



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 2ND DAY OF JULY, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANU SIVARAMAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VENKATESH NAIK T

WRIT PETITION (HABEAS CORPUS) NO.60 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

SRI BANGARU KRISHNA
S/O ARUNDEV K.
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
R/AT BYRAWESHWARA NILAYA
5TH MAIN ROAD, OPPOSITE PARK
SIDDARAMESHRA BADAVANE
TUMAKURU - 572 101

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. NISHIT KUMAR SHETTY, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF HOME
VIDHANA SOUDHA
BENGALURU-560 001
2. THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
TUMAKURU
B.H. ROAD, ASHOK NAGAR
TUMAKURU-572 103

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Location:
High Court of
Karnataka



3. THE SHO
JAYANAGAR POLICE STATION
TUMAKURU-572 102
4. THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
BANGALORE RURAL
MILLERS ROAD
VASANTH NAGAR
BENGALURU-560 052
5. THE SUB-INSPECTOR OF POLICE
DODDABALLAPURA WOMEN POLICE STATION
BENGALURU RURAL-561 203
6. M.N. LAKHMANMURTHY
S/O M. NANJEGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS
R/AT MUDDANAYAKANAHALLI VILLAGE
KUNDAANA HOBLI
DEVANAHALLI TALUK
BENGALURU RURAL-562 110

...RESPONDENTS

VARSHA GOWDA
W/O BANGARU KRISHNA
AGED 24 YEARS
PRESENTLY AT MUDDANAYAKANHALLI VILLAGE
KUNDAANA HOBLI
DEVANAHALLI TALUK
BENGALURU RURAL-562 110

...DETENUE

(BY SRI. B.N.JAGADEESH, SPP A/W
SRI. THEJESH P, HCGP FOR R1 TO R5;
DR. PRAJWAL K. ARADHYA, ADV, FOR R6)

THIS WP(HC) IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227
OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO ISSUE A
WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS DIRECTING THE RESPONDENTS TO
PRODUCE THE WIFE OF THE PETITIONER BY NAME VARSHA
GOWDA AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS BEFORE THIS COURT.



THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR ORDERS, THIS DAY,
JUDGMENT WAS DELIVERED THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANU SIVARAMAN
and
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VENKATESH NAIK T

ORAL JUDGMENT

(PER: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANU SIVARAMAN)

This Writ Petition (Habeas Corpus) is filed by the husband of the alleged detainee seeking to issue a Writ of Habeas Corpus directing the respondents to produce the wife of the writ petitioner before this Court.

2. We have heard Shri. Nishit Kumar Shetty, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner; Shri. B.N. Jagadish, learned State Public Prosecutor-I along with Shri. P. Thejesh, learned High Court Government Pleader, appearing for the official respondents No.1 to 5; and Dr. Prajwal K. Aradhya, learned counsel appearing for respondent No.6.

3. We have also interacted with the alleged detainee. She has informed us in clear terms that she is not under any illegal detention and that she is residing with her parents on her own free will and volition. She has stated that she had not entered into any valid marriage with the writ petitioner and she



does not intend to accompany him. She has also requested us that the photographs and videos, if any, in the possession of the writ petitioner may be deleted and the writ petitioner may be informed not to harass her or try to contact her any more in the future.

4. In the above view of the matter, we are of the opinion that there is no merit in the Writ Petition (Habeas Corpus), the same is accordingly ***dismissed***.

The jurisdictional police shall take appropriate steps to see that the photographs and videos, if any, in the possession of the writ petitioner are deleted.

Sd/-
(ANU SIVARAMAN)
JUDGE

Sd/-
(VENKATESH NAIK T)
JUDGE

CP
List No.: 16 Sl No.: 1