

**MFA NO. 105144/2025**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT DHARWAD**  
[THE DIVISIONAL MANAGER VS. SMT SUDHARANI W/O  
BASAVANNI MANTRI AND OTHERS]

17.04.2026

(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. Y. Katagi, the learned Counsel for the appellant – Insurer, submits that this appeal is as against the concerned Tribunal's impugned on judgment and award in MVC No.176 of 2020, and that the insurer has filed another appeal in MFA No.105317 of 2023 calling in question the Tribunal's decision to award compensation. These two claim petitions arise out of the same accident. The learned counsel submits that in MFA No.105317 of 2023 this Court has granted stay subject to deposit of 50% of the award amount, and that the insurer disputes liability, denying the involvement of the insured vehicle.

In consideration of these submissions, and subject to further orders on I.A. No.1 of 2026, an interim order is granted staying the operation and execution of the Tribunal's impugned judgment and award, subject to the following conditions.

**[i]** The appellant shall deposit 50% of the award amount with interest with the Tribunal within eight weeks from today.

**[ii]** The Tribunal shall invest the amount so deposited with a Nationalized Bank with instructions for auto-renewal.

There shall be notice to the respondents, and this notice shall be returnable by **14.07.2026**, and this appeal shall be tagged along with MFA No.105317 of 2023.

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

**(SHIVASHANKAR AMARANAVAR)**  
**JUDGE**

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