



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, AT DHARWAD

DATED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF MARCH, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JYOTI M

WRIT PETITION NO. 113175 OF 2019 (KLR-RES)

BETWEEN:

MAHESH SHRIDHAR HEGDE,
A/A: 48 YEARS, AGRICULTURIST,
R/O: HOSAGADDE KALASALLI,
PO: MANJGUNI, TQ: SIRSI,
U.K. DISTRICT.

... PETITIONER

(BY SRI. VIJAY.M.MALALI, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA,
BY ITS REVENUE SECRETARY,
VIDHANA SOUDHA, BENGALURU.
2. LAND TRIBUNAL SIRSI,
SIRSI, UTTAR KANNADA DISTRICT,
BY ITS SECRETARY,
TAHASHILDAR, SIRSI,
U.K. DISTRICT.
3. MANJUNATH SHIVAPPA HEGDE,
A/A: 78 YEARS, AGRICULTURIST,
R/O: KALUGAR, PO: MANJAGUNI,
TQ: SIRSI, U.K. DISTRICT.

... RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT. MALA.B.BHUTE, AGA FOR R1 AND R2;
SRI. RAKESH HATTIKATAGI, ADVOCATE FOR R3)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND
227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, SEEKING CERTAIN
RELIEFS.



THIS WRIT PETITION IS LISTED FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, AN ORDER IS MADE AS UNDER:

ORAL ORDER

Sri.Vijay M.Malali., counsel for the petitioner and Smt.Mala B.Bhute., AGA for respondents 1 and 2-State have appeared in person.

2. The order of the Land Tribunal dated 08.08.1979 and the consequent issuance of Form No. 10 dated 24.07.1981 are called in question in this writ petition on several grounds, as set out in the memorandum of the writ petition.

3. Counsel appearing for the respective parties presented several contentions. Heard the arguments and perused the writ papers with care.

4. The Land Tribunal passed the order in the year 1979, whereas the present petition has been filed in the year 2019. There is an inordinate delay of 40 years. Absolutely no averments have been made in the writ petition explaining the delay and laches. Hence, the writ petition is liable to be



dismissed on the ground of delay and laches. Accordingly, it is dismissed.

5. Since this Court has dismissed the writ petition on the ground of delay and laches, the merits of the case have not been considered.

**Sd/-
(JYOTI M)
JUDGE**

AM/-
LIST NO.: 1 SL NO.: 42