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NC: 2026:KHC:61756
CRL.P No. 1600 of 2025
C/W CRL.P No. 2794 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 1600 OF 2025 (482(Cr.PC) / 528(BNSS)-)

C/W

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 2794 OF 2026 (482(Cr.PC) / 528(BNSS)-)

IN CRL.P No. 1600/2025
BETWEEN:

1. M/S PUBLIC TV
A KANNADA NEWS SATELLITE TELEVISION
CHANNEL OWNED
RUN AND OPERATED BY
M/S WRITEMEN MEDIA PVT LTD,
A PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY
REGISTERED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF
COMPANIES ACT 1956,
HAVING ITS OFFICE AND PLACE OF
OPERATION AT 4TH FLOOR TTMC,
BMTC BUILDING, YESHWANTHPUR CIRCLE
YESHWANTHPUR
BENGALURU 560022
REP BY SRI H R RANGANATH

2. M/S PUBLIC TV KANNADA
NEWS SATELLITE TELEVISION CHANNEL
OWNED RUN AND OPERATED BY
M/S WRITEMEN MEDIA PVT LTD,
A PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY
REGISTERED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF
COMPANIES ACT 1956,
HAVING ITS OFFICE AND PLACE OF

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OPERATION AT 4TH FLOOR TTMC,
BMTC BUILDING, YESHWANTHPUR CIRCLE
YESHWANTHPUR
BENGALURU 560022
REP BY SRI ARUN KUMAR

…PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. PRASHANTH M M.,ADVOCATE)

AND:

MR D LAKSHMI VENKATESH
AGED ABOUT 58 YEARS,
S/O LATE G DASAPPA,
R/AT NO 156, 7TH CROSS,
2ND STAGE, 10TH MAIN ROAD,
INDIRANAGAR,
BENGALURU 560038

…RESPONDENT

(BY SRI. M PARTHA.,ADVOCATE)

THIS CRIMINAL PETITION IS FILED U/S.482(FILED U/S.528 BNSS) CR.P.C PRAYING TO QUASH ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS IN C.C.NO.13213/2016 ON THE FILE OF THE VIII ADDL.CHIEF JUDGE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, BENGALURU IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ORDERS OF THE LEARNED MAGISTRATE NBW ISSUED DATED 21.09.2024, 26,10.2024 AND 15.01.2025 IN C.C.NO.13213/2016 FOR THE OFFENCE P/U/S 499,500 OF IPC.

IN CRL.P NO. 2794/2026
BETWEEN:

M/S PUBLIC TV
A KANNADA NEWS SATELLITE TELEVISION CHANNEL
OWNED, RUN AND OPERATED BY
M/S WRITEMEN MEDIA PVT.LTD
(A PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY REGISTERED UNDER THE
PROVISIONS OF COMPANIES ACT, 1956,
HAVING ITS OFFICE AND PLACE OF OPERATION
AT 4TH FLOOR, TTMC BMTC BUILDING,
YESHWANTAPUR CIRCLE, YESHWANTAPUR,
BENGALURU 560 022.

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REP BY SRI.MARUTHESH

...PETITIONER

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AND:

MR D LAKSHMI VENKATESH
AGED ABOUT 58 YEARS
S/O OF LATE G. DASAPPA
R/AT NO.156,7TH CROSS, 2ND STATE,
10TH 'A' MAIN ROAD INDIRANAGAR,
BENGALURU 560 038

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI. PARTHA M.,ADVOCATE)

THIS CRIMINAL PETITION IS FILED U/S 482 CR.PC (FILED U/S 528 BNSS) PRAYING TO SET ASIDE THE IMPUGNED ORDERS DATED 29.08.2024, 26.10.2024 AND 15.01.2025 AND PASSED BY THE XLIX ADDITIONAL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, BENGALURU, IN CC.NO.13213/2016 IN SO FAR AS THEY RELATE TO AND EFFECT THE PETITIONER/ACCUSED NO.3 ARISING OUT OF THE PETITIONERS APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 305 OF THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE AND ETC.

SET ASIDE THE SUBSEQUENT IMPUGNED ORDERS DATED 30.09.2025 AND 9.12.2025, PASSED BY THE LEARNED XLIX ADDITIONAL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, BENGALURU IN CC.NO.13213/2016 AFTER TRANSFER OF THE PROCEEDINGS AS BEING ILLEGAL, ARBITRARY AND UNSUSTAINABLE IN LAW.

THESE CRIMINAL PETITIONS, COMING ON FOR ADMISSION, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

ORAL ORDER

Despite the order dated 07.10.2026 having it been made clear that no adjournment would be granted, learned counsel for the petitioner in both the matters once again requests for adjournment. It appears that the petitioner is not interested in

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prosecuting the matter. Hence, the criminal petitions stand ***dismissed*** *for non-prosecution.*

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(SURAJ GOVINDARAJ)
JUDGE

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