

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH :: AMARAVATI
THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE NINALA JAYASURYA
WRIT PETITION No.4956 of 2023

Between:-

Yeddanapalli Rayanna

..... Petitioner

and

The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Principal Secretary,
Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department,
Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati, and others

..... Respondents

Counsel for the petitioner : Mr.Kambhampati Ramesh Babu

Counsel for respondents : The G.P. for Panchayat Raj &
Rural Development

The G.P. for Finance & Planning

Mr.N.Srihari, Standing Counsel

ORDER:

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj & Rural Development and learned Standing Counsel representing the 6th respondent.

2. The writ petition is filed seeking to declare the action of the respondents in not paying bill amounts towards the cost of material supplied and skilled & semi-skilled labour engaged by the petitioner for execution of the works in

question to a tune of Rs.99,982/- and Rs.23,775/-, as illegal, arbitrary, and for a consequential direction to the respondents to pay the above amounts forthwith along with interest.

3. At the time of considering the matter, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj placed a copy of the remarks dated 14.3.2023 received from the 5th respondent, from a reading of which, it would appear that an amount of Rs.1,23,757/- is due and payable to the petitioner in respect of the subject matter works and the bills in respect of the same are pending at Gram Panchayat level.

4. As there is no dispute with regard to the works executed by the petitioner and the amount due, it is deemed appropriate to dispose of the writ petition, with a direction to the respondents to arrange to pay the amounts referred to above to the petitioner after effecting statutory deduction, if any, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a

copy of this order. It is needless to say that the petitioner may claim interest, through appropriate proceedings.

5. With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of. No order as to costs. Miscellaneous petitions pending if any shall stand closed.

March 17, 2023
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JUSTICE NINALA JAYASURYA