



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

KALABURAGI BENCH

DATED THIS THE 6TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRADEEP SINGH YERUR

WRIT PETITION NO.202389 OF 2025 (CS-EL/M)

BETWEEN:

SRI. LAXMAN S/O BASANNA,
AGE: 45 YEARS, OCC: AGRICULTURE,
R/O MANGALAGI, TQ. KALAGI,
DIST. KALABURAGI-585312.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. B. BHIMASHANKAR, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA,
DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATION
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
M.S.BUILDING
DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU-560001.
2. THE STATE CO-OPERATIVE
ELECTION AUTHORITY
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
3RD FLOOR,
T.T.M.C "A" BLOCK,
SHANTHI NAGAR,
BENGALURU-560027.
3. THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF

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by RENUKA
Location: HIGH
COURT OF
KARNATAKA



CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES/
ELECTION OFFICER,
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE,
KALABURAGI-585102.

4. THE RETURNING OFFICER,
PRATHAMIKA KRUSHI PATTINA
SAHAKARA SANKHA LTD., KODADUR,
TQ. KALAGI, DIST. KALABURAGI-585312.
5. PRATHAMIKA KRUSHI PATTINA
SAHAKARA SANKHA LTD.,
REPRESENTED BY ITS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
KODADUR, TQ.KALAGI,
DIST. KALABURAGI-585312.

(REGISTERED UNDER THE
KARNATAKA CO-OPERATIVE
SOCIETIES ACT 1959).

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. JAISHANKAR SHESHADRI, AGA FOR R1 & R3;
SRI. SOLOMAN ALFRED, ADVOCATE FOR R2)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLE 226 OF
THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO ISSUE A WRIT IN
THE NATURE OF MANDAMUS DIRECTING THE RESPONDENT
NOS.2 TO 5 TO INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE PETITIONER IN
THE FINAL VOTERS' LIST PRODUCED AT ANNEXURE-B OF THE
PRATHAMIKA KRUSHI PATTINA SAHAKARA SANGHA LTD.,
KODADUR FOR THE ELECTION SCHEDULED ON 10.08.2025.

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



CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRADEEP SINGH YERUR

ORAL ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for respondent Nos.1 and 3 and Sri Solomon Alfred, learned counsel for respondent No.2.

2. The present petition is filed seeking the following reliefs:

"(a). Issue a writ in the nature of mandamus directing Respondent Nos.2 to 5 to include the name of the Petitioner in the final voters' list produced at Annexure-B of the Prathamika Krushi Pattina Sahakara Sangha Ltd., Kodadur, for the election scheduled on 10.08.2025.

(b). Grant such other reliefs as this Hon'ble Court deems fit in the interest of justice and equity."

3. Apparently, it is seen that the petitioner is challenging his name not being included in the final voters' list. The calendar of events are already fixed. The election is scheduled to have been conducted on 10.08.2025. Petitioner by virtue of an interim order was permitted to



cast the vote and the vote cast by the petitioner was ordered to be kept in a separate box. It is submitted by the learned counsel for petitioner that the elections though scheduled has not been conducted. Be that as it may.

4. In view of the provisions of Section 70 of the Karnataka Co-operative Societies Act, 1959, the present petition would not be sustainable. In view of the judgment of this Court in the case of ***Rajeshkar and Others vs. The State of Karnataka and Others [2025: KHC-K:6054]*** and this Court having pronounced order in W.P.No.200155/2026 on 22.01.2026, the present petition would not be maintainable.

5. Accordingly, I pass the following:

ORDER

- i. This petition is disposed of.
- ii. Liberty is reserved to the petitioner, if the cause of action arises, to approach the concerned authority under Section 70 of



the Karnataka Co-operative Societies Act,
1959.

- iii. All contentions urged by the petitioners
are kept open to be urged before the
appropriate forum.

Sd/-
(PRADEEP SINGH YERUR)
JUDGE

NB
LIST NO.: 2 SL NO.: 3
CT;SI