

**MFA NO. 102279/2025 (LAC)**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT DHARWAD**

[THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER VS. THE S.L.A.O. AND  
ANOTHER]

26.03.2026

(VIDEO CONFERENCING / PHYSICAL HEARING)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE B.M.SHYAM PRASAD  
and  
HON'BLE MR JUSTICE SHIVASHANKAR  
AMARANNAVAR

**ORAL ORDER**

(PER: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE B.M.SHYAM PRASAD)

Sri M. M. Patil, the learned counsel for the appellant, relying upon orders of this Court in MFA No.105256/2025, submits that *[i]* the question is about the land loser's claim for enhancement in compensation for acquisition of land for Rameshwara Lift Irrigation Project and *[ii]* this Court in similar circumstances has granted stay subject to the deposit of 50% of the award amount directing the reference Court to invest the amount in a fixed deposit with a nationalized Bank.

On perusal of the order dated 20.02.2026 in MFA No.105256/2025, the interim order is granted staying the operation of the impugned judgment and award subject to the deposit of 50% of the award amount with the reference

Court within six [6] weeks. The reference Court is called upon to invest this amount in a fixed deposit with any nationalized Bank with instructions for auto-renewal.

The respondent No.2/claimant is at liberty to file an application for such withdrawal of the amount.

Sri Praveen Uppar, a learned Additional Government Advocate is called upon to accept notice for respondent No.1 and there shall be notice returnable by **23.06.2026** to the respondent No.2.

The Office is directed to secure the Trial Court Records once there is deposit and investment as now directed.

**(B.M.SHYAM PRASAD)**  
**JUDGE**

**(SHIVASHANKAR AMARANNAVAR)**  
**JUDGE**

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