



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, AT DHARWAD

DATED THIS THE 27TH DAY OF MARCH, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MRS JUSTICE GEETHA K.B.

CIVIL CONTEMPT PETITION NO.100137 OF 2025

BETWEEN:

RAJESH S/O. NARASAPPA ADAGOLI,
AGE. MAJOR, OCC. AGRICULTURE,
R/O. NEAR DR. SOMARAJU HOSPITAL,
BUS STAND ROAD, GANGAVATHI,
TQ. GANGAVATHI, DIST. KOPPAL.

...COMPLAINANT

(BY SRI. NAGANGOUDA M.PATIL, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. K. SHRUTHI,
THE SPECIAL LAND ACQUISITION OFFICER,
MUNIRABAD-MEHABOOB NAGAR,
RAILWAY LINE FORMATION SCHEME,
SINDHANUR, TQ. SINDHANUR,
DIST. RAICHUR-560211.
2. TATA VENKATARAO,
THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
SOUTH-WEST, RAILWAY FORMATION-III,
KESHWAPUR, HUBBALLI,
DIST. DHARWAD-580023.

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3. DANISH KHAN,
THE DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER,
SOUTH-WEST, RAILWAY FORMATION-III,
STATION ROAD, DAVANAGERE,
TQ. AND DIST. DAVANAGERE-577002.

...ACCUSED

(BY SRI. SHARAD V.MAGADUM, ADDL. GOVT. ADV. FOR A1;
SRI. M.B. KANAVI, ADVOCATE FOR A2 AND A3)

THIS CIVIL CONTEMPT PETITION IS FILED UNDER SECTION 11 AND 12 OF THE CONTEMPT OF COURTS ACT, 1971, PRAYING TO, NOTICE MAY KINDLY BE ISSUED TO THE ACCUSED/RESPONDENTS AND THEY MAY BE PUNISHED FOR THE CONTEMPT OF COURT FOR THE WILLFUL DISOBEDIENCE OF THE ORDER DATED 23.02.2024 PASSED BY THIS HONORABLE LEARNED SINGLE JUDGE OF THIS HIGH COURT IN WRIT PETITION NO.101733/2021, THE COPY OF SAME MARKED AS ANNEXURE-A, IN THE ENDS OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY.

THIS CIVIL CONTEMPT PETITION, COMING ON FOR ORDERS, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: THE HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
THE HON'BLE MRS JUSTICE GEETHA K.B.



ORAL ORDER

(PER: HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE)

1. The complainant has filed the present complaint, alleging wilful disobedience of the order dated 23.02.2024, passed by the learned Single Judge in Writ Petition No. 101733/2021 [LA-RES]. The operative part of the said order reads as under:

"9. Accordingly, the petition is allowed. The impugned endorsement dated 22.12.2019 issued by the respondent No.3 at Annexure-F is hereby quashed.

Respondent No.3 to ascertain actual extent of land acquired in R.S. No.199 measuring 18 acres 22 guntas situated at Yaradona village, and pass an award to the actual extent of land acquired, and pay compensation in light of the provisions contained in Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013."

2. A plain reading of the above-mentioned order indicates that it is premised on the Land Tribunal's order dated 16.06.2018, which formed the subject matter of Writ Petition No.106428/2025 preferred by the State. In the said writ petition, an interim order dated 08.09.2025 was passed staying the operation of the aforementioned Land Tribunal's order. The said order is subsisting. Additionally, it is stated that the State has also filed an appeal against the order dated 23.02.2024, the disobedience of which is alleged, and the said appeal is pending.



3. In view of the above, we do not consider it apposite to initiate any proceedings under the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, at this stage. The complaint is accordingly closed with liberty to the complainant to revive the same subject to the outcome of the pending proceedings, namely the Writ Petition No.106428/2025 and W.A.No.100543/2025.

4. All pending applications are also disposed of.

**Sd/
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(VIBHU BAKHRU)
CHIEF JUSTICE**

**Sd/-
(GEETHA K.B.)
JUDGE**