



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA,
KALABURAGI BENCH**

DATED THIS THE 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SACHIN SHANKAR MAGADUM

MISCL. FIRST APPEAL NO. 203845 OF 2023 (LAC)

BETWEEN:

1. THE SPECIAL LAND ACQUISITION OFFICER
UKP RAILWAY STATION, INDI
DISTRICT VIJAYAPURA-586101.
2. THE GENERAL MANAGER (LAQ)
UKP, NAVANAGAR, BAGALKOT-587101.

...APPELLANTS

(BY SRI. Y.H. VIJAYAKUMAR, AAG A/W
SRI. VIRANAGOUDA BIRADAR, AGA)

AND:

1. SOMASHEKHAR
S/O SHARANAPPA GORANAL
AGE. MAJOR, OCCUPATION AGRICULTURE
RESIDENCE OF BENAKANAHALLI
TALUKA INDI, DISTRICT VIJAYAPURA-586101.

...RESPONDENT

THIS MFA IS FILED U/S 74(1) OF RIGHT TO FAIR COMPENSATION AND TRANSPARENCY IN LAND ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT ACT, PRAYING TO CALL FOR THE RECORDS IN L.A.C. NO.836/2018 PASSED BY THE III ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE AND ADDITIONAL LAND ACQUISITION REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT AUTHORITY, VIJAYAPURA, DATED 05.01.2023 AND ALLOW THE ABOVE APPEAL AND TO SET ASIDE THE JUDGMENT AND AWARD DATED 05.01.2023 IN L.A.C. NO.836/2018 PASSED BY THE LEARNED III ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE AND



ADDITIONAL LAND ACQUISITION REHABILITATION AND
RESETTLEMENT AUTHORITY, VIJAYAPURA AND ETC.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SACHIN SHANKAR MAGADUM

ORAL JUDGMENT

(PER: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SACHIN SHANKAR MAGADUM)

The present appeal, filed under Section 74(1) of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013, challenges the judgment and award dated 05.01.2023 in LAC No.836/2018. However, the appeal is filed after a delay of 119 days beyond the statutory limitation period of 120 days prescribed under Section 74(1) of the Act. This Court, following the Division Bench ruling in MFA No.102543/2022 dated 23.09.2024, holds that the limitation period under the Act is mandatory and non-extendable. Relying on precedents, including *Union of India vs. Popular Construction Co.* and *State of Kerala vs. V.R. Kalliyankutty (AIR 1999 SC 1305)*, the appeal is



dismissed as time-barred, without addressing the merits.

Parties shall bear their respective costs.

In view of disposal of main appeal, pending applications, if any, stand rejected.

The Court fee paid, if any, shall be refunded in accordance with law.

SD/-
(SACHIN SHANKAR MAGADUM)
JUDGE

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