



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

THURSDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

**THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE GANNAMANENI RAMAKRISHNA
PRASAD**

WRIT PETITION NO: 13999 OF 2026

Between:

1. KOPPOLU HANUMANTHA RAO, S/o. Rangayya, Aged about 70 years, Occ Retired Employee. R/o. Door No. 33-210-1-1, Ram Nagar, Revenue Ward No.6, Addanki, Prakasam District.

...Petitioner

AND

1. THE STATE OF AP, Rep. by its Principal Secretary, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Secretariat Buildings, Velagapudi, Amaravathi. 522237

2. Addanki Municipality, Represented by its Commissioner, Addanki, Prakasam District.523201

...Respondents

Counsel for the Petitioner: NAIDU SIVA RAMA KRISHNA

**Counsel for the Respondents: GP MUNICIPAL ADMN AND URBAN DEV
AP**

The Court made the following ORAL ORDER:

Heard Sri N. Siva Rama Krishna, learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner and Sri Gudapati Lakshmi Narayana, learned Standing Counsel for Municipalities for Rayalaseema, Nellore and Prakasam Districts.

2. Sri Gudapati Lakshmi Narayana, learned Standing Counsel for Municipalities for Rayalaseema, Nellore and Prakasam Districts has submitted the Written Instructions furnished by the Commissioner, Addanki Municipality, Addanki, dated Nil. Copy of the Written Instruction is also furnished to the learned Counsel for the Writ Petitioner. This Written Instruction is taken on record.

3. The Written Instruction indicates that the Municipal Commissioner has written a letter to the Writ Petitioner to remove the encroachment. The date of the letter and the details as to whether such letter had been received by the Writ Petitioner has not been stated in the Written Instruction. The Written Instructions furnished by the Commissioner, Addanki Municipality, Addanki are as vague as they can be. In any case, the Municipal Commissioner, through the Written Instructions would again undertake that the Commissioner would issue notices to all the encroachers including the Writ Petitioner.

4. Having noted the same, this Court is of the opinion that this Writ Petition can be disposed of by giving a direction to the Respondent Authorities to follow the due process of law by not only issuing notices but also by ensuring that such notices are received by the encroachers, including the Writ Petitioner, through the legal process, which includes pasting the notices on the wall of the residence of the Writ Petitioner besides sending them by Registered Post.

5. In this view of the matter, this Writ Petition is disposed of with a direction to the Respondent Authorities to follow the due process of law. Needless to state that before following the due process of law, the

Respondents are not entitled to interfere with the peaceful possession of the Writ Petitioner.

6. With these observations and directions, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No order as to costs.

7. Interlocutory Applications, if any, stand closed in terms of this order.

GANNAMANENI RAMAKRISHNA PRASAD, J

Dt: 07.05.2026

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