

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI, IN COMPLIANCE TO HON'BLE NGT ORDER DATED APRIL 01, 2022.**

**ORIGINAL APPLICATION No.243 of 2022(PB)**

**IN THE MATTER OF:** Hon'ble NGT on its own motion based on the News Item Published in the Telugu Newspaper named Eenadu, Andhra Pradesh, dated 29.07.2021, titled "illegal sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh".

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Lr. No./OANo.243/APPCB/ ANM2022

Dt. 27.05.2022

From  
Sri. P.S, GIRISHA, I.A.S.,  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Annamayya District.

To  
The Hon'ble National Green Tribunal,  
Principal Bench, New Delhi  
E-mail: judicial-ngt@gov.in

Sir,

Sub: Orders of Hon'ble NGT in O.A. No. 243/2022, Dt. 01.04.2022 – Factual and Action Taken Report – Submitted - Reg.

Ref: Hon'ble NGT orders dt. 01.04.2022 in O.A. No. 243/2022.


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Kindly refer to the Hon'ble NGT order dt.01.04.2022 in O.A. No. 243/2022 directing the District Magistrate, to look into the allegation and furnish a factual and action taken report within two months.

In compliance to the Hon'ble NGT order, to submit the factual and action taken report, the joint committee inspection report of the areas in question is attached herewith for kind perusal.

Submitted for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

  
Collector & District Magistrate  
Annamayya District

Encl: Joint Committee Report

**REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE COMPRISED IN THE MATTER OF HON'BLE NGT O.A. NO. 243 OF 2022 BASED ON THE NEWS ITEM PUBLISHED IN THE TELUGU NEWSPAPER NAMED, EENADU, ANDHRA PRADESH EDITION DATED: 29TH JULY, 2021, TITLED "ILLEGAL SAND MINING IN PRAKASHAM AND KADAPA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH" SUBMITTED TO THE HON'BLE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI.**

**1.0 Preamble**

Hon'ble NGT has taken up O.A. No. 243 of 2022 on the basis of the News item published in the Telugu Newspaper named, Eenadu, Andhra Pradesh edition dated: 29th July, 2021, titled "illegal sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh". The Hon'ble NGT, New Delhi in its order dt. 01.04.2022, noted the content of news item that, "large scale of illegal mining of red sand is taking place in Vadapalli, Kumarapalli, Hasanapuram, Chitluru villages from government lands, M.I tanks and ponds in Ramapuram Mandalam, Kadapa District and Darshi, Konkanamitla and Pondili Mandalam of Prakasam District. Illegal mining is also taking place in the Musi Wagu canal from Gangapalam, bandiveligandla, Erra obnapallo, Rama chandrapuram, Rajampalli villages. The illegally mined sand is being sold in Donakonda, Podili, Marripudi, Kurichedu Mandals. Illegal mining is also reported in the Devavaram and Thimmaipalm from canals. The sand mafia is resorting to illegal mining in the night to avoid action. The Tripuranthakam village sand is illegally mined from hundreds of acres of governments lands, adjoining the forest areas. Every day hundreds of tractors of transporting the illegally mined sand, as a result ditches upto the extent of 20 feet can be seen in these government lands".

**2.0 Orders of the Hon'ble Tribunal dated 01.04.2022**

The Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Principal Zone, New Delhi, directed District Magistrates, Prakasham and Kadapa and Telangana State PCB look into the allegation and furnish a factual and action taken report within two months by e-mail at [judicial-ngt@gov.in](mailto:judicial-ngt@gov.in) preferably in the form of searchable PDF/ OCR Support PDF and not in the form of Image PDF. The State PCB will be the nodal agency for compliance. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-I)

In order to comply the Hon'ble NGT order, to furnish a factual and action taken report, the District Collector, Annamayya District, Constituted a Joint Committee with the following members to carryout inspection in the said areas and submit a factual and action taken report :

S.No	Name and Address	E-Mail ID
1	Sri. P. Venkata Reddy, Dy. Director of Mines & Geology, YSR District	ddmineskdp2@gmail.com
2	Sri K. Srinivasulu, S.E., WRD	se_kadapa@yahoo.co.in
3	Sri M. Ravi, Asst. Enforcement Supdt., S.E.B	dseoannamayya@gmail.com
4	Smt. K. Khajabi, Tahsildar, Ramapuram	tah.ramapuram@gamil.com
5	Sri. K. Javeed Basha, E.E., APPCB, RO, Kadapa	rokdp-ee1@appcb.gov.in
6	Sri. U.Y. Jaya Ramulu, SI, Ramapuram	siramapuram@gmail.com

