

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH :: AMARAVATI

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE B KRISHNA MOHAN

**WRIT PETITION Nos.1656, 1657, 1659, 1660, 1662,
1668, 1670, 1671, 1672, 1673, 1676, 1678, 1680 and
1691 of 2023**

COMMON ORDER:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue for the respondents.

2. The common grievance of the petitioners in all these writ petitions is that, the 4th respondent/Tahsildar issued the impugned notices dated 12.01.2023 calling the petitioners for production of the documents with respect to the proposed construction of the houses in the said lands of the petitioners. The impugned notice further shows that in default of production of the said documents, the action would be taken under the Andhra Pradesh Assigned Lands (Prohibition of Transfers) Act, 1977. Aggrieved by the same, these writ petitions are filed assailing the said notices of the 4th respondent/Tahsildar dated 12.01.2023.

3. On the other hand, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue appearing for the respondents relying upon the written instructions of the 3rd respondent/RDO

submits that, it appears that the petitioners have purchased the subject lands from the original assignees and in the case of any action is to be initiated against the subject lands, it would be by the 3rd respondent and as such, the respondent authorities would follow the due process in respect of the subject lands without reference to the impugned notices of the 4th respondent dated 12.01.2023.

4. In view of the above said facts and circumstances, the impugned notices of the Tahsildar dated 12.01.2023 are hereby set aside with a liberty to the 3rd respondent to look into the matter afresh with respect to the subject lands by following the due process of law.

5. It is needless to mention that, the 3rd respondent shall give due opportunity to the petitioners for the proposed enquiry and taking of action as contemplated under law for the subject lands.

6. Accordingly, these writ petitions are disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel, Miscellaneous Petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE B KRISHNA MOHAN

21.02.2023
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