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NC: 2026:KHC-D:14790-DB
CCC No. 100008 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT DHARWAD

DATED THIS THE 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.I.ARUN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAGHAVENDRA SEETHARAM SRIVATSA

CIVIL CONTEMPT PETITION NO. 100008 OF 2026 (CIVIL)

BETWEEN:

MRUTHYUNJAY S/O SHRISHAIL HIREMATH,
AGE. 42 YEARS, OCC. AGRICULTURE,
R/O. BASAVANAGAR, MUDHOL 587313,
DIST. BAGALKOTE.

...COMPLAINANT

(BY SRIYUTS S.S. BETURMATH AND K.L.PATIL, ADVOCATES)

AND:

1. C. SATYANARAYANA,
SECRETARY,
PUBLIC WORKS AND INLAND WATER TRANSPORT
DEPARTMENT,
M. S. BUILDING, BANGALORE- 1.
2. SANGAPPA,
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER BAGALKOTE,
NAVANAGAR,
BAGALKOTE 587101.
3. SMT. SWETA M. BEEDIKAR,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
JAMAKHANDI SUB-DIVISION,
MINI VIDHAN SOUDHA,
2ND FLOOR HUNNUR ROAD,
JAMAKHANDI, 587301,
DIST. BAGALKOTE.
4. CHANNABASAPPA MACHANUR,
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
PUBLIC WORKS AND INLAND WATER TRANSPORT
DEPARTMENT,
MUDHOL SUB-DIVISION,

Digitally signed by
K M SOMASHEKAR
Location: High
Court of Karnataka,
Dharwad Bench,
Dharwad



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5. JAYA MADHAV,
THE SPECIAL OFFICER (LAND ACQUISITION),
KARNATAKA STATE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
(PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT),
PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNIT,
1ST FLOOR, PWD ANNEXE BUILDING,
K. R. CIRCLE, BENGALURU-560001.
6. SMT. LALITA MUDNAL,
THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER (LAND ACQUISITION),
KARNATAKA STATE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT,
SUB DIVISION 2, ROOM NO B-13, GROUND FLOOR,
SUVARNA SOUDHA BELAGAVI 590010.
7. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA,
BY ITS SECRETARY, P.W AND IW TRANSPORT
DEPARTMENT.

...ACCUSED

(BY SRI PRAVEEN K. UPPER, AGA FOR R3 TO R7)

THIS CCC IS FILED UNDER SECTION 11 AND 12 OF THE CONTEMPT OF COURTS ACT OF 1971, READ WITH ARTICLE 215 OF CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, 1950, PLEASED TO THE HON'BLE COURT MAY KINDLY BE PLEASED TO TAKE COGNIZANCE OF THE OFFENCE OF THE ACTS OF ACCUSED UNDER THE CONTEMPT OF COURT ACT, 1971 FOR WILLFUL DISOBEDIENCE OF ORDER DATED 07.06.2024 PASSED BY THE HON'BLE SINGLE JUDGE, HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, DHARWAD BENCH IN WP.NO.103154/2024 (LA-RES), VIDE ANNEXURE-A AND PUNISH THE ACCUSED FOR THE OFFENCE PUNISHABLE UNDER THE CONTEMPT OF COURTS ACT, 1971 AND ETC.

THIS CCC, COMING ON FOR ORDERS, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.I.ARUN
AND
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAGHAVENDRA SEETHARAM SRIVATSA

ORAL ORDER



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(PER: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.I.ARUN)

1. The petitioner herein was the petitioner in W.P.No.103154/2024. In the said writ petition, the learned Single Judge passed the following order:

"ORDER

- (i) *Petition is allowed.*
 - (ii) *Writ of mandamus is issued to respondents No.3 to 6 to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 24.11.2023 and pass appropriate suitable orders within a period of four months from the date of receipt of copy of this order by providing suitable opportunity and if required by taking help of ADLR for the purpose of survey."*
2. The present contempt petition has been filed alleging willful disobedience of the aforesaid order passed by the learned Single Judge.
3. The order passed by the learned Single Judge has also been assailed by the State in a writ appeal. On 18.08.2026, the following order came to be passed in the said writ appeal:

"Issue emergent notice to the respondent.



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The respondent shall not precipitate the matter till the next date of hearing.

I.A.No.1/2026 shall be heard along with the main matter.

I.A.No.2/2026 is allowed. The appellants are dispensed with production of English translations of the annexures mentioned in the application for the present.

I.A.No.3/2026 is allowed. The appellants are dispensed with production of typed copies of the annexures mentioned therein, subject to an undertaking that the typed copies shall be produced, if called upon by the Court, at the time of hearing.

Re-list the matter along with CCC No.100008/2026 on 28.09.2026."

4. As the order passed by the learned Single Judge has been assailed by the State in the writ appeal and the respondents have been directed not to precipitate the matter during the pendency of the writ appeal, in our opinion, the present contempt petition is liable to be dismissed.
5. It is needless to state, if the petitioner were to succeed in the writ appeal, he would be at liberty to have the order passed in the writ appeal enforced in accordance with law.



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6. For the aforementioned reasons, the contempt petition is
dismissed.

**Sd/-
(M.I.ARUN)
JUDGE**

**Sd/-
(RAGHAVENDRA SEETHARAM SRIVATSA)
JUDGE**

VB/CT:SD/LIST NO.: 1 SL NO.: 23