### **3.0 Scope of Joint Committee:**

The Joint Committee has been constituted with the mandate to visit and inspect the sites with the following scope vide order dated 09.05.2022:

- Whether there is any illegal mining of Red sand/Gravel taking place in Vadapalli, Kummarapalli, Hasanapuram and Chitlur villages of from government lands, M.I tanks and ponds in Ramapuram Mandalam, Annamayya District.
- Whether any mined sand is being transported from the said areas.
- Whether any clearances, permissions and licenses as required, have been issued for excavation and transportation of soil from the said areas.
- Whether there are any ditches formed in the said areas.
- If there is any violation found, whether any action has been taken on excavation and transportation of soil from the said areas.



#### **4.0 Site Visit by the Joint Committee:**

The Joint Committee inspected the areas in question on 20.05.2022, as per the preliminary discussions to verify the contents of News item published in the Telugu Newspaper named, Eenadu, Andhra Pradesh edition dated: 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021, titled “illegal sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh”. The coordinates of the sites inspected are as follows:

1. Palannagaripalli Kunta, Chitluru - 14°08'31.2"N 78°45'11.6"E
2. Bandapalli - 14°07'53.4"N 78°46'16.4"E
3. Hasanapuram - 14°07'50.0"N 78°46'23.2"E
4. Kummarapalli - 14°07'53.0"N 78°44'03.5"E

Photographs of the sites visited are as follows:



Palannagaripalli kunta, Chitluru



Bandapalli



Hasanapuram



Kummarapalli





## **5.0 Observations of the Joint Committee**

1. Chitluru: The committee observed that, Palannagaripalli Kunta of Chitluru village is inundated with water and there was no excavation or transportation of soil found at the water filled tank.
2. Bandapalli: The eastern part of the hillock comes under Bandapalli village of Ramapuram mandal. The committee found Gravel to have been excavated from the hillock as pits were observed in the area. Caution Boards have been erected on the hillock to stop illegal excavation and transportation of Gravel from the hillock. During inspection there was no excavation or transportation of material observed from the area. The quantity of Gravel excavated and transported is required to be assessed by the Department of Mines & Geology along with the Revenue Department.
3. Hasanapuram: The western part of the hillock comes under Hasanapuram village of Ramapuram mandal. The committee found Gravel to have been excavated from the hillock as pits were observed in the area. Caution Boards have been erected on the hillock to stop illegal excavation and transportation of Gravel from the hillock. The quantity of Gravel excavated and transported is required to be assessed by the Department of Mines & Geology along with the Revenue Department.
4. Kummarapalli: The committee found the Kummarapalli tank to be inundated with water and ordinary earth is available at the shore of the tank. Farmers have dug the ordinary earth from the shore of the tank and used for cultivation. JCB bearing No.AP04 AY 7681 was found working in this area digging the Earth for transportation without permission from the concerned authorities. The JCB was seized and handed over to the SHO, Ramapuram for safe custody.

## **6.0 Facts of the areas in question furnished by concerned Departments :**

### **6.1. Revenue Department**

Based on the News item published in the Telugu Newspaper named, Eenadu, Andhra Pradesh edition dated: 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2021, titled “Yerramatti.....Kollagotti” (illegal transportation of red sand in Ramapuram Mandal , Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh), the then Tahsildar conducted enquiry of the areas in question through Mandal Revenue Inspector and Mandal Surveyor and submitted a report to the District Collector, YSR District, on 31.07.2021, informing that, the said land is spread across two village borders viz., Hasanapuram and Bandapalli. As per RSR the land in the Sy No.932 Ac. 24.64 cents classified as waste (Gayalu) Sy.No. 958 Ac. 15.16 cents which are classified A.W of Hasanapuram village and in the Sy No. 5 Ac. 19.69 cents and Sy. Nos. 256 Ac 4.54 cents of Bandapalli village which are classified as Govt. Lands (Dotted Land), some extent in the enjoyment of pattadars and some extent in the form of Hillock (Gutta) in the Sy No. 932 of Hasanapuram village and the Sy no. 5 of Bandapalli village Sy No. 958 of Hasanapuram village and 256 of Bandapalli village is completely in the form of Hillock (Gutta). As per webland some of the persons are entered as DKT pattadars and remaining extent is noted as Govt. Land.

It is further mentioned in the report dt 31.07.2021, that some of the realtors are illicitly digging and transporting Red Gravel to their layout plots at Rayachoty Mandal without getting any permission from the concerned authorities. It is reported that, during inspection of Revenue officials on 30.07.2021, there was no illicit digging or transportation of Red Gravel from the above areas. Five Caution Boards were erected by the Revenue officials, to stop illicit digging and transportation of Red Gravel and to prevent entry into the Government lands.

