



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

KALABURAGI BENCH

DATED THIS THE 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R.NATARAJ

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TYAGARAJA N. INAVALLY

CIVIL CONTEMPT PETITION NO. 200232 OF 2025

BETWEEN:

BASAVARAJ
S/O SIDRAMAPPA AMBALAGI,
AGE: 31 YEARS, OCC: NIL,
R/O: POST MADANHIPPARGA VILLAGE,
TQ: ALAND, DIST: KALABURAGI - 585 236.
...COMPLAINANT

(BY SRI HARSHAVARDHAN R.MALIPATIL, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. DR. JAGADEESHA K.G.,
THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
M.S. BUILDING, BENGALURU - 560 001.
2. DR. VISHAL R.,
THE SECRETARY,
KARNATAKA PUBLIC SERVICES COMMISSION,
UDYOGA SOUDHA, PARK ROAD,
BENGALURU - 560 001.

...ACCUSED / RESPONDENTS





3. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA,
REPRESENTED BY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
VIDHAN SOUDHA, BENGALURU - 560 001.

...PROFORMA PARTY

(BY SRI MALLIKARJUN C. BASAREDDY, GA FOR R1 AND R3;
SRI NARENDRA M. REDDY, ADVOCATE FOR
SRI MANVENDRA REDDY, ADVOCATES FOR R2)

THIS CCC IS FILED UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE
CONTEMPT OF COURT ACT, PRAYING TO INITIATE CONTEMPT
PROCEEDINGS AND SENTENCE THE ACCUSED FOR CONTEMPT
OF DIRECTION OF THIS HON'BLE COURT DATED 05-06-2025
IN WP NO.201735/2024 ANNEXURE-A 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 R.NATARAJ
and
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TYAGARAJA N. INAVALLY

ORAL ORDER

(PER: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R.NATARAJ)

This contempt is filed alleging the non-compliance of
the order dated 05.06.2025 passed by learned Single
Judge in W.P.No.201735/2024.



2. The complainant had filed W.P. No.201735/2024, challenging his exclusion from the recruitment process on the ground that he did not possess the qualification. The learned Single Judge in terms of the order dated 05.06.2025, held that the recruitment process had already concluded and therefore the complainant is entitled to participate in future recruitments. The learned Single Judge contemporaneously held that the complainant would be entitled to gain the benefit of the government order and the official note, if the respondents were to prepare any additional list. It is now contended by the complainant that an additional list was prepared after the disposal of the writ petition without considering the case of candidature of the complainant and therefore the complainant has filed this contempt petition.

3. The learned counsel for the complainant has reiterated the above submissions and submitted that once there was a relaxation in the qualification by the State Government and once the learned Single Judge had



directed that the complainant is entitled to claim the benefit of the Government order and the note, if additional list is prepared, the accused were bound to comply with that. He however contends that the same is not considered, but persons with lesser merit have been shown in the additional list and hence the accused have committed an act of contempt.

4. *Per contra*, an affidavit is filed by the Secretary to KPSC stating *inter alia* that the complainant has challenged the additional list in W.P.No.202455/2025. It is also contended that the additional list dated 04.08.2025 was prepared much prior to the order passed by the learned Single Judge in W.P.No.201735/2024.

5. Since the complainant is already before the learned Single Judge challenging the additional list in W.P.No.202455/2025, we are of the opinion that this Court in contempt jurisdiction cannot test the correctness of the additional list.



6. Consequently, this contempt petition is ***closed***.
However, liberty is reserved to the complainant to urge all
grounds urged in this contempt petition before the learned
Single Judge in WP No.202455/2025.

**Sd/-
(R.NATARAJ)
JUDGE**

**Sd/-
(TYAGARAJA N. INAVALLY)
JUDGE**

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