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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI **[3327]**
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE 29th DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 28316/2026

Between:

1. MIR. MEDIDHI SAI SREEKAR REDDY,, S/O. MEDIDHI JANARDHAN REDDY, AGE 33 YEARS, D.NO 1-381, BALAJI NAGAR, NEAR SWAMIDASS SCHOOL ROAD, NELLORE, STONEHOUSE PET, NELLORE, ANDHRA PRADESH-524002.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, , REP BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF IRRIGATION, SECRETARIAT BUILDING, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR.522238
2. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, NELLORE CENTRAL DIVISION, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.524003
3. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS JOINT SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PLANNING, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.524003
4. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PLANNING, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT. 524003

...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 to issue an appropriate Writ Order or direction more particularly one

in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in withholding the payments of pending amounts of Rs. 14,91,343/ (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs, Ninety One thousand Three Hundred and Forty three Rupees only), even after finalizing the bills payable to the petitioner in relation to the works i.e. I. Removal of Weed from the bed of K.T.S Channel from KM 10.000 to KM 14.500 and Kovur tank system channels to supply water for Ist crop 2020-21 in kovur (M) of Agreement No. 255 O and M/DN/2020-21 Dated 05.11.2020 of (Rs. 5,72,285/-) II. Removal of Weed from the Bed of Vutu Kalavas for 1st Crop 2020-21 in Kovur (M) of Agreement No. 259 O and M/DN/2020-21 Dated 05.11.2020 of (Rs. 9,19,058/-) , and pass any other order or orders as this Honble Court may deem fit and proper in the interest of Justice.

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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 direct the respondents to forthwith consider releasing the amounts of Rs. 14,91,343/-(Rupees Fourteen Lakhs, Ninety One thousand Three Hundred and Forty three Rupees only) payable to the petitioner herein, pending disposal of the writ petition and pass such

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. DEVASRI ROSHAN KANCHARLA

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR IRRI AND CAD
2. GP FOR FINANCE PLANNING

The Court made the following:

O R D E R

This Writ Petition is filed seeking the following relief:

> "….to issue an appropriate Writ Order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in withholding the payments of pending amounts of Rs. 14,91,343/ (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs, Ninety One thousand Three Hundred and Forty three Rupees only), even after finalizing the bills payable to the petitioner in relation to the works i.e. I. Removal of Weed from the bed of K.T.S Channel from KM 10.000 to KM 14.500 and Kovur tank system channels to supply water for lst crop 2020-21 in kovur (M) of Agreement No. 255 O and M/DN/2020-21 Dated 05.11.2020 of (Rs. 5,72,285/-) II. Removal of Weed from the Bed of Vutu Kalavas for 1st Crop 2020-21 in Kovur (M) of Agreement No. 259 O and M/DN/2020-21 Dated 05.11.2020 of (Rs. 9,19,058/-) , and pass any other order or orders.…"

2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Irrigation and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Finance and Planning.

3. The petitioner claims to be a registered contractor engaged in the execution of civil works and that he was entrusted with various works of the Irrigation Department on a tender basis. It is the case of the petitioner that he was awarded a contract for execution of the works as mentioned above. It is the case of the petitioner that he executed the works to the satisfaction of the authorities concerned, and upon completion of the works, the respondent authorities measured the same and recorded the measurements in the Measurement Books.

4. It is the grievance of the petitioner that notwithstanding the completion of the works and its measurement by the competent authorities, the amount due towards the executed works has not been paid till date. According to the

petitioner, although the works were completed long back, the respondent authorities are not releasing the admitted amount payable to him. Aggrieved by the non-payment of the said amount, the petitioner filed the present Writ Petition.

5. Having regard to the fact that *in spite* of granting number of adjournments, the respondent authorities neither secured written instructions nor filed counter-affidavits, the respondent authorities are directed to verify and pay the admitted amount for the works executed by the petitioner within a period of Eight (8) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is made clear that the petitioner shall execute an indemnity bond to the effect that in case, if it is found that the petitioner has not executed the work, he would repay the amount so paid.

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

As a sequel thereto, the Interlocutory Applications, if any, pending in this Writ Petition, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

Date: 29.10.2026
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HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

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