It is also reported that, the Revenue Officials stopped illicit transportation of soil from Kummarapalli village in response to the complaint from the villagers of Kummarapalli.

In Palannagaripalli kunta of Chitluru village, as the pond is filled with water, there is no possibility of digging and transportation of soil. (Copy of Tahsildar report is enclosed as Annexure-II)

### **6.2. Water Resources Department**

Based on the News item published in the Telugu Newspaper named, Eenadu, Andhra Pradesh edition dated: 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021, titled “illegal sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District,

Andhra Pradesh” in the villages of Hasanapuram, Bandapalli, Chitluru and Kummarapalli of Ramapuram Mandal, the Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub – Division, Rayachoty, inspected the tanks in the said villages and informed that the tanks were partly (30%) filled with water and there was no illicit digging or transport of soil from the tanks.

The Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub – Division, Rayachoty, also informed that there is no possibility of transportation of soil from Palannagaripalli Kunta in Chitluru, Kummarapalli Kunta as the tanks are filled (30%) with water. The Tahsildar, Ramapuram was requested to issue instructions to the Revenue Officials, to be vigilant regarding illicit transportation of soil from the tanks. As per GO Ms. No. 74 Water Resources (CADA) Dept, dt. 14.10.2019, permits the farmers to lift silt from the Minor Irrigation tanks, however the Water Resource Department has not issued any permission for lifting and transportation of silt from the tanks in the areas in question. (Copy of WRD report enclosed as Annexure-III)

### **6.3. AP Pollution Control Board**

The Pollution Control Board issues consent to mining units only after obtaining prior Environmental Clearance from SEIAA, Mining Plan Approval and Mining Lease from the Department of Mines & Geology and no such consents have been issued by the Board, to the areas in question. Earlier, the Regional Office, APPCB, Kadapa, requested the Dy. Director Mines & Geology, Department of Mines & Geology, Kadapa, vide Lr. dt. 10.05.2021, not to issue permits to mining units till the units obtain Environmental Clearance and valid Consent for Operation (CFO) of the Board.

The Palannagaripalli Kunta in Chitlur village and Kummarapalli Kunta are Minor Irrigation tanks, and the Water Resource Department, as per the G.O. Ms. No. 74 dt. 14.10.2019, permits the farmers to lift silt from the Minor Irrigation tanks, subject to providing details of land where silt would be spread, with due certification from concerned Revenue Inspector.

### **6.4. Department of Mines & Geology**

Permissions have not been granted by the Department of Mines & Geology, for excavation and transportation of Gravel from Sy.Nos.5 & 256 of Bandapalli and Sy.Nos.932 & 958 of Hasnapuram Villages of the said areas and in minor irrigation tanks located in Chitluru and Kumarapalli Villages. The lands located in Sy.No. 5 & 256 of Bandapalli and Sy.Nos.932 & 958 of Hasnapuram Villages are Government lands as such lies under the custodian of the Tahsildar, Ramapuram Mandal and the minor irrigation tanks are under the custodian of the




SE/EE, Minor Irrigation Department, Annamayya District. The excavations of Gravel in these areas have not come to the notice of the Department of Mines & Geology.

In Kummarapalli, JCB bearing No.AP04 AY 7681 was found working in this area digging the earth for transportation without permission from the concerned authorities. About 12 Cbm of ordinary earth was found to be excavated as per the workings observed in the area. The JCB was seized and handed over to the SHO, Ramapuram for safe custody.


**7.0 Action taken on violations if any:**

The Revenue Department has taken measures to stop illegal excavation and transportation of Gravel from the hillocks of Bandapalli and Hasanapuram, by erecting caution boards with warning of legal action against any illegal excavation and transportation from the hillock as they are Government lands.

**Signatures of the Joint Committee members**




Sri. P Venkateswara Reddy  
Dy. Director of Mines & Geology, Kadapa,  
YSR District




Sri K. Venkata Ramaiah,  
Executive Engineer, Water Resource  
Department, Kadapa, YSR District




Sri M. Ravi,  
Asst. Enforcement Supdt., S.E.B,  
Annamayya District



Smt. K. Khajabi, Tahsildar,  
Ramapuram (M), Annamayya District



Sri. K. Javeed Basha,  
Environmental Engineer,  
APPCB, Regional Office, Kadapa



Sri U. Y. Jaya Ramulu, SI,  
Ramapuram (M), Annamayya District

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL  
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI**

