

MFA NO. 104563/2025 (LAC)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT DHARWAD

[THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER VS. THE SPECIAL LAND
ACQUISITION OFFICER, AND OTHERS]

23.03.2026

(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)

The appellant's grievance is with the reference Court's judgment and award on the compensation payable to the respondents whose lands are acquired for the *Hipparagi Project*.

The learned counsel for the appellant seeks interim order asserting that the claimants [*including the respondent No.10, who is on caveat*] has levied execution and the appellant is called upon to deposit the entire amount which will be disbursed to the respondents. It is seen that this Court in the appeals filed by the appellant relating to the same project has granted the interim orders staying the operation of the reference Court's judgment and award but subject to the appellant depositing with the reference Court 50% of the award amount with interest directing the

reference Court to invest the same with a nationalized bank for a period of one year. In this regard, this Court may refer to the order dated 09.09.2025 in MFA No.105415/2024.

In the circumstances, and subject to further orders on I.A. for condonation of delay and service of notice, the interim order is granted staying the operation of the impugned judgment and award subject to the appellant depositing 50% of the award amount with interest with the reference Court within eight [8] weeks and the reference Court is directed to deposit this amount with a nationalized bank subject to auto renewal instructions.

Sri Praveen Uppar, the learned Additional Government Advocate, is called upon to accept notice for respondent No.1 and there shall be notice returnable by **22.06.2026** to respondent Nos.2 to 9.

(B.M.SHYAM PRASAD)
JUDGE

(SHIVASHANKAR AMARANNAVAR)
JUDGE

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