

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH  
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

TUESDAY, THE THIRTY FIRST DAY OF AUGUST  
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.ESWARAIAH**

**WRIT PETITION NO : 11653 of 2004**

Between:

Mr. N.V. Ramana Murthy, S/o. Late Sri. N. Suryanarayana Murthy, R/o. Flat No. 203,  
Venkateshwara Towers, Akkayapalem, Vishakhapatnam - 500 016.

**..... PETITIONER**

AND

- 1.Chairman & Managing Director, Syndicate Bank,  
Head Office: Manipal, Karnataka.
- 2.Deputy General Manager, Syndicate Bank,  
Head Office: Manipal, Karnataka.
- 3.The Superintendent of Police, Central Bureau of Investigation,  
MVP Colony, Vishakahapatnam.

**.....RESPONDENTS**

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a Writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ declaring the action of the Respondents in keeping his services under suspension as illegal, improper and arbitrary and direct the Respondents to re-instate him with all back wages, increments, benefits including fringe benefits etc.

**Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.N.PANDIAH**

**Counsel for the Respondent No.1 & 2: Sri A.Krishnam Raju**

**Counsel for the Respondent No.3: MR.S.SADASIVA REDDY**

**The Court made the following:**

**ORDER:**

The petitioner questions the suspension order dated 30.10.2003 issued by the respondents 1 & 2 – Syndicate Bank.

As the petitioner has committed serious lapses, involving fraudulent aspects, which are detrimental to the interest of the Bank, he was placed under suspension, pending enquiry. As the suspension of the services of the petitioner is pending enquiry, which is not as a measure of punishment, but it is only to facilitate the enquiry and the respondents 1 & 2-bank is paying subsisting allowances to the petitioner during the suspension period, according to the rules. Hence, I do not see any illegality in placing the services of the petitioner under suspension and the said order cannot be set aside.

The Writ Petition is, accordingly, dismissed. No costs. However, the respondents are directed to complete the enquiry as expeditiously as possible within a period of six months from the date of receipt of this order.

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31.08.2004

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