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Decided on : 05-08-2026
Duration : 0 years, 4 months, 30 days

IN THE COURT OF THE PRL. CIVIL JUDGE, AND JUDICIAL
MAGISTRATE FIRST CLASS AT HONNALI.

PRESENT : Sri. Manjunath Banakar., B.A., LL.B (Spl)
Prl. Civil Judge and JMFC., Honnali.

Criminal Miscellaneous No. 177/2026

Dated 5th August 2026

PETITIONERS: 1. K.H. Halaswamy
S/o Huchcha Hanumanthappa
Aged about 59 years,
R/o Kumblur, Honnali Taluk,
Davanagere District.

2. Rudrappa K.H.
S/o Huchcha Hanumanthappa
Aged about 82 years,
R/o #146, 1st Block, Kumblur,
Davanagere District.

3. Halasiddamma C/o A.N. Kotrappa
Aged about 79 years,
R/o 5th Main, 4th Cross, H.S. Extension,
Harihara Taluk, Davanagere District.

4. Jayamma C/o H. Hanumanthappa
Aged about 78 years,
R/o Villa No.18, TMR Blossoms,
Kogilu Main Road, Srinivaspura,
Lakshmiganapathi Nagar, Yelahanka,
Bangalore North

5. K.H. Hemappa
S/o Huchcha Hanumanthappa
Aged about 73 years,
R/o K.H.B. Colony,
Gandhinagar, Sagar,
Shivamogga District.

6. K.H. Sannahanumanthappa
S/o Huchcha Hanumanthappa
Aged about 69 years,

R/o 7th Cross, Right Side, Ragigudda
Shanthinagar, Shivamogga

7. K.S. Srikanth
S/o Huchcha Hanumanthappa
Aged about 67 years,
R/o Shettyhalli, Amtekoppa,
Shikaripura Taluk

8. Vinoda K.H. W/o A.D. Rudrappa
Aged about 60 years,
R/o 125, Ganesh Krupa, 1st Cross,
Nehru Nagar, Sagar, Shivamogga District.

9. Lalitha K.H.
W/o C.M. Chandrashekarappa
Aged about 62 years,
R/o 108, Soraba Road,
Near Shivashakthi Temple Mavali,
Mavali, Shivamogga District.

10. Raju K.H.
S/o Huchcha Hanumanthappa

Aged about 58 years,
R/o Sri. Krishna Krupa, 4th Cross,
Sagar Nursing Home Down,
Achutha Rao Layout,
Shivamogga town and taluk.

(Rep.By Sri. RH., Advocate.)

VS

RESPONDENT The Tahasildar,
The Registrar of Birth and Death,
Taluk office, Honnali taluk,
Davanagere district.
(Exparte)

:: O R D E R ::

The Petitioners have filed this petition U/s 13(3) of Registration of Birth and Deaths Act 1969 for issuance of directions to the respondent to make an entry of date of death of deceased Sanna Halamma W/o Late Huchcha Hanumanthappa .

2. In the petition, the petitioners have averred that, they are the legal heirs of deceased Sanna Halamma W/o Late Huchcha Hanumanthappa, who died on 14.05.2021 at

Kumbaluru village, Honnali taluk. Further, the petitioners sought death certificate of deceased from respondent but, he has given non-availability certificate on 03.03.2023. Further, it is averred that, the failure for non intimating the death of deceased to the respondent is a bonafide one and not an intentional. Now the death certificate of deceased is required them to get change of khata from the concerned authority. As such, they prayed to allow this petition by issuance of directions to the respondent to make necessary entries and issuance of death certificate of deceased Sanna Halamma W/o Late Huchcha Hanumanthappa dated 14.05.2021.

3. The respondent has not turned up, despite of receipt of notice to him. Hence placed exparte.

4. In order to substantiate the case, petitioner No.6 himself got examined as PW.1 and got marked documents as per Ex.P.1 to 14 and closed his side.

5. Based on the materials on record, the following points are arise for my consideration:

1. Whether the petitioners are entitled for the relief as sought for?
2. What order?

6. Heard the arguments on behalf of petitioners.

7. Perused the materials on record, my findings to the above points are as follows:

Point No.1 : In the Affirmative.

Point No.2 : As per final order for the following:

: REASONS :

8. Point No.1 : The petitioners have asserted that, Sanna Halamma W/o Late Huchcha Hanumanthappa was died on 14.05.2021. However, her death was not intimated to the concerned authority. As such, they prays to issue direction to the respondent for making necessary entries and issuance of death certificate of deceased.

9. In order to prove the case, the petitioner No.6 stepped into the witness box got examined himself as PW.1 by filing an affidavit evidence. The affidavit evidence of PW.1 is nothing but a replica of petition averments. In support of the oral testimony the PW.1 has relied upon Ex.P.1 to 14. Ex.P.1 is the non-availability certificate issued by Tahsildar, Honnali, Ex.P.2 is report issued by the Village Accountant, Ex.P.3 is notarized copy of Genealogical Tree, Ex.P.4 to 13 are the

Notarized copies of Aadhar cards of petitioners, Ex.P.14 is paper publication.

10. Inspite of paper publication, nobody has filed objections to this petition. The oral testimony of PW.1 and documentary evidence adduced by him is remained unchallenged. So, there is no contrary evidence on record. In absence of that, the testimony of PW.1 needs to be accepted and moreover, the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka has ruled in a decision reported in 2004 KCCR 2674, the lordship has held that, the contents of the affidavit i.e.,on oath should be considered as a higher probative value, in absence of contrary to the averments. There is no objection from anybody, inspite of paper publication. Hence, I do not found any grounds to decline the relief and moreover, it will not cause prejudice to the respondent. Therefore, it is just and necessary to meet the ends of justice to allow this petition. Hence, I answered the point no.1 in the affirmative.

11. Point No.2: For the reasons discussed above, this court proceed to pass the following:

//ORDER//

The petition filed U/Sec. 13(3) of
Registration of Birth and Death Act,
1969 is hereby allowed.

The respondent is directed to make an entry
of date of death of Sanna Halamma W/o Late
Huchcha Hanumanthappa i.e. 14.05.2021 in the
death register and issue death certificate to the
petitioners by collecting necessary fee from
them.

No order as to cost.

(Directly dictated to the Stenographer on computer and typed by her, corrected by me
and then pronounced in the Open Court on 5th day of August 2026.)

(Manjunath Banakar.)
Prl. Civil Judge & JMFC.,
Honnali.

ANNEXURE

1. List of witnesses examined for Petitioners:
PW.1 : K.H. Sannahanumanthappa.
2. List of documents exhibited for Petitioners:
Ex.P.1 : Non-availability certificate issued by the
Tahsildar, Honnali.
Ex.P.2 : Report issued by the Village Accountant
Ex.P.3 : Notarized copy of genealogical tree.
Ex.P.4 to 13 : Notarized copies of Aadhar cards of
petitioners

Ex.P.14 : Paper publication.

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(Order pronounced in the open court vide
separate order)

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