



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

KALABURAGI BENCH

DATED THIS THE 12TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.R.KRISHNA KUMAR

WRIT PETITION NO.202198 OF 2026 (GM-POLICE)

BETWEEN:

MALLAMMA
W/O DODDA PAKEERAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS,
RESIDING AT R.H COLONY,
NO.3, JAWALGERA SINDHANUR TALUK
RAICHUR DIST-584143.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI PRAKASH T AND
SRI SANTOSH A., ADVOCATES)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF HOME,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU-560001.
2. CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF PRISON
DISTRICT PRISON BELLARY
JAIL ROAD, BELLARY
KARNATAKA-583101.
3. ADDITIONAL INSPECTOR GENERAL OF PRISON
DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PRISONS
AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICE
STATE OF KARNATAKA
BANGALORE-560009





4. SINDHANUR TOWN POLICE STATION
NEAR RASHTRIYA KHADI BHANDAR SHOP
NH-150A
(NEAR RASHTRIYA KHADI BHANDAR SHOP)
SINDHANUR-584143

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI SHESHADRI JAISHANKAR M., AGA)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO A) ISSUE A WRIT OF CERTIORARI OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE WRIT, ORDER, OR DIRECTION, TO QUASH/SET ASIDE THE ENDORSEMENT DATED 02.04.2026 (ANNEXURE-E) ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO.2, AS BEING ARBITRARY AND ILLEGAL; B) ISSUE A WRIT OF CERTIORARI OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE WRITE, ORDER, OR DIRECTION, TO QUASH/SET ASIDE THE ORDER DATED 27.04.2026 (ANNEXURE-F) ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO.3, AS BEING ARBITRARY AND ILLEGAL; C) ISSUE A WRIT OF MANDAMUS, DIRECTING THE RESPONDENTS NO.2 AND 3 TO RELEASE THE PETITIONER'S HUSBAND I.E., CONVICTED PRISONER DODDA PAKEERAPPA S/O. SOMAPPA KONEDEVARU (CTP NO.14047) AGED ABOUT 57 YEARS, R/O R.H. COLONY, NO.3, JAWALGERA, SINDHANUR TALUK, RAICHUR DIST-584143, PRESENTLY SERVING HIS LIFE SENTENCE IN DISTRICT PRISON, BELLARY, ON GENERAL PAROLE FOR A PERIOD OF 90 DAYS TO ATTEND TO HIS AILING MOTHER; D) GRANT SUCH OTHER RELIEF(S) AS THIS HON'BLE COURT DEEMS FIT IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY.



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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.R.KRISHNA KUMAR

ORAL ORDER

In this petition, the petitioner seeks the following
reliefs:

- "a) Issue a Writ of Certiorari or any other appropriate writ, order, or direction, to quash/set aside the endorsement dated 02.04.2026 (Annexure-E) issued by Respondent No.2, as being arbitrary and illegal;*
- b) Issue a Writ of Certiorari or any other appropriate write, order, or direction, to quash/set aside the order dated 27.04.2026 (Annexure-F) issued by Respondent No.3, as being arbitrary and illegal;*
- c) Issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents No.2 and 3 to release the petitioner's husband i.e., convicted prisoner Dodda Pakeerappa S/o. Somappa Konedeveru (CTP No.14047) Aged about 57 years, R/o R.H. Colony, No.3, Jawalgera, Sindhanur Taluk, Raichur Dist-584143, presently serving his life sentence in District Prison, Bellary, on General Parole for a period of 90 days to attend to his ailing mother;*
- d) Grant such other relief(s) as this Hon'ble Court deems fit in the interest of justice and equity."*

2. A perusal of the material on record will indicate that the petitioner is the wife of Sri Dodda Pakeerappa (CTP No.14047) who was convicted by the Sessions Court in S.C.No.57/2022 vide judgment dated 01.04.2025



whereby he is undergoing life imprisonment and serving life sentence at the District Prison, Bellary. The petitioner had earlier approached this Court in W.P.No.202525/2025 seeking grant of general parole which was disposed of by this Court vide final order dated 06.03.2026 directing respondent No.2 – Jail Authorities to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 31.07.2025 for grant of general parole and to pass appropriate orders within a period of two weeks.

3. According to the petitioner, the mother of the convict is old and ailing and wants to spend her last days with her son who is the husband of the petitioner and accordingly the petitioner requested grant of general parole in favour of her husband. Respondent No.3 rejected the parole application filed by the petitioner vide impugned order dated 27.04.2026 in pursuance of which respondent No.2 issued the impugned endorsement dated 02.04.2026 rejecting parole application of the petitioner, who is before this Court by way of the present petition.



4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Additional Government Advocate for the respondents and perused the material on record.

5. The material on record discloses that the petitioner's husband has been convicted and sentenced to undergo imprisonment for life in relation to proceedings in S.C.No.57/2022 vide judgment dated 01.04.2025 and the petitioner seeks parole on behalf of her husband on humanitarian ground that her mother-in-law i.e., the mother of the convict is old and suffering from various ailments and wants to spend her last days with the husband of the petitioner. Under these circumstances, having regard to the material on record, including the photographs which clearly indicates that the mother of the convict is age old and suffering from various diseases and I deem it just and appropriate to quash the impugned order and endorsement and grant parole for a period of six weeks which becomes operational from 13.06.2026 to 24.07.2026.



6. In the result, the following:

ORDER

- (i) The Petition is hereby ***allowed***.
- (ii) The petitioner's husband, the convict Sri Dodda Pakeerappa (CTP No.14047) is hereby granted general parole for a period of ***six weeks*** which becomes operational from ***13.06.2026 to 24.07.2026***.
- (iii) The aforesaid convict i.e., Dodda Pakeerappa (CTP No.14047) shall mark his attendance before the SHO of jurisdictional police station, weekly once throughout the period of his parole and it would be the responsibility of the jurisdictional police to take him to jail, in the event, the convict (CTP No.14047) would evade going back to the jail after the expiry of the period of general parole.



- (iv) Respondent Nos.2 to 4 shall stipulate strict conditions as are usually stipulated, to ensure return of the detainee to the jail and that the convict shall not commit any other offences during the period of parole.
- (v) The learned AGA as well as the Registry are directed to communicate this order to respondent Nos.2 to 4, by way of telephone and e-mail forthwith.

Sd/-
(S.R.KRISHNA KUMAR)
JUDGE

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