(By Video Conferencing)

Original Application No. 243/2022

In re: News item published in the Telugu Newspaper named, Eenadu, Andhra Pradesh edition dated: 29th July, 2021, titled “illegal sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh”

Date of hearing: 01.04.2022

**CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE ADARSH KUMAR GOEL, CHAIRPERSON  
HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR AGARWAL, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON’BLE MS. JUSTICE PUSHPA SATHYANARAYANA, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON’BLE PROF. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER**

**ORDER**

Proceedings have been initiated on the basis of captioned media report to the effect that large scale of illegal mining of red sand is taking place in Vadapalli, Kumarapalli, Hasanapuram, Chitluru villages from government lands, M.I tanks and ponds in Ramapuram Mandalam, Kadapa District and Darshi, Konkanamitla and Pondili Mandalam of Prakasam District. Illegal mining is also taking place in the Musi Wagu canal from Gangapalam, bandiveligandla, Erra obnapallo, Ramachandrapuram, Rajampalli villages. The illegally mined sand is being sold in Donakonda, Podili, Marripudi, Kurichedu Mandals. Illegal mining is also reported in the Devavaram and Thimmaipalm from canals. The sand mafia is resorting to illegal mining in the night to avoid action. The Tripuranthakam village sand is illegally mined from hundreds of acres of governments lands, adjoining the forest areas. Every day hundreds of tractors of transporting the illegally mined sand, as a result ditches upto the extent of 20 feet can be seen in these government lands.

Let District Magistrates, Prakasham and Kadapa and Telangana State PCB look into the allegation and furnish a factual and action taken report within two months by e-mail at [judicial-ngt@gov.in](mailto:judicial-ngt@gov.in) preferably in the form of searchable PDF/ OCR Support PDF and not in the form of Image PDF. The State PCB will be the nodal agency for compliance.

List for further consideration on 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2022.

A copy of this order along with the newspaper report may be forwarded to District Magistrates, Prakasham and Kadapa and Telangana State PCB by e-mail for compliance.

Adarsh Kumar Goel, CP

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Pushpa Sathyanarayana, JM

Prof. A. Senthil Vel, EM

April 01, 2022  
Original Application No. 243/2022  
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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

From  
Sri. D. Venkata Ramaiah, M. Tech.,  
Executive Engineer, W.R.D.,  
Kadapa Division, Kadapa.

To  
The Superintending Engineer,  
Irrigation Circle,  
Kadapa.

Lr. No. TW/ ATO/ 424<sup>M</sup> dated. 21-05-2022.

Sir,

Sub: - Minor Irrigation – YSR District – News item published in the Telugu newspaper named Eenadu AP – Edition dated 29.07.2021 titled illegal sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh – Report submitted – Reg.

Ref: - 1. Superintending Engineer's memo No. M.ETS/Pollution board/ 328KDP,  
dt. 18.05.2022.  
2. DEE/ISD/Rayachoty, Lr No. 141<sup>E</sup>, DT: - 18.05.2022.

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With reference to the Superintending Engineer's memo 1<sup>st</sup> cited, I submit that, the news published in the EENADU Andhra Pradesh edition Dt. 29.07.2021 titled "Illegal Sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh" in the villages of Hasanapuram, Bandapalli, Chitloor and Kummara palli of Ramapuram Mandal.

In this regard I submit that, the Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub – Division, Rayachoty has inspected the Chityloor and Kummarapalli M.I. tanks in the above said villages and observed that the tanks were partly (30%) filled with water and no illicit Transport of soil was happened.

As per GOMs. No. 74 Water Resources (CADA) Dept., dt. 14.10.2019, the Water Resource Department having powers to permit for lifting of silt in the Minor Irrigation tanks to the farmers. Further I submit that, farmers are not submitted any requisition to the Irrigation authorities for lifting of silt in the above said tanks and hence no permissions were issued to the farmers to lift the silt in the Chitloor and Kummarapalli of Ramapuram Minor Irrigation Tanks by this Department.

This is submitted for favour of information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,  
Sd/- D. Venkata Ramaiah,  
Executive Engineer, W.R.D.,  
Kadapa Division, Kadapa.

(PTO)



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Copy communicated to the Executive Engineer & WRO, Annamayya District for information and taking further necessary action.

Copy to Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub – Division, Rayachoty for information and necessary action.

✓ Copy to communicate to the Environmental Engineer, AP pollution control Board, Regional Office, Kadapa.

Sd/- D. Venkata Ramaiah,  
Executive Engineer, W.R.D.,  
Kadapa Division, Kadapa.

