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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI [3311]
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

Monday, the 26th day of October, 2026

Present

Honourable Ms. Justice B. S. Bhanumathi

Writ Petition No: 29458 of 2026

Between:

V. Venkata Ramesh Babu **... Petitioner**

and

The State of Andhra Pradesh and others **... Respondents**

Counsel for the petitioner:

1. Krishna Rao M.

Counsel for the respondents:

1. G.P. for Panchayat Raj Rural Dev.
2. G.P. for Finance Planning

The Court made the following:

ORDER:

This writ petition is filed to declare the action of the respondents particularly the respondents Nos. 6 & 7 for withholding funds from special development fund (S.D.F) Rupees 3.00 lakhs as illegal, with regard to the construction of Cycle Repair Works Skill Development Building, Jagannadhapuram Narasannapeta Mandal, Srikakulam District as illegal, and consequently direct the respondents to pay Rs.3.00 Lakhs to the petitioner along with interest @24%.

02. It is the contention of the petitioner that even though the respondents admit that the petitioner is entitled to the aforesaid amount, no payment has been made. The petitioner further contends that such non-payment of money is clearly arbitrary and high-handed, requiring interference of this Court.

03. On the other hand, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Gram Panchayat and Rural Development, while admitting about the claim of the petitioner, placed on record a copy of written instructions received from the respondent No. 7, vide Lr.No. W.P No.29458 / 2026, dated 10.10.2026, stating that bill for balance amount of Rs.2,61,033/- is pending due to insufficient budget and that amount would be paid to the petitioner after release of budget.

04. The learned counsel for the petitioner requested to pass appropriate order for the payment of the amount admitted in the written instructions.

05. In view of the submissions made on both sides, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the respondents to pay an amount of Rs.2,61,033/- (two lakh sixty one thousand thirty three rupees only) to the petitioner, along with the interest, if any, at the rate entitled, within

a period of one (1) month from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

It is open to the petitioner to agitate the claim for higher rate of interest, if any, payable by the respondents, before an appropriate forum.

There shall be no order as to costs.

Consequently, miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending in this writ petition shall stand closed.

JUSTICE B.S. BHANUMATHI

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