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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI **[3396]**
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE 4th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

WRIT PETITION NO: 4941/2025

Between:

1. M/S. SRI VENKATESWARA SAW MILL AND TIMBER DEPOT,, REP. BY ITS PROPRIETOR SRI. PEDDIBOINA VENKATA MOHAN S/O. LATE VEERA SWAMY, AGE 66 YEARS, OCC- BUSINESS, R/O. GAVARAVARAM VILLAGE, KOYYALAGUDEM MANDAL, ELURU DISTRICT, ERSTWHILE WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP.BY ITS SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENT, FOREST, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
2. THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ARANYA BHAVAN, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.
3. THE CONSERVATOR OF FOREST, RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM CIRCLE, RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM, EAST GODAVARI DISTRICT.
4. THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, ELURU DISTRICT AT ELURU.
5. THE SUB DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, JANGAREDDYGUDEM, ELURU DISTRICT, ERSTWHILE WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT.
6. THE FOREST RANGE OFFICER, KANNAPURAM RANGE, KOYYALAGUDAM MANDAL, ELURU DISTRICT, ERSTWHILE WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT.

...RESPONDENT(S):

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 tomay be pleased to issue a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS declaring the Order in the form of Notice in Letter No.sawmills/2025/KNP, dt. 12.02.2025 issued by 6th respondent thereby directing the petitioner to cease working of petitioners sawmill, without considering his reply/objections dt. 13.02.2025, as illegal, irregular, arbitrarily, violative of principles of natural justice, without jurisdiction and offends Articles 14, 21 and 19 (1) (g) of Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents not to interfere with petitioners saw mill activity and pass

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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 may be pleased to suspend the operation of Order in the form of Notice in Letter No.sawmills/2025/KNP, dt. 12.02.2025 issued by 6*^ respondent and consequently direct respondents not to interfere in any manner with petitioner's saw mill activity, pending disposal of the main Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. NIMMAGADDA REVATHI

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR FORESTS

The Court made the following Order:

Heard MS. P. Haritha, the learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner and Ms. Kotha Veera Nagal Pallavi, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Forest appearing for the respondents.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that by virtue of interim order passed by this Court, the respondent authorities are not interfering with the petitioner's possession over the subject land and are complying with the orders passed by this Court. She would further submit that the petitioner has submitted his explanation before the respondent authorities and that the same is pending consideration. The learned Counsel for the petitioner would submit that the Writ Petition may be disposed of by giving direction to the respondent authorities to take appropriate decision over the matter in accordance with law.

3. In the light of the submissions made, the respondents are directed to examine the explanation dated 13.02.2025, offered by the petitioner and pass appropriate orders, in accordance with law and communicate the said decision to the petitioner. Till such time, respondents are directed not to take any coercive steps against the subject property.

4**.** Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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DR. VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA,J

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