//t.c.f.b.o.//

Deputy Executive Engineer,  
Irrigation Sub-Division, Rayachoty

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**ABSTRACT**

Water Resources Department - De-silting of Minor Irrigation Tanks -  
Permission to the Private people for excavation and transportation of silt  
at their own cost - Amendment - Orders - Issued.

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**WATER RESOURCES(CADA)DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.MS.No. 74**

**Dated: 14-10-2019**  
**Read the following:-**

1. G.O.Ms.No.20, Planning (VII) Dept., dated 26-09-2014.
2. G.O.Ms.No.70, I&CAD (WRG-GRC)Dept., dated 04-12-2014.
3. G.O.Rt.No.798, I&CAD (CAD.1)Dept., dated 05-12-2014.
4. Govt. Memo No.10444/CAD.1/2014-12, dated 11-02-2015.
5. Govt. Memo No.10444/CAD.1/2014-15, dated 18-02-2015.
6. Govt. Memo No.10444/CAD.1/2014-16, dated 18-02-2015
7. G.O.Ms.No.29, I&C (Mines-IV)Dept., dated 01-04-2015.
8. From the Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation, Vijayawada, Lr.No.DCE-I/  
OT2-T2/Neeru-Chettu/De-silting of tanks, dt.17.04.2018.
9. G.O.Ms.No.40, Water Resources(CADA)Dept., dated:21.05.2018

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**ORDER:**

The following amendments is issued to the orders issued in  
G.O.Ms.No.40, Water Resources(CADA)Department, dated:21.05.2018.

**AMENDMENT**

- i) In para.7 of the G.O. 9<sup>th</sup> read above(G.O.Ms.No.40, Water  
Resources(CADA)Dept., dated:21.05.2018), the word 'Private  
people' is read as 'Farmers'.
- ii) Farmers asking for silt only, will be given subject to providing details  
of land where silt would be spread, with due certification from  
concerned Revenue Inspector.
- iii) Any commercial use of silt would be severely punishable including  
seizing of conveyance vehicle and fine of Rs.1,00,000/- or ten times  
the cost of silt as per current SSR whichever is more.
- iv) These orders shall be valid for one year and a decision would be  
taken for continuation after thorough review if required.

(PTO)

O/o The Tahsildar,  
Ramapuram Mandal,  
Annamayya District.  
Dated:21.05.2022

### INSPECTION REPORT

As per the letter Reference No.Lr.No.O.A No. 243/PCB/KDP/2022,Dated : 11.05.2022 of the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Kadapa, I, along with the Team of below mentioned officers were visited the field in the Sy Nos 932 Ac. 24.64 and 958 Ac. 15.16 of Hasanapuram Village and the Sy Nos. 5 Ac.19.69 cents; Sy No 256 Ac. 4.54 cents of Bandapalli Village on 20.05.2022 to submit the Factual Report along with Action Taken Report , for which the complaint was made by the Eenadu Daily News Paper the caption ఎర్రమట్టి కొల్లగొట్ట . The details of \_visited officers are noted below.

1. Smt K. Khajabi, Tahsildar, Ramapuram
2. Sri M. Ravi, Assistant Enforcement Superidentant.
3. Sri K Javeed Basha,EE, A.P. Pollution Control Board.
4. Sri B Venkata Ramaiah ,EE , Minor Irrigation
5. Sri U.V Jayaramulu,S.A Ramapuram.
6. Sri T Rajasekhar, Assistant Geologist, O/o The A.D,Mines & Geology.

All of the above mentioned officers of the concerned Departments have conducted Joint Inspection on 20.05.2022, and conducted enquiry upon the Adverse Press Clipping Report in the caption ఎర్రమట్టి కొల్లగొట్ట in the above mentioned Survey numbers of Hasanapuram and Bandapalli Villages of Ramapuram Mandal . At the time of field inspection , no such illicit digging / Transporting were running . The then Tahsildar , Ramapuram have also reported to the District Collector, Kadapa in her letter Ref No. A/122/2021, Dated:30.07.2021 , that there is no illicit transporting is on going and also reported that, as a precautionary she have also erected five Caution Boards, as the land belongs to Government and no one has the right to enter. As per the Adverse Press Clipping, the then Tahsildar, Ramapuram have responded immediately and stopped the illicit transportation and erected the Caution Boards . The report was also submitted by the then Tahsildar in the above Reference to the District Collector, Kadapa .

