



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R DEVDAS

WRIT PETITION NO. 6528 OF 2026 (KLR-LG)

BETWEEN:

1. SRI NAGARAJ H.G.
S/O LATE Y.H. GURUSHANTHAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 70 YEARS,
RESIDENT OF THONTHALAPURA VILLAGE,
YESLUR HOBLI, SAKALESHPURA TALUK,
HASSAN DISTRICT - 573 137.
2. SMT. MOHINI M.P.
W/O PRAKASH M.S.
D/O LATE Y.H. GURUSHANTHAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 76 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO.11-25/1,
COLLAGE ROAD,
NEAR RAMAMANDIRA, MADIKERI,
KODAGU - 571 201.
3. SMT. KUSUMA
W/O LOKESH,
D/O LATE Y.H. GURUSHANTHAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 66 YEARS,
RESIDENT OF YESLUR VILLAGE,
YESLUR HOBLI,
SAKALESHPURA TALUK,
HASSAN DISTRICT - 573 137.
4. SMT. LATHA K.P.
W/O PRASAD K.V.
D/O LATE Y.H. GURUSHANTHAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 64 YEARS,
RESIDENT OF CHANGADIHALLI VILLAGE,





YESLUR HOBLI,
SAKALESHPURA TALUK,
HASSAN DISTRICT - 573 137.

5. SMT. REKHA J.B.
W/O BASAVARAJA J.N.
D/O LATE Y.H. GURUSHANTHAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS,
RESIDENT AT NO.25, HOSA BADAVANE,
OPP: POLICE STATION, JAVGAL,
ARASIKERE TALUK,
HASSAN DISTRICT - 573 125.
6. SRI. RAVI H.G.
S/O LATE Y.H. GURUSHANTHAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 62 YEARS,
RESIDENT OF THONTHALAPURA VILLAGE,
YESLUR HOBLI,
SAKALESHPURA TALUK,
HASSAN DISTRICT - 573 137.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. GIRISHA H.M., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
M.S.BUILDING,
BENGALURU - 560 001.
2. THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
HASSAN DISTRICT,
HASSAN - 573 201.
3. THE SPL. LAND ACQUISITION OFFICER
HEMAVATHI RESERVOIR PROJECT,
DC OFFICE BUILDING,
HASSAN - 573 201.



4. THE TAHSILDAR
SAKALESH PURA TALUK,
HASSAN DISTRICT - 573 134.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. SHAMANTH NAIK, HCGP)

THIS WP IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO DIRECTING THE RESPONDENT NO.3 AND THE OTHER RESPONDENTS TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION OF THE PETITIONER NO.1 DATED 25.10.2017 AND HIS FINAL REPRESENTATION DATED 10.02.2026 WHICH ARE PRODUCED AT ANNEXURES-'E' AND 'F' RESPECTIVELY FOR GRANT OF SCHEDULE PROPERTY TO HIM WITHIN THE TIME LIMITS THAT MAY BE FIXED BY THIS HON'BLE COURT.

THIS PETITION COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R DEVDAS

ORAL ORDER

Learned High Court Government Pleader takes notice for all the respondents.

2. The grievance of the petitioners is that respondent No.3-Special Land Acquisition Officer, Hemavathi Reservoir Project has failed to consider the application filed by the petitioners seeking grant of alternative land in terms of the



scheme proposed by the Government for displaced persons. Learned counsel submits that in terms of the application filed by the petitioners, and at the request of respondent No.3, the Tahsildar, Sakaleshpura Taluk has furnished information in terms of Annexure-G to the Special Land Acquisition Officer identifying lands for allotment in favour of the petitioner. However, respondent No.3 has not proceeded to act on the recommendation made by the Tahsildar and no land has been allotted to the petitioners although several decades have elapsed after the petitioner has lost his land.

3. Having regard to the contentions raised by the petitioners, this Court is of the considered opinion that respondent No.3-Special Land Acquisition Officer, Hemavathi Reservoir Project is required to act expeditiously to clear the application filed by the petitioner No.1 and allot them alternative land in terms of the scheme proposed by the Government for the benefit of the displaced persons.

4. Accordingly the Writ Petition stands ***disposed of*** with a direction to respondent No.3-Special Land Acquisition Officer, Hemavathi Reservoir Project to consider the application



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filed by the petitioner No.1, consider the recommendation already made by the Tahsildar and proceed to grant alternative land to the petitioners in terms of the scheme of the Government, if the petitioners is eligible for allotment, as expeditiously as possible and at any rate within a period of 3 months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

Learned High Court Government Pleader is permitted to file memo of appearance within a period of four weeks from today.

**Sd/-
(R DEVDAS)
JUDGE**

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