NC: 2026:KHC:24327
WP No. 14119 of 2026

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE K.S. HEMALEKHA

WRIT PETITION NO. 14119 OF 2026 (MV)

BETWEEN:

SURESH K.B.,
AGE 52 YEARS,
S/O BASAPPA K.M.,
KOOTHI VILLAGE AND POST,
SOMWARPET TALUK,
KODAGU DISTRICT - 571 236.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. NAGESHA M.E.,ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE REGISTERING AUTHORITY AND
THE REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER,
MADIKERI,
KODAGU DISTRICT - 571 201.

2. THE INSPECTOR OF MOTOR VEHICLES,
REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICE,
MADIKERI,
KODAGU DISTRICT - 571 201.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. B T KOLLER.,AGA)

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Location: HIGH
COURT OF
KARNATAKA

THIS WP IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO CALL FOR RECORDS. QUASHING THE ENDORSEMENT DATED 17.02.2026 ISSUED BY THE REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER, MADIKERI KODAGU IN NO. RTO/MDK/TRANSPORT/2025-26 AS PER ANNX-C AND ETC.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE K.S. HEMALEKHA

ORAL ORDER

The petitioner has approached this Court seeking for the following reliefs:

> "*a) Call for records;*
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> *b) Issue a Writ of Certiorari quashing the endorsement dated: 17.02.2026 issued by the Regional Transport Officer, Madikeri, Kodagu in No.RTO/MDK/Transport/2025-26 as per Annexure-C;*
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> *c) And for a direction to the respondents to allow the petitioner to alter the seating capacity of the vehicle No.KA-18/B-5547 for 33+1;*
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> *d) And for any order or direction as this Hon'ble Court deems fit to pass in the interest of justice*."

2. The Regional Commissioner by the endorsement dated 17.02.2026 (Annexure-C) directed the petitioner to maintain sitting capacity at 43 + 2.

3. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Addl. Government Advocate for the respondents.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner, upon instructions, fairly submits that the petitioner does not intend to challenge the impugned endorsement on merits and only seeks reasonable time to comply with the said order.

5. Learned AGA for the respondents submits that some time may be granted to the petitioner for compliance.

6. Having regard to the submission made by both sides and in view of the fact that the petitioner is willing to comply the endorsement dated 17.02.2026 (Annexure-C), this Court is of the opinion that the ends of justice would be met by granting reasonable time to the petitioner to implement the said order. Accordingly, this Court pass the following:

ORDER

i) The Writ Petition stands ***disposed of***.

ii) The petitioner is granted four(4) weeks' time from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order to comply with the endorsement dated 17.02.2026 (Annexure-C).

Sd/-

JUSTICE K.S. HEMALEKHA

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