As per the letter Ref No.Lr.No.O.A No. 243/PCB/KDP/ 2022, Dated: 11.05.2022 of the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Kadapa, we, i.e., the above mentioned Six Departmental Officers have visited the above land and noticed that there is no any illicit Digging and transportation were occurred , and also at the time of Adverse Press Clipping News , the then Tahsildar , Ramapuram have also taken action immediately and stopped the illicit Transportation and also erected the Six Caution Boards as a precautionary.

*K. Khajabi*  
TAHSILDAR  
RAMAPURAM MANDAL  
ANNAMAYYA DISTRICT

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

From  
Smt S Mahaboob Chand.,  
Tahsildar,  
Ramapuram Mandal.

To  
The District Collector,  
Kadapa.

//Through the Sub Collector, Kadapa//  
Ref.No:A/ 122 /2021, Date:31.07.2021.

Sub:- Press Clippings - Kadapa Division - Ramapuram Mandal -  
Hasanapuram & Bandapalli Villages - Illicit transportation of Red Gravel  
- In the Sy Nos. 932 Ac. 24.64 cents & Sy Nos. 958 Ac. 15.16 cents of  
Hasanapuram village and In the Sy Nos.5 Ac. 19.69 cents and Sy Nos.  
256 Ac. 4.54 cents of Bandapalli village which are classified as  
Govt.Land(Dotted Land)-an adverse news was published in the caption  
"ఎర్రమట్టి ... కొల్లగొట్ట" In the Eenadu Daily News Paper on 30.07.2021  
enquiry conducted- stopped the digging of soil and Illicit transportation-  
erected the Caution Boards- Report - Submitted - Regarding.

- Ref:- 1. An adverse News was published in the "Eenadu " daily News paper  
in the caption "ఎర్రమట్టి ... కొల్లగొట్ట" On 30.07.2021.  
2. Report of the Mandala Revenue Inspector, Ramapuram, Dated  
31.07.2021.  
3. Report of the Mandala Surveyor, Ramapuram, Dated 31.07.2021

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I invite kind attention to the above subject and references cited, an adverse  
news was published in the " Eenadu " daily News paper On 30.07.2021, in the caption  
"ఎర్రమట్టి ... కొల్లగొట్ట" in the Villages Hasanapuram, Bandapalli, Chitluru and Kummaraipalli  
of Ramapuram Mandal.

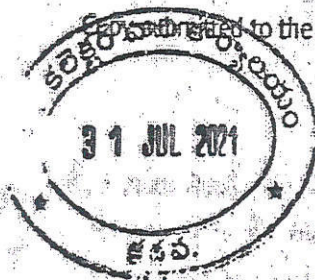
In this regard, it is to submit that, before one day of press clipping publication, I  
have received the telephonic information from the Eenadu News Paper Reporter,  
Accordingly I have instructed Mandala Revenue Inspector, Mandala Surveyor,  
Ramapuram along with Village Revenue Officer to conduct enquiry and submit the  
report that the said land is spread across two village borders viz., Hasanapuram and  
Bandapalli. As per RSR the land in the Sy No 932Ac. 24.64 cents Classified as Waste  
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In the above lands some of the Residents are Illicitly Digging and transporting the Red Gravel to their Layout Plots at Rayachoty Mandal without getting any prior permission from the concerned authorities. They have reported that at the time of field inspection on 30.07.2021, no such vehicles found in the field and also illicit digging of soil is also not found. To stop the Illicit Digging and transportation of Red Gravel, We have erected Five Caution Boards as the lands were Government and no one has the right to enter. As per the adverse news, in Kummerapalli village the villagers have given complaint to the concerned Village Revenue Officer before ten days and as per my instructions concerned VRO immediately responded and stopped the illicit transportation and there is no any kind of irregular transportation of soil till today. In another village i.e., Chiduru (Palannagaripalli Kurta) there is no possibility of transportation of soil due to the pond is filled with water. I have also issued Memos to the concerned Village Revenue Officers and Village Revenue Assistants, who have not intimated the issue and not taken the suitable precautionary measures. Finally, I further submit that we will be very cautious regarding illegal transporters of soil in the Mandal, if any such things happen in future I will book criminal cases against the defaulters.

Yours Faithfully

Tahsildar

Ramapuram



For forwarding to the District Collector, Kadapa for favour of kind information.





Submitted:-

I submit that the adverse news news was published in the caption "ಎಲ್ಲಮಟ್ಟ ... ಕೃಷಿ" in the Eenadu Daily News Paper on 30.07.2021 of Hasanapuram, Bandapalli, Chitluru and Kummarapalli Villages and Illicit transportation of Red Gravel in the Sy Nos. 932 Ac. 24.64 cents & Sy Nos. 958 Ac. 15.16 cents of Hasanapuram village and in the Sy Nos. 5 Ac. 19.69 cents and Sy Nos. 256 Ac. 4.54 cents of Bandapalli village. For this the Tahsildar Ramapuram has instructed that enquiry on it and submit the detailed report.

