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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

[SRI M SUNIL CHOWDARY AND ANOTHER VS. THE CHIEF
COMMISSIONER AND OTHERS]

27.08.2026

(VIDEO CONFERENCING / PHYSICAL HEARING)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

ORAL ORDER

1. Both the counsels submit that they are close to a settlement and if the matter is taken up on 01.09.2026, they are likely to report the settlement.
2. A memo has been filed by the learned counsel for the Corporation enclosing a letter addressed by the Special Commissioner (Revenue and IT) dated 06.05.2026 to indicate that this is the methodology which will be followed for the purpose of registration of e-katha even in respect of apartment buildings.
3. A perusal of the said letter indicates that it is only an introduction to an e-katha system and not the manner and methodology of application, dealing with the application, processing the application and finally issuing the application. There being numerous issues which have arisen as regard to the e-katha system, it is required that these are to be resolved as and when they arise, proactively if possible, if not proactively on coming to know of the issues that have arisen.
4. This Court is conscious of the fact that the e-katha system is a new system which has been introduced and



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there would be several teething problems in respect of the said system. However, that would not mean that the learnings from the system, when there is an abuse or misuse of the system, is not addressed immediately and letting the loophole persist for further abuse and misuse.

5. Hence the Special Commissioner (Revenue and IT) is requested to look into the matter and make his submissions by next date. He is requested to be present through video conference on 01.09.2026.
6. Interim orders wherever granted are extended till the next date of hearing.

(SURAJ GOVINDARAJ)
JUDGE

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