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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI [3330]
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

TUESDAY, THE 17th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE TARLADA RAJASEKHAR RAO

WRIT PETITION NO: 33225/2026

Between:

1. DINDI BABU RAO, S/O. APPA RAO, AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS, OCC. AGRICULTURE, R/O. D.NO.24-82-9/2, NEAR VANTILLU JUNCTION, BESIDES SHIVALAYAM CHINA GANTYADA, GAJUVAKA, VISAKHAPATNAM-530026.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, REVENUE (ENDOWMENTS) DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT BUILDINGS, VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522020.
2. THE COMMISSIONER, ENDOWMENTS DEPARTMENT, GOLLAPUDI, NTR DISTRICT-521225.
3. THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, ENDOWMENTS DEPARTMENT, TURNERS CHOULTRY MAIN ROAD, MAHARANIPETA, VISAKHAPATNAM-530002.
4. THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, ENDOWMENTS DEPARTMENT, VISAKHAPATNAM-530002.
5. SRI UMA RAMALINGESWARASWAMY TEMPLE, REP. BY ITS EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SANATH NAGAR, GAJUVAKA, VISAKHAPATNAM-530026.

...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 a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondent more particularly 3rd and 4th respondents herein in not taking steps against the representation of the petitioner dated 10.07.2024 as illegal, arbitrary, unconstitutional and violative of Article 14 of the Constitution of India and against the provisions of The Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987 and consequently direct the 3 rd and 4 th respondents to dispose off the representation of the petitioner dated 10.07.2024 in accordance with law

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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 3rd & 4th respondents to dispose of the representation of the petitioner dated 10.07.2024 in accordance with law, pending disposal of the writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. B S N NAIDU

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR ENDOWMENTS

The Court made the following:

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ORDER:

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

> "…to issue a writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondent more particularly 3rd and 4th respondents herein in not taking steps against the representation of the petitioner dated 10.07.2024 as illegal, arbitrary, unconstitutional and violative of Article 14 of the Constitution of India and against the provisions of The Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987 and consequently direct the 3rd and 4th respondents to dispose of the representation of the petitioner dated 10.07.2024 in accordance with law and to pass such other order or orders…"

2. The present Writ Petition is filed seeking to direct the respondents to address the petitioner's representation dated 10.07.2024, which was filed to recognize the petitioner as founder trustee of the 5th respondent – Temple.

3. Learned Assistant Government Pleader for Endowments appearing on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 4 furnished written instructions dated 14.11.2026. Upon careful examination of the instructions, it indicates that the petitioner is having an alternative remedy under Section 87(1)(h) of the Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987. It is further stated that neither the petitioner nor the family members of the petitioner donated the land for construction of the Temple at any point of time. Moreover, they have not performed Prathista Ceremony in the

Temple. Therefore, the petitioner is not entitled and prayed dismiss the Writ Petition.

4. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Endowments appearing on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 4 and Sri Chintapalli Srinivas, learned counsel for respondent No.5.

5. As the prayer is innocuous, this Court is of the opinion that keeping the Writ Petition pending and inviting counter-affidavit would service no purpose. Hence, with the consent of both the learned counsel, the present Writ Petition is disposed of at the admission stage, directing respondent No.4 to examine the petitioner's representation dated 10.07.2024, pass appropriate orders, in accordance with law, and communicate the decision to the petitioner within a period of four (04) weeks 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.

JUSTICE TARLADA RAJASEKHAR RAO

Date: 17.11.2026

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