vijayawada, NTR District.
3. The District Fisheries Officer, Kadapa District.
4. One CC to Sri. P Mallikharjuna Rao, Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to GP For Fisheries ,High Court Of Andhra Pradesh. [OUT]
6. **THREE CD Copies**

HIGH COURT

DATED:07/01/2025

ORDER

WP.No.334 of 2025



DISPOSING OF THE WP WITHOUT COSTS