



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

[3207]

WEDNESDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

WRIT PETITION NO: 6972/2026

Between:

1. YELLAREDDYGARI PRANAY KUMAR REDDY, S/O.
YELLAREDDYGARI VISWESWARA REDDY, AGED ABOUT 33
YEARS, R/O. 2-18, OC COLONY, RAKETLA, ANANTAPUR,
ANDHRA PRADESH - 515822.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE UNION OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, SOUTH
BLOCK, NEW DELHI-110 001.
2. THE REGIONAL PASSPORT OFFICER, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA
PRADESH-521001.
3. THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, ANANTHAPUR,
ANANTHAPUR DISTRICT-515001

...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 appropriate writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 2nd Respondent in not renewing the passport of the Petitioner citing adverse Police Verification Report vide Letter Ref No. SCN/1053035072/25 dated 24.12.2025 as being illegal, arbitrary and contrary to the provisions of the Passport Act, 1967 and the Passport Rules, 1980 and also in violation of Article 21 of the Constitution of India and Consequently to direct the Respondent No.2 herein to renew the Passport of the Petitioner and pass

IA NO: 1 OF 2026

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 to direct the 2nd Respondent to renew the passport of the Petitioner, pending disposal of the Writ Petition and pass

IA NO: 2 OF 2026

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 to direct the 2nd Respondent to permit to travel the petitioner to aboard, pending disposal of the Writ Petition and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1.KALAKOTI SUNIL KUMAR

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1.A RAVINDRA BABU (CENTRAL GOVT COUNSEL)

The Court made the following:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND**WRIT PETITION No.6972 of 2026****ORDER: -**

It is brought to the notice of this Court by both the learned counsel that the subject matter of this writ petition is squarely covered by the common order passed in W.P.No.5769 of 2026 and batch, dated 07.04.2026, which is as follows:

“9. Accordingly, these writ petitions are allowed with the following direction:

The Passport Authorities to consider and pass appropriate orders on the applications submitted by the petitioners for issuance of passports or re-issuance of passports or renewal of passports, for a period of ten (10) years, under Section 10 of the Passports Act, 1967 and under Rule 12 of Passport Rules, 1980 and also the Gazette Notification issued by the Central Government vide GSR No.570(E), dated 25.08.1993, without reference to the criminal proceedings pending against the petitioners before the concerned Courts, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The petitioners shall submit an undertaking, along with an affidavit affirming that he/she will not leave the country during the pendency of the criminal proceedings, pending against them without permission of the courts having jurisdiction and that he/she will co-operate with concerned trial court in concluding the proceedings.
- (ii) On filing such an undertaking as well as affidavit, the concerned trial court shall issue a certified copy of the same within two (02) weeks.

(iii) The petitioners shall submit the certified copy of the aforesaid undertaking before the respondent-Passport Officer for issuance of passport or re-issuance or renewal of his/her passport.

(iv) The respondent-Passport Officer shall consider the said application in the light of the observations made by this Court herein as well as the contents of the undertaking given by the petitioners for issuance of passport or re-issuance or renewal of his/her passport in accordance with law, within two (02) weeks from the date of said application.

(v) On renewal of the passport, the petitioners shall deposit the original renewed Passport before the concerned trial court.

(vi) The petitioners shall file an application before the concerned trial Court seeking permission to travel abroad.

(vii) The concerned trial Court shall consider the same, in accordance with law.”

2. Hence, following the said orders, this writ petition is allowed on the same terms.

3. There shall be no order as to costs.

Miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

Date : 08.04.2026
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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

W.P.No.6972 of 2026

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