



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA, DHARWAD BENCH
DATED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF MARCH 2026
BEFORE
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK S. KINAGI
WRIT PETITION NO. 107655 OF 2025 (CS-EL/M)

BETWEEN:

1. SRI. ALLABHAKSHI KATHARAKI
S/O KARIMA SAB, AGE 45 YEARS,
OCC. AGRICULTURE AND VICE PRESIDENT
OF VIVIDODDESHA PRIMARY
RURAL AGRICULTURAL CO-OPERATIVE
SOCIETY, BAGALI, R/O BAGALI,
DIST. VIJAYANAGAR 583131.
2. SRI. HARSIH R PATIL
S/O P REVANNA GOUDA, AGE 48 YEARS,
OCC. AGRICULTURE AND PRESIDENT OF
VIVIDODDESHA PRIMARY RURAL
AGRICULTURAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY,
HIREMEGALAGERI, R/O. HIREMEGALAGERI,
DIST. VIJAYANAGAR -583131.
3. SRI BANAKAR NAGAPPA S/O NARASAPPA
AGE 43 YEARS, OCC. AGRICULTURE AND
PRESIDENT OF VIVIDODDESHA PRIMARY
RURAL AGRICULTURAL CO-OPERATIVE
SOCIETY, SASVIHALLI, R/O SASVIHALLI,
DIST. VIJAYANAGAR 583131.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. ANIL KALE, ADV)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATION
M.S. BUILDING, 6TH FLOOR,
BENGALURU 560001.
2. THE REGISTRAR OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
NO.1, ALI ASKAR ROAD, BENGALURU 560052.

3. THE CO-OPERATIVE ELECTION AUTHORITY
REP. BY ITS SECRETARY
3RD FLOOR, SHANTINAGAR
T.T.M.C. 'A' BLOCK, SHANTI NAGAR
BENGALURU 560027.
4. THE DISTRICT CO-OPERATIVE ELECTION
OFFICER AND DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF
CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES
HARAPANAHALLI, VIJAYANGAR
DIST. VIJAYANGAR 583131.
5. RETURNING OFFICER AND CO-OPERATIVE
DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
HARAPPANAHALLI TALUK AGRICULTURAL
PRODUCE MARKETING CO-OPERATIVE
SOCIETY LTD., DIST. VIJAYANAGAR 583131.
6. HARAPPANAHALLI TALUK AGRICULTURAL
PRODUCE MARKETING CO-OPERATIVE
SOCIETY LTD., DIST. VIJAYANAGAR 583131
REP. BY ITS SECRETARY.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT. KIRTELATA R. PATIL, HCGP FOR R1, R2, R4 & R5,
SRI. G.V. BHARAMAGOUDAR, ADV FOR R3
SRI. K.L.PATIL, ADV FOR R6)

THIS WP IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 & 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO, A) ISSUE A WRIT OF CERTIORARI QUASHING THE FINAL INELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO.6 MARKED AT ANNEXURE-E IN SO FAR AS PETITIONERS ARE CONCERNED IN THE ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF 6TH RESPONDENT SOCIETY FOR THE TERM 2025 TO 2029. B) ISSUE A WRIT OF MANDAMUS DIRECTING THE RESPONDENTS TO CONDUCT THE ELECTIONS TO THE 6TH RESPONDENT SOCIETY FOR THE TERM 2025-2029 SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON 26/10/2025, PERMITTING THE PETITIONERS TO CAST THEIR VOTE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTION PROCESS IN TERMS OF ANNEXURE-A DATED. 09/10/2025 ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO.5. C) PASS SUCH OTHER ORDERS AS



THIS HON BLE COURT DEEMS FIT IN THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE, INCLUDING COSTS, IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY.

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

ORAL ORDER

(PER: THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK S. KINAGI)

1. This writ petition is filed by the petitioners seeking a mandamus directing the respondents to permit the petitioners to cast their vote and participate in the election scheduled to be held on 26.10.2025 to 6th respondent-Society and to quash the final ineligible voters' list issued by respondent No.6 vide Annexure-E insofar as the petitioners are concerned.

2. The issue involved in the instant petition is squarely covered by the order passed by this Court in the case of ***Bhimappa Sidagoud Magadum v. the Deputy Commissioner, Bagalkot and others*** in **Writ Petition No.148379/2020** disposed of on 03.11.2020.

3. In view of the same, the writ petition is disposed off in terms of the order passed by this Court in the case of ***Bhimappa*** referred (supra). Liberty is reserved to the petitioners



to agitate their grievance before the appropriate forum, if so desired.

This Court vide order dated 16.10.2025 permitted the petitioners to cast their vote in the election to respondent No.6-Society scheduled to be held on 26.10.2025. Pursuant to the said orders, the petitioners have cast their vote.

Learned HCGP submits that Returning Officer has not announced the results of the election held on 26.10.2025.

The Returning Officer without counting the votes of the petitioners to announce the results within a week from today.

Pending applications, if any, stand disposed off.

Sd/-
(ASHOK S. KINAGI)
JUDGE

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CT: BSB