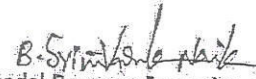
In this regard, I have enquired along with the Village Revenue Officers of Bandapalli, Hasanapuram, Chitluru and Kummarapalli villages and Mandal Surveyor and submit that the Tahsildar Ramapuram, the said land is spread across two village boarders viz., Hasanapuram and Bandapalli. As per RSR the land in the Sy No 932 Ac. 24.64 cents Classified as Waste (Gayalu ) Sy No. 958 Ac. 15.16 cents which are Classified A.W of Hasanapuram village ; and in the Sy No.5 Ac. 19.69 cents and Sy Nos. 256 Ac. 4.54 cents of Bandapalli village which are classified as Govt.Lands (Dotted Land). Some extent in the enjoyment of pattadars and some extent in the form of Hillock (Gutta) in the Sy No 932 of Hasanapuram village and the Sy no 5 of Bandapalli village. Sy No.958 of Hasanapuram village and 256 of Bandapalli village is completely in the form of Hillock (Gutta). As per webland some of the persons are entered as DKT Pattadars and remaining extent is noted as Govt. Land.

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Village Revenue Officer

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To  
The Tahsildar  
Ramapuram

  
Mandal Revenue Inspector  
Ramapuram



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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

From  
Sri. D. Venkata Ramaiah, M. Tech.,  
Executive Engineer, W.R.D.,  
Kadapa Division, Kadapa.

To  
The Superintending Engineer,  
Irrigation Circle,  
Kadapa.

Lr. No. TW/ ATO/ 424<sup>M</sup> dated. 21-05-2022.

Sir,

Sub: - Minor Irrigation – YSR District – News item published in the Telugu newspaper named Eenadu AP – Edition dated 29.07.2021 titled illegal sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh – Report submitted – Reg.

Ref: - 1. Superintending Engineer's memo No. M.ETS/Pollution board/ 328KDP,  
dt. 18.05.2022.  
2. DEE/ISD/Rayachoty, Lr No. 141<sup>E</sup>, DT: - 18.05.2022.

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With reference to the Superintending Engineer's memo 1<sup>st</sup> cited, I submit that, the news published in the EENADU Andhra Pradesh edition Dt. 29.07.2021 titled "Illegal Sand mining in Prakasham and Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh" in the villages of Hasanapuram, Bandapalli, Chitloor and Kummara palli of Ramapuram Mandal.

In this regard I submit that, the Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub – Division, Rayachoty has inspected the Chityloor and Kummarapalli M.I. tanks in the above said villages and observed that the tanks were partly (30%) filled with water and no illicit Transport of soil was happened.

As per GOMs. No. 74 Water Resources (CADA) Dept., dt. 14.10.2019, the Water Resource Department having powers to permit for lifting of silt in the Minor Irrigation tanks to the farmers. Further I submit that, farmers are not submitted any requisition to the Irrigation authorities for lifting of silt in the above said tanks and hence no permissions were issued to the farmers to lift the silt in the Chitloor and Kummarapalli of Ramapuram Minor Irrigation Tanks by this Department.

This is submitted for favour of information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,  
Sd/- D. Venkata Ramaiah,  
Executive Engineer, W.R.D.,  
Kadapa Division, Kadapa.

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Copy communicated to the Executive Engineer & WRO, Annamayya District for information and taking further necessary action.

Copy to Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub – Division, Rayachoty for information and necessary action.

✓ Copy to communicate to the Environmental Engineer, AP pollution control Board, Regional Office, Kadapa.

Sd/- D. Venkata Ramaiah,  
Executive Engineer, W.R.D.,  
Kadapa Division, Kadapa.

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Deputy Executive Engineer,  
Irrigation Sub-Division, Rayachoty

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**ABSTRACT**

Water Resources Department - De-silting of Minor Irrigation Tanks -  
Permission to the Private people for excavation and transportation of silt  
at their own cost - Amendment - Orders - Issued.

