

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

**CRIMINAL APPEAL NO(s). \_\_\_\_\_ OF 2025**

**(arising out of SLP (Crl.) No(s).4141 of 2025)**

**SRI BHARAMAPPA KUNTAGERI**

**PETITIONER(S)**

**VERSUS**

**SRINIVAS ST & ANR.**

**RESPONDENT(S)**

**with**

**CRIMINAL APPEAL NO(s). \_\_\_\_\_ OF 2025**

**(arising out of SLP (Crl.) No(s).7906 of 2025)**

**O R D E R**

1. We have heard learned counsel for the parties.
2. Leave granted.
3. Appellants challenge the judgment/order dated 10.01.2025 in Criminal Petition No.103695 of 2025 and judgment/order dated 14.02.2025 in Criminal Petition No.100705 of 2025.
4. On 08.08.2025, this Court passed the following order:

"1. Under instructions, we are informed that respondent no.1/Srinivas ST (in S.L.P.(Crl.) No.4141 of 2025) stands arrested in connection with FIR No.187 of 2024 of Ankola Police Station, Karwar Circle/Sub-Division, Uttara Kannada District, Karnataka.

2. Let service upon the said respondent be effected through the concerned Police Station, returnable on 19.09.2025.

3. Dasti service, in addition, is permitted. Let steps for service be taken within two weeks.

4. In the notice itself let it be mentioned that the said respondent is required to file the counter affidavit and reply to the interlocutory application(s), if any, before the next date of listing.

5. Interim order granted earlier to continue until the next date of listing.

6. Needless to add, parties shall fully cooperate with the investigation.”

5. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, we are of the considered view that the interest of justice would be best met by setting aside the impugned judgment/order dated 10.01.2025 in Criminal Petition No.103695 of 2025, and judgment/order dated 14.02.2025 in Criminal Petition No.100705 of 2025 and restoring the same to its original number and file, granting liberty to the private respondents herein to pursue the same. Ordered accordingly.

6. Needless to add, the parties shall fully cooperate with the investigation.

7. Accordingly, the present appeals are allowed.

8. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

.....J.  
(SANJAY KAROL)

.....J.  
(NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH)

NEW DELHI  
19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (CrI.) No(s).4141/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 10-01-2025 in CRLP No.103695/2024 passed by the High Court of Karnataka Circuit Bench at Dharwad]

SRI BHARAMAPPA KUNTAGERI

PETITIONER(S)

J.

VERSUS

SRINIVAS ST &amp; ANR.

RESPONDENT(S)

IA No. 70849/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 70855/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

WITH

SLP(CrI) No. 7906/2025 (II-E)

IA No. 111340/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 111342/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 19-09-2025 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH

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Mr. S.k. Sharma, Adv.

Upon hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The appeals are allowed in terms of the signed order, which is placed on the file.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(D. NAVEEN)  
COURT MASTER (SH)

(CHETNA BALOONI)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)