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WP No. 17885 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 19TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE E.S.INDIRESH

WRIT PETITION NO. 17885 OF 2026 (LR)

BETWEEN:

1. SRI. G. JAYARAMA REDDY
S/O H. GURUMURTHY REDDY,
AGED ABOUT 65 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO.137, 8TH MAIN,
GOKUL 1ST STAGE, 2ND PHASE,
MATHIKERE,
BENGALURU - 560054.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. SHARAN N.MAJAGE.,ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
M.S. BUILDING,
DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU - 560001.
2. THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER
AND SUB-DIVISIONAL OFFICER,
DODDABALLAPURA SUB-DIVISION,
DODDABALLAPURA,

Digitally signed
by CHAYA S A
Location: HIGH
COURT OF
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BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT - 561203.

3. THE TAHSILDAR,
DODDABALLAPURA TALUK,
DODDABALLAPURA,
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT - 561203.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT. SHARADA H.V., AGA)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO QUASH THE IMPUGNED ORDER DATED 28.03.2011 PASSED BY THE RESPONDENT NO.3 IN CASE NO. LRFSR(DO)232/07-08 (PRODUCED AS ANNEXURE-G); AND ETC.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE E.S.INDIRESH

ORAL ORDER

In this writ petition, the petitioner is assailing the order dated 28.03.2011, produced as Annexure-G, and the order dated 31.10.2018, produced as Annexure-H, passed by respondent No. 2-Assistant Commissioner.



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2. Heard Sri. Sharan N. Majage, Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Smt. Sharada H.V., Learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for the respondent-State.

3. Having heard the learned counsel appearing for the parties and upon careful consideration of the matter, it is evident that respondent No. 2-Assistant Commissioner initiated proceedings under Section 79-A and 79-B of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act, 1961 in which the petitioner did not appear before respondent No.2. Accordingly, an ex-parte order came to be passed.

4. In that view of the matter, taking into consideration the fact that Sections 79-A and 79-B of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act, 1961 have been repealed by way of amendment, and following the declaration of law made by this Court in W.P.No.12829



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of 2023, disposed of on 01.04.2025, I am of the opinion that the writ petition deserves to be allowed. Accordingly, I pass the following:

ORDER

- i. The writ petition is ***allowed***.
- ii. The order dated 28.03.2011, produced as Annexure-G, and the order dated 31.10.2018, produced as Annexure-H, passed by respondent No. 2-Assistant Commissioner, are hereby set aside.
- iii. Consequently, respondent No. 3-Tahsildar is directed to enter the name of the petitioner in the revenue records forthwith.

**SD/-
(E.S.INDIRESH)
JUDGE**

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