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**WATER RESOURCES(CADA)DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.MS.No. 74**

**Dated: 14-10-2019**  
**Read the following:-**

1. G.O.Ms.No.20, Planning (VII) Dept., dated 26-09-2014.
2. G.O.Ms.No.70, I&CAD (WRG-GRC)Dept., dated 04-12-2014.
3. G.O.Rt.No.798, I&CAD (CAD.1)Dept., dated 05-12-2014.
4. Govt. Memo No.10444/CAD.1/2014-12, dated 11-02-2015.
5. Govt. Memo No.10444/CAD.1/2014-15, dated 18-02-2015.
6. Govt. Memo No.10444/CAD.1/2014-16, dated 18-02-2015
7. G.O.Ms.No.29, I&C (Mines-IV)Dept., dated 01-04-2015.
8. From the Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation, Vijayawada, Lr.No.DCE-I/  
OT2-T2/Neeru-Chettu/De-silting of tanks, dt.17.04.2018.
9. G.O.Ms.No.40, Water Resources(CADA)Dept., dated:21.05.2018

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**ORDER:**

The following amendments is issued to the orders issued in  
G.O.Ms.No.40, Water Resources(CADA)Department, dated:21.05.2018.

**AMENDMENT**

- i) In para.7 of the G.O. 9<sup>th</sup> read above(G.O.Ms.No.40, Water  
Resources(CADA)Dept., dated:21.05.2018), the word 'Private  
people' is read as 'Farmers'.
- ii) Farmers asking for silt only, will be given subject to providing details  
of land where silt would be spread, with due certification from  
concerned Revenue Inspector.
- iii) Any commercial use of silt would be severely punishable including  
seizing of conveyance vehicle and fine of Rs.1,00,000/- or ten times  
the cost of silt as per current SSR whichever is more.
- iv) These orders shall be valid for one year and a decision would be  
taken for continuation after thorough review if required.

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- v) If Government permits any commercial use of Silt/Ordinary Earth shall attract Seigniorage Fee as per Schedule-I under Rule 10 of APMCM Rules, 1966.
2. The Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation, Vijayawada shall take necessary action accordingly.
3. This order is issued with the concurrence of Finance(FMU-WR-I) Department vide their U.O.No.47027/137/FMU-WR-I/2018(Computer No.462884), dated:29.07.2019.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**ADITYA NATH DAS**  
**SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation, Vijayawada.  
The Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation), Water Resources Dept., Vijayawada.  
The Engineer-in-Chief (IW/AW), Water Resources Dept., Vijayawada.  
All the District Collectors.  
The Director, Ground Water & Water Audit Department, Hanumanpet,  
Vijayawada.  
The Commissioner, Rural Development, Suryaraopeta, Vijayawada.  
The Principal Chief Conservator, Forest Department, Aranya Bhavan,  
Pedakakani(M), Guntur.  
The Secretary, Industries & Commerce Department.  
The Director, Agriculture Department, Guntur.

Copy to

PS to Hon'ble Minister, Water Resources Department.  
PS to the Spl.Chief Secretary, Water Resources Department.  
PS to Additional Secretary to Hon'ble C.M.  
The Finance(FMU-WRD.I)Department.  
Sf/Sc.





**//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER**



The Committee proceeded to irrigation tank at Kumarapalli Village of Ramapuram Mandal to verify the illegal excavation of Earth. At the time of inspection, the Committee observed one (1) JCB working in this area digging the Earth for transportation without permission from the concerned authority. In this connection, I have seized the JCB bearing No.AP04 AY 7681 with help of the Revenue officials and handed over to the SHO, Ramapuram for safe custody until further orders. Further, it is submitted that at about 12 Cbm of Ordinary Earth excavated in the pond as per the workings observed in the area. The acknowledgment from the SHO, Ramapuram is herewith enclosed for taking further necessary action.

As per records, this office has not granted any permission to transportation of Gravel to any persons in Sy.Nos.5 & 256 of Bandapalli and Sy.Nos.932 & 958 of Hasnapuram Villages for excavation of Gravel in this area and in minor irrigation tanks located in Chitluru and Kumarapalli Villages. The lands located in Sy.No. 5 & 256 of Bandapalli and Sy.Nos.932 & 958 of Hasnapuram Villages are Government lands as such lies under the custodian of the Tahsildar, Ramapuram Mandal and the minor irrigation tanks are under the custodian of the SE/EE, Minor Irrigation Department, Annamayya District. The excavations of Gravel in these areas have not come to the notice of this department. The photographs taken at the places mentioned above by the joint inspection committee is herewith enclosing for kind perusal and necessary action in the matter.

	
Sy.Nos.932 & 958 of Hasnapuram	Sy.Nos.5 & 256 of Bandapalli
	
Minor Irrigation tank at Chitlur	Minor Irrigation tank at Kumarapalli

  
(T.RAJASEKHAR)

Asst. Geologist  
O/o ADM&G, Kadapa  
On deputation from O/o ADM&G,  
Vijayawada