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High Court for the State of Telangana at Hyderabad

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LEGAL NOTICE

By Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due

Date: 11.03.2026

To
Smt. Shailaja Ramaiyer, IAS
Principal Secretary to Government,
Endowments Department.

Under instructions from and on behalf of my client Mr. Kancharla Venkataramana, I issue the following registered legal notice.

1. That my client instituted WP No. 6335 of 2022 Seeking the following prayer:

To issue Writ, order or direction preferably Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondents in distorting the History and Age Old traditions of the Sri Seetha Ramachandraswamy Vaari Devasthanam Bhadrachalam by improperly addressing the Lord of the Bhadrachalam Temple as Ramanarayana and thereby reciting the inappropriate Pravara Invocation of the illustrious Ancestors and Gothram (Clan/Original Ancestor) of the Principal Deities of the Bhadrachalam Temple during the performance of the Annual Celestial Wedding Kalyanam of Lord Sri Rama and Sita on Sri Rama Navami which forms essential religious practice as illegal arbitrary and violative of Articles 14 21 25 and 26 of the Constitution of India and opposed to the intentions of the Founder of the Temple Sri Bhakta Ramadas and consequently direct the Respondents to preserve the sanctity of the Original names of the Principal Deities of the Bhadrachalam Temple and further direct the Respondent No 4 to recite the historically correct Pravara and Gothramas stated in para 12a of



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the affidavit of Lord Rama and Goddess Sita in their Human Incarnation during the Kalyanam and pass such further order or orders as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the interest of justice.

2. That the Hon'ble High Court for the State of Telangana, by order dated 15.04.2024 passed in W.P. No. 6335 of 2022 and batch, after hearing the parties was pleased to direct the Principal Secretary, Endowments Department, to constitute a Committee comprising five (5) experts well versed in the spiritual customs, traditions and the Sthalapuram of the Bhadrachalam Temple, to examine how the Kalyanotsavam had been performed historically, particularly with regard to the Gothram and Pravara recited prior to 2012 and thereafter, and to clarify all the issues raised in the writ petitions. The Hon'ble Court further directed that the said Committee shall submit a detailed report to the Principal Secretary, who shall in turn examine the same and file a detailed affidavit before the Hon'ble Court for further adjudication, within the time stipulated in the said order.
3. That in accordance with such directions you have constituted a committee comprising of the following experts:
 - i. Dr. VedantamRajagopala Chakravarthi, Retired Lecturer
 - ii. Dr. Rejeti Venkata Venugopala Acharyulu, Advisor to Government of Andhra Pradesh for Pancharatragama.
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4. That, pursuant to the aforesaid directions of the Hon'ble High Court, the said Committee undertook a detailed exercise, examined the relevant materials and traditions relating to the performance of the Kalyanotsavam at Sri Seetha Ramachandraswamy Temple, Bhadrachalam, and ultimately submitted its report dated 23.06.2024 to the Government.
5. That the Pradhana Acharya of the Temple preferred Writ Appeal No. 338 of 2024 before a Division Bench of the Hon'ble High Court challenging the order dated 15.04.2024. During the pendency of the said appeal, the Hon'ble Division Bench, inter alia, directed the State Government not to take further steps in pursuance of the report submitted by the Committee. The said Writ Appeal ultimately came to be dismissed as not maintainable on 27.02.2025, thereby resulting in the order dated 15.04.2024 passed by the learned Single Judge attaining finality.
6. That, consequent upon the dismissal of the Writ Appeal and the cessation of the interim protection granted therein, you were required, in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble High Court, to place the Committee's report before the Court along with a detailed affidavit. However, in complete disregard of the binding directions of the Hon'ble High Court, you have failed to place the report before the Court or file the requisite affidavit, thereby frustrating the implementation of the order passed by the Hon'ble Court.
7. Thereupon, proceedings under the Contempt of Court Act were instituted in CC No. 3780 of 2025. In spite of service of notice and /or being aware of the institution of contempt proceedings you brazenly decided not to tender the report in court with an affidavit with an intent to continue to flout the order of the Honourable High Court with impunity.

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8. That, you deliberately and with an intent to continue to disregard orders of the Honourable Court have not taken steps to engage a counsel or contest the case and continued your indifferent and disrespectful attitude which is totally unbecoming of an officer of the State Government and a Senior Officer in that. My client is totally baffled by the total lack of respect towards the High Court.
 9. That, the issue in the Writ Petition is one that concerns the religious faith and belief of lakhs of people who worship Sri Ramachandra Swamy of Bhadrachalam, Telangana in the State and throughout the country. It is a matter of regret that this seems to have no effect upon you. May I bring to your kind notice that the Government of Telangana was not aggrieved by the order dt.15/04/2024 in WP No. 6335 of 2022 and in implementation thereof appointed a committee. The appeal was filed by the Pradhana Acharya and it was dismissed.
 10. That, in these circumstances the Government of Telangana can have no objection to comply with orders of the Honourable High Court. Hence your obdurate and unreasonable conduct in continued defiance of the Order of the Honourable High Court which attained finality is wholly unacceptable.
 11. That, this may give raise to doubt about dispassionate and uninterested conduct that is required to be maintained by an Officer of the State of your status.
 12. That the, WP No. 6335 of 2022 came to be listed on 16/02/2026 and the Honourable Court directed filing of affidavit by you. Again, it was listed on 26/02/2026 and once again the Honourable Court directed filing of an affidavit by you. Sadly, both times you chose to remain indifferently silent.

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