IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE GOPALAKRISHNA TAMADA

Writ Petition No.7545 of 1998

Dated: 31-01-2007

Between:

1. Deekonda Rajaiah, s/o Sammaiah, aged about 61 years, Agriculturist, r/o Tadicharla village and Mandal, Karimnagar District and another.

... Petitioners

and

1. The Joint Collector, Karimnagar District, Karimnagar and 2 others.

... Respondents

ORDER:

This petition is filed seeking *mandamus* declaring the action of the first respondent in not suspending the proceedings bearing No.A/1084/96, dated 21-08-1997 passed by the second respondent pending disposal of the appeal on the file of the first respondent, as illegal and violative of Article 14 of the Constitution of India.

2. It is the case of the petitioners that the second respondent issued proceedings bearing No.A/1084/96, dated 21-08-1997 directing the third respondent to put the protected tenants in possession of the lands as per the ownership certificates issued under Section 39-B of the Andhra Pradesh (Telangana Area) Tenancy and Agricultural Lands Act, 1950.

It is stated that against the said proceedings, the petitioners filed an appeal being A5/8069/97 before the first respondent, contending that their forefathers are also the protected tenants. According to the petitioners they sought suspension of the impugned proceedings, but the first respondent has not suspended the said proceedings.

- 3. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
- 4. This Court, on 23-03-1998 while issuing *Rule nisi*, granted status quo in WPMP.No.9192 of 1998.
- 5. Having regard to the fact that as against the impugned proceedings an appeal is pending before the first respondent, this Court is of the view that it is suffice to direct the first respondent to dispose of the appeal within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.
- 6. With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

JUSTICE GOPALAKRISHNA TAMADA

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