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NC: 2026:KHC:62742-DB
WP No. 14034 of 2025

CNR: KAHC010270412025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 27TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANU SIVARAMAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.S.BHARATH KUMAR

WRIT PETITION NO. 14034 OF 2025 (GM-RES-PIL)

BETWEEN:

SRI. M.P. VENUGOPAL
AGE 43 YEARS
OCCUPATION: BUSINESS
ADDRESS: 561, 10 E CROSS
ABG LAYOUT, CHIKKASANDRA
HESARGHATTA MAIN ROAD
BENGALURU-560 090

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. LOKESHA Y., ADVOCATE)

AND:

Digitally signed by PAVITHRA N
Location: High Court of Karnataka

1. SRI. SIDDHARAMAIAH
   AGED 77 YEARS
   S/O LATE SIDDHARAMAIAH GOWDA
   HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER OF KARNATAKA
   ROOM No.321, 3RD FLOOR
   VIDHANA SOUDHA
   BENGALURU-560 001

2. SRI. THUSHARA GIRI NATHA
   FORMER-SECRETARY
   TO THE GOVERNMENT
   DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES
   KARNATAKA SECRETARIAT
   NOW COMMISSIONER - BBMP

N.R. SQUARE, BBMP HEAD OFFICE
BENGALURU-560 002

3. M/S. VEERABHADRAPPA SANGAPPA
AND WAHAB GROUP
No.1/4, BATRA CHAMBERS
1ST FLOOR, CUNNINGHAM ROAD
BENGALURU-560 052

4. M/S. TUMKUR MINERALS PVT. LTD. (ML2175)
RAMANASHREE CHAMBERS
UNIT No.102, 1ST FLOOR
No.37, LADY CURZON ROAD
BENGALURU-560 001

5. M/S. RAMGAD MINERALS & MINING PVT LTD
(ML2010)
NEHRU CO-OPERATIVE COLONY
HOSPET, BELLARY DISTRICT-583 203

6. KARIGANUR MINERAL MINING INDUSTRY
(ML 1799/2075)
WAHAB GROUP, No.1/4 BATRA CHAMBERS
1ST FLOOR, CUNNINGHAM ROAD
BENGALURU-560 052

7. M/S. KARNATAKA LIMPO, (ML 2028)
No.64, 2ND FLOOR
RAILWAY PARALLEL ROAD
KUMARA PARK WEST
BENGALURU-560 020

8. SHRI. M. UPENDRAN, (ML 1957)
No.896, 8TH 'A' MAIN
BASAVESWARANAGAR
BENGALURU-560 079

9. M/S. JAIRAM MINERALS, (ML 2248)
B.H. ROAD, TUMKUR DISTRICT
GUBBI-572 216

10. M/S. MINERAL ENTERPRISES LTD.
(ML 2346)
KHANIJA BHAVAN, No.49
WEST WING, 3RD FLOOR
RACE COURSE ROAD
BENGALURU-560 001

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. SHASHIKRIAN SHETTY, AG A/W
SRI. KHAMROZ KHAN, AGA)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, READ WITH RULE 14(1) OF THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA (PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION RULES, 2018) PRAYING TO (a) ISSUE A WRIT OF MANDAMUS DIRECTING THE GOVERNOR OF KARNATAKA TO SANCTION PROSECUTION AGAINST SRI. SIDDARAMAIAH UNDER THE PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION ACT, 1988 AND ETC.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR HEARING ON INTERLOCUTORY APPLICATION, THIS DAY, JDUGMENT WAS DELIVERED THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANU SIVARAMAN
and
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.S.BHARATH KUMAR

ORAL JUDGMENT

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

When the matter is taken up today, the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner has filed a memo for retirement.

2. This writ petition is filed seeking the following releifs:

> *"a) Issue a writ of mandamus directing the Governor of Karnataka to sanction prosecution against Sri. Siddaramaiah.*
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> *b) Direct the Central Bureau of Investigation(CBI) to conduct an independent inquiry.*
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> *c) Direct the Karnataka Lokayukta to submit a report.*
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> *d) Order cancellation of the mining leases violating statutory provisions.*
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> *e) Direct recovery of financial losses, in the interest of justice and equity."*

3. The learned Advocate General has appeared in the matter and has brought to our notice that the private complaint filed as PCR No.45/2017 had been closed on 14.11.2017. It is submitted that this writ petition is filed with the verbatim same

pleadings and even the prayer would show that the pleadings have been taken verbatim from PCR No.45/2017.

4. It is submitted that on an earlier occasion, a complaint had been lodged before the Lokayuktha which also has been rejected.

5. In the above view of the matter, no further order as sought for is liable to be passed and the writ petition is accordingly ***disposed of***.

All pending interlocutory applications stands disposed of.

Sd/-
(ANU SIVARAMAN)
JUDGE

Sd/-
(K.S.BHARATH KUMAR)
JUDGE

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