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WP No. 23166 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 7TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R. NATARAJ

WRIT PETITION NO. 23166 OF 2026 (LA-RES)

BETWEEN:

1. JAYALAKSHMI
W/O LATE T. GOVINDAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 70 YEARS,
2. T.V. PANDURANGA
S/O LATE T. VENKATAPPA
AGED ABOUT 65 YEARS
3. T.V. RAMESH
S/O LATE T. VENKATAPPA
AGED ABOUT 62 YEARS

PETITIONERS ARE RESIDENTS OF NO.468,
1ST CROSS, BASAVANAGUDI,
SHIVAMOGGA-577 201

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. P.N.HARISH.,ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. UNION OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
TRANSPORT BHAVANA 1,
PARLIAMENT STREET,
NEW DELHI-110 001
2. SPECIAL LAND ACQUISITION OFFICER AND
COMPETENT AUTHORITY
NATIONAL HIGHWAYS,

Digitally
signed by
HEMALATHA J
Location:
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K.R. CIRCLE,
BENGALURU-560 009.

3. RAMYA
W/O L. MAHESH
MAJOR IN AGE
R/O GIRIJA, 100M FEET ROAD
SHIVAMOGGA-577 201

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. POOJAPPA J., CGSC FOR R1;
SRI.SHOBITH N SHETTY, ADVOCATE FOR R2
NOTICE TO R3 DISPENSED WITH)

THIS WP IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE
CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO DIRECTING THE
RESPONDENT NO.2 TO CONCLUDE AND DECIDE THE PROCEEDINGS
INITIATED IN LAC ARBT 28/2014-15 AS PER ANNEXURE-J IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW WITH A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME
AND ETC.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R. NATARAJ

ORAL ORDER

The petitioners have sought for a writ in the nature of
mandamus to direct the respondent No.2 to conclude and
decide the proceedings initiated in LAC ARBT 28/2014-15.



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2. (i) The petitioners contend that father of the petitioner No.2 had purchased 24 guntas of land in Sy.No.150/1 of Purle Village and that his name was entered in the revenue records. They contend that the aforesaid land was acquired by the respondent No.1 for the purposes of the respondent No.2 for formation of National Highway. They contend that the mother of petitioner No.2 made a request to the respondent No.2 to issue an award notice in her favour.

(ii) They contend that, she then came to know that there were certain mistakes in the revenue records and the name of the father of the petitioner No.2 was discontinued. Therefore, a representation was given to the Tahsildar to rectify the mistake and to enter her name in the revenue records, which was declined by the Tahsildar resulting in an appeal before the Assistant Commissioner, who in terms of an order dated 05.08.2014 directed the Tahsildar to enter the name of the mother of the petitioner No.2.

(iii) The Tahsildar then again issued an endorsement refusing to enter the name of the petitioners in the revenue records, which was again challenged before the Assistant



Commissioner, who passed an order directing the Tahsildar to enter the name of the petitioners in the revenue records. After considering the report of the Assistant Director of Land Records dated 27.12.2016, the Tahsildar initiated proceedings and after considering the entire material, passed an order dated 23.03.2018 and held that 16 guntas belonging to the petitioners out of 24 guntas owned by them was acquired by the Highways Authority, but compensation was wrongfully disbursed in favour of the respondent No.3.

(iv) The petitioner No.1 then gave representation to the respondent No.2 on 27.10.2021, requesting the respondent No.2 to pay compensation for the land acquired. The respondent No.2 then initiated proceedings in LAC ARBT 28/2014-15 and issued notice to the respondent No.3 and also to the petitioners. The petitioners submitted their representations and objections along with their documents.

(v) The petitioners contend that though the respondent No.2 conducted hearings, after issuing notice to the petitioners and the respondent No.3, the proceeding is not finalized till



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date and therefore seeks for direction to the respondent No.2 to conclude the proceedings as early as possible.

3. The learned counsel for the respondent No.2 submits that proceedings initiated in LAC ARBT 28/2014-15 would be taken up for consideration expeditiously.

4. In view of the aforesaid submission, the Writ Petition is ***disposed of***, directing the respondent No.2 to conclude the proceedings in LAC ARBT 28/2014-15 within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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