



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE SMT. JUSTICE LALITHA KANNEGANTI

WRIT PETITION NO. 7650 OF 2022 (GM-POLICE)

BETWEEN:

RAMESH SHARMA
S/O LATE B.MITTALAL SHARMA
AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS
380, 1st CROSS ROAD,
ROBERSONPET,
KGF -563 122

...PETITIONER

(BY SMT.RKSHITHA P. SINGH, ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. S BALAKRISHNAN, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY HOME SECRETARY,
HOME DEPARTMENT
VIDHANA SOUDHA
AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU- 560 001
2. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE
POLICE HEAD QUARTERS,
NRUPATUNGA ROAD,
BESIDE RBI, NUNEGUNDLAPALLI,
AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU -560 001
3. SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE KGF
6th CROSS ROAD,
KOLAR GOLD FIELDS,



KARNATAKA -560 001

4. POLICE INSPECTOR
CEN CRIME P.S.
NEAR ARTO OFFICE
PEDDAPALLI
KOLAR GOLD FIELDS-563 120
5. CRIME INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT
1, CARLTON HOUSE,
PALACE ROAD,
BENGALURU -560 001
6. CENTRAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
NO.36, BELLARY RD,
BANGANAGAR,
BENGALURU -560 032

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI.MANJUNATH K., HCGP FOR R1 TO R5
SRI.P.PRASANNA KUMAR, ADVOCATE)

THIS WP IS FILED UNDER ARTICLE 226 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO DIRECT RESPONDENT NO.5 OR 6 TO TAKE OVER THE FURTHER INVESTIGATION OF CRIME NO.12/2019 REGISTERED FOR OFFENCE PUNISHABLE UNDER S.66C,66D OF IT ACT AND S.420 OF IPC ON THE FILE OF R-4 VIDE ANNEXURE-A.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE SMT. JUSTICE LALITHA KANNEGANTI



ORAL ORDER

The present writ petition is filed seeking the following prayer:

"PRAYER

WHEREFORE, petitioner humbly prays that This Hon'be court be pleased to:

a. Direct Respondent No. 5 or 6 to take over the further investigation of Crime No. 12/2019 registered for offence punishable under S. 66C, 66D of IT Act and under S. 420 of IPC on the file of Respondent No. 4; ANNEXURE-A.

b. Pass any other such order as deem fit in the ends of justice."

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it is a cyber crime and the Police are not competent for the investigation and the law and order has to be either by the Central Bureau of Investigation or Crime Investigation Department.

3. Learned High Court Government Pleader appearing for respondent Nos.1 to 5 submits that the Police have already concluded the investigation and filed 'C' report on 04.02.2021. It is submitted that if the petitioners are aggrieved by the same, they could have filed a petition.



4. Having heard the learned counsels on either side, perused the entire material on record. Notice was issued to the petitioner. The prayer of the petitioner to conduct the investigation by the Central Bureau of Investigation or Crime Investigation Department cannot be considered by this Court. If the petitioner is aggrieved by the 'C' report filed by the Police, there is a remedy available to the petitioner. In that view of the matter, this Court is passing the following:

ORDER

- i. Accordingly, the writ petition is ***disposed of*** giving liberty to the petitioner to question the 'C' report filed by the Police.
- ii. All I.As. in this petition shall stand closed.

**SD/-
(LALITHA KANNEGANTI)
JUDGE**

MEG
List No.: 2 Sl No.: 4