



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

KALABURAGI BENCH

DATED THIS THE 25TH DAY OF APRIL, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.VISHWAJITH SHETTY

WRIT PETITION NO. 201721 OF 2026 (LA-RES)

BETWEEN:

1. SIDDANNA S/O GUNDAPPA MALIPATIL,
AGED MAJOR,
R/O. THONASANAHALLI VILLAGE,
CHITTAPUR TALUK,
KALABURAGI-585 265.
2. SRI. SIDDARUDH S/O PARAMESHWAR NINGADE,
AGED MAJOR,
R/O. THONASANAHALLI VILLAGE,
CHITTAPUR TALUK,
KALABURAGI-585 265.
3. SRI. SHANTHAGOWDA S/O SHIVARAJ,
AGED MAJOR,
R/O. THONASANAHALLI VILLAGE,
CHITTAPUR TALUK,
KALABURAGI-585 265.
4. SRI. DHANANJAYA RAO
S/O HANAMANTHRAO KULKARNI,
AGED MAJOR,
R/O. TENGALI VILLAGE,





CHITTAPUR TALUK,
KALABURAGI-585 317.

5. SMT. MANJULA W/O VENKATARAO KULKARNI,
AGED MAJOR,
R/O. TENGALI VILLAGE,
CHITTAPUR TALUK,
KALABURAGI-585 317.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. ABHIRAJ B CHENGTI, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
THROUGH ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
VIKASA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU-560 001.
2. THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
THROUGH ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
3RD FLOOR, VIKASA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU-560 001.
3. THE CHIEF ENGINEER
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
PWD BHAVAN, JEVARGI ROAD,
KALABURAGI-585 102.
4. THE SUPERINTENDENT ENGINEER
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
PWD BHAVAN, JEVARGI ROAD,
KALABURAGI-585 102.



5. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
PWD BHAVAN, JEVARGI ROAD,
KALABURAGI-585 102.
6. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
SEDAM DIVISION, SEDAM,
KALABURAGI DISTRICT-585 222.
7. THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
KALGI SUB-DIVISION, KALGI,
KALABURAGI DISTRICT-585 312.
8. THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
CHITTAPUR SUB-DIVISION, CHITTAPUR,
KALABURAGI DISTRICT-585 211.
9. THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
KALABURAGI DISTRICT,
MINI VIDHANA SOUDHA,
KALABURAGI-585 102.

...RESPONDENTS

(SRI. MALLIKARJUN SAHUKAR, AGA FOR R1 TO R9)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO, (A) ISSUE A WRIT OF MANDAMUS DIRECTING THE RESPONDENTS TO CONSIDER THE COMMON REPRESENTATION OF THE PETITIONERS DATED 27.11.2025 AND 28.11.2025 PRODUCED AT ANNEXURE C AND D RESPECTIVELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW AND DIRECT THE RESPONDENTS TO INITIATE FORMAL ACQUISITION FOR THE LANDS OF THE PETITIONERS BY



ISSUING PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME AS THIS HONOURABLE COURT DEEMS APPROPRIATE, ETC.,

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

1. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Advocate on behalf of the respondent Nos.1 to 9.

2. The petitioners are before this Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking for the following orders:

(i) Issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to consider the common representation of the petitioners dated 27.11.2025 and 28.11.2025 produced at Annexures-C and D, respectively in accordance with law and direct the respondents to initiate formal acquisition for the lands of the petitioners by issuing preliminary notification within a reasonable time as this Hon'ble Court deems appropriate;



(ii) Grant such other order or direction as this Hon'ble Court deems fit in the interest of justice and equity.

3. The petitioners claim that, they are the absolute owners of agricultural properties bearing Survey Nos.68,78/1, 8/2, 107/1, 110/4, situated at Thonasanahalli village, Chittapur/Kalgi taluk, Kalaburagi district and Survey No.263, situated at Tengali village, Chittapur/Kalgi taluk, Kalaburagi district. According to the petitioners a portion of the aforesaid land has been utilized by the State for the purpose of formation of road from Hebbal village to Chittapur town without acquiring their land and without paying compensation to them. It is under these circumstances, the petitioners allegedly have submitted representations at Annexures-C and D dated 27.11.2025 and 28.11.2025 before the respondents with a request to formally initiate acquisition proceedings in respect of the lands which were utilized by the State for formation of road as aforesaid and grant compensation to them. The grievance of the petitioners is that, the said representations are not considered till date.



4. Learned Additional Government Advocate submits that, the respondent No.3 is the competent authority to consider the representation of the petitioner and after securing necessary documents including survey report if necessary, the representation of the petitioners shall be considered and appropriate orders in accordance with law shall be passed if some reasonable time is granted.

5. The said submission is placed on record.

6. The writ petition is partly allowed, and a direction is issued to the respondent No.3 to consider the representation of the petitioners as aforesaid and pass appropriate orders on the same in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, but not later than a period of four months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

Sd/-
(S.VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE