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NC: 2026:KHC:65308-DB
CCC No. 785 of 2020

CNR: KAHC010412672020

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE D K SINGH

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.SHANTHI BHUSHAN

CIVIL CONTEMPT PETITION NO. 785 OF 2020

BETWEEN:

1. SHRUTHI R
D/O LATE. RANGASWAMY
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
NO.573, SOGASU, 11TH MAIN,
ALANAHALLY LAYOUT,
MYSORE-570 011.

2. SOWMYA PRFABHA B C D/O M CHELUVARAYA SWAMY,
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
R/AT NO.63/A, DURGAPARAMESHWARI MOHALLA,
WARD NO.12, BANNUR, T NARASIPURA TALUK,
MYSORE DISTRICT-571 101.

3. RAMYA S D/O SRINIVAS,
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,
R/AT K.G RAOD, BEHIND CHIKKAGARADI,
GANGAM, SRIRANGAPATNA TALUK,
MANDYA DISTRICT-571 477.

4. RAJESH KUMAR C N S/O NAGARAJU N,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
R/AT CHIKKAMULAGODU,
ANASALE POST, HIRIGAVALU HOBLI,
MALAVALLI TALUK,
MANDYA DISTRICT-571 424.

5. DR. S SRINIVASA S/O D SIDDARAMU
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS
R/AT NO. K.T.36, 10TH CROSS,
CHAMUNDESHWARI NAGARA,
MANDYA -571401

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6. DR. TEJASWINI T V
D/O TAILUR VENKATAKRISHNA
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS
R/AT 2958, 4TH CROSS,
NEHRU NAGARA, MANDYA-571 401.

7. DR. SWAMY N S/O NAGARAJU,
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS,
R/AT OF GANJAM,
SRIRANGAPATNA TALUK,
MANDYA DISTRICT-571 477.

8. DR. CHANDRASHEKARA H R S/O RAMEGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
R/AT HIRALAHALLI, SHILANERE HOBLI
K R PET TALUK, MANDYA DISTRICT-571 426.

9. DR. NAMITHA P D/O PUTTARAJU
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
R/AT NO. 20-235, K G ROAD,
GANJAM, SRIRANGAPATNA TALUK,
MANDYA DISTRICT-571 477.

10. DR. REVANNA M L S/O LATE LINGAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS,
R/AT MARADEVANAHALLI,
CHANDAGALLU POST, DUDDA HOBLI,
MANDYA TALUK AND DISTRICT-571 405.

11. DR. RAMYA Y P W/O J M RAVIKUMAR,
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS,
R/AT NO. 956, AGNI AMSHA ROAD,
1ST CROSS, 1ST FLOOR, E & F BLOCK,
KUVEMPU NAGAR, MYSORE-570 023.

12. DR. GANESH S/O SHIVAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS,
R/AT AGASARAHALLI, BOOKANAKERE HOBLI,
K R PET TALUK, MANDYA DISTRICT-571 426.

13. SHILPA N D/O NARAYANAPPA M,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
NO.604, CHRISTIAN ROAD,
PALAHALLI, SRIRANGAPATTANA TALUK,
MANDYA DISTRICT-571 438.

14. DEVARAJU A R S/O RAJANNA,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
R/AT ANATAHALLI, (BELLUR PALYA),
HULIYURDURGA HOBLI, KUNIGAL TALUK,
TUMKUR DISTRICT-572 123.

15. PRASANNA KUMAR T K S/O KALEGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/AT THAGGALLI MANDYA TALUK,
AND DISTRICT-571 403.

16. KUMAR B R S/O RAMA NAYAKA,
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS,
NO. 615, CHAMUNDESHWARI NILAYA,
3RD BLOCK, HOSA BUDANURU VILLAGE & POST,
BUDANURU, MANDYA-571 404.

17. CHETHAN B N S/O NARAYANA B M,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
R/AT HOSA BUDANURU VILLAGE & POST,
BUDANURU, MANDYA-571 404.

18. CHANDUSRI H N D/O NAGARAJU H C,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
NO.273, SIDESHWARA NILAYA,
2ND CROSS, HALAHALI,
MANDYA-571 401.

19. MAHENDRA K B S/O BASAVARAJU,
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
R/AT KUNDAHALLI, MAKAVALLI POST,
K R PET TALUK, MANDYA DISTRICT-571 426.

20. SHIVAKUMARA SWAMY B N,
S/O NAGARAJU K V,
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
R/AT DODDABANASAWADI,
KEELARA POST, KERAGODU HOBLI,
MANDYA TALUK AND DISTRICT-571 450.

21. DR SIDDAPPAJI D,
S/O LATE DODDASIDDAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
R/AT UGANIYA VILLAGE, PALYA POST, KOLLEGALA TALUK,
CHAMARAJANAGAR DISTRICT-571 440.

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22. DR ANANDA C,
S/O CHIKKACHANNIAH,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/AT 1199, 4TH /11TH CROSS,
E & F BLOCK, RAMAKRISHNANAGAR,
MYSORE-570 022.

23. DR KARIYANNA E S/O EERANNA D B,
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
R/AT NISHADA NILAYA,
BANGARANAYAKABETTA VILLAGE,
PAVAGARA TALUK,
TUMKUR DISTRICT-561 202.

24. PAVITHRA M K W/O VASANTH KUMAR V,
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
NO. 2, 1ST MAION, 13TH A CROSS,
ITTAMADU MAIN ROAD,
BSK III STAGE, HOSAKEREHALLI,
BANGALORE-560 085.

25. DR SHIVAIAH M S/O LATE MUTTARAYAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS,
R/AT I.D.HALLI GRAM,
PANCHAYATH, MADHURGIRI TALUK,
TUMKUR DISTRICT-572 124.

26. SHRUTHISHREE M K,
D/O DR M H KONDARASAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
R/AT 314, 8TH MAIN,
ALANAHALLY LAYOUT,
MYSORE-570 028.

27. JANHAVI NANDISH D/O M P NANDISH,
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
R/AT NO. 95, 2ND CROSS,
BEHIND LIC OFFICE,
BANDIGOWDA LAYOUT,
MANDYA-571 401.

…COMPLAINANTS

(BY SRI. RAJENDRA KUMAR SUNGAY T P, ADV., FOR C1 TO 5,
7 TO 14 & 17 TO 27;
SRI. V S HEGDE, ADVOCATE FOR C6, C15 & 16)

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AND:

1. KUMAR NAIK G
   PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
   STATE OF KARNATAKA
   DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
   (UNIVERSITIES)
   M S BUILDING, BANGALORE-560 001.

2. DR.PUTTARAJU
   VICE-CHANCELLOR
   MANDYA UNIVERSITY,
   M C ROAD, MANDYA-571 401.

…ACCUSED

(BY SRI. B RAINDRANATH, AGA FOR A1;
SRI. H C SHIVARAMU, ADVOCATE FOR A2)

THIS CCC IS FILED UNDER SECTIONS 11 AND 12 OF THE CONTEMPT OF COURT ACT, PRAYING TO INITIATE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST BOTH THE ACCUSED FOR HAVING DELIBERATELY DISOBEYED THE COMMON ORDERS PASSED BY THIS HON'BLE COURT IN W.P.NO.10015/2020 (S) C/W W.P.NO.8937/2020 (S) DATED 20.10.2020 AND 10.12.2020 RESPECTIVELY AND PASS SUCH OTHER ORDER/S AS DEEMS FIT, IN THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE INCLUDING COSTS.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR RECORDING OF EVIDENCE, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE D K SINGH
AND
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.SHANTHI BHUSHAN

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ORAL ORDER

(PER: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE D K SINGH)

The present contempt petition has been filed alleging willful disobedience and non-compliance of the orders dated 20.10.2020 passed in W.P.No.10015/2020 and dated 10.12.2020 passed in W.P.No.10015/2020 c/w W.P.No.8937/2020 by the Writ Court.

2. For the sake of convenience, parties shall be referred to as per their status before the Writ Court.

3. The petitioners were appointed as Guest Lecturers for the academic year 2019-2020 in the Mandya University.

4. The petitioners, apprehending their discontinuation after completion of the academic year filed the above writ petitions. The Writ Court passed an interim order directing the second respondent/Mandya University to pay arrears of salary to the petitioners and continue to pay the salary until further orders.

5. The present contempt petition has been filed alleging that the petitioners were not paid the salary as

directed by the Writ Court and they were entitled for salary of Rs.36,000/- per month. The said writ petitions have finally been disposed of by the Writ Court vide order dated 18.02.2021. The petitioners/complainants had been directed to continue till the end of the Academic Year 2020-21 and in the meantime, they would be entitled to salary that they were offered to, in terms of the orders of appointment for the Guest Lecturers.

6. Petitioners in compliance of the interim order passed by the Writ Court have to be paid the maximum salary of Rs.28,000/- - Rs.36,000/- per month. However, as per the appointment orders, they were entitled for Rs.1,000/- per hour and Rs.600/- per hour, maximum up to Rs.36,000/- and Rs.28,000/- per month.

7. As per the compliance affidavit filed by the University, it is noticed that the petitioners have been paid as per their entitlement in terms of the appointment orders. There cannot be two orders i.e., one in pursuance to the interim order and another in pursuance to the final order for payment of salary.

8. It is well settled that the interim order merges with the final order. When in the final order, a direction has been given for payment of salary/remuneration to the Guest Lecturers as per their appointment orders, there cannot be a different remuneration or salary in terms of the interim order. We, therefore, find that no contempt survives for consideration.

Accordingly, the Contempt Petition is ***dismissed***. The contempt notice stands discharged.

If any of the complainant/petitioner feels that he/she has not been paid salary in terms of his appointment order, he/she may make a representation and the second respondent/University is directed to consider the representation, if filed and make the payment in terms of the appointment orders.

Sd/-
(D K SINGH)
JUDGE

Sd/-
(H.SHANTHI BHUSHAN)
JUDGE

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