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WP No. 20919 of 2025
CNR: KAHC010465032025

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU**

**DATED THIS THE 21ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026**

**BEFORE**

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE C.M. POONACHA**

**WRIT PETITION NO. 20919 OF 2025 (GM-KSR)**

**BETWEEN:**

1. THE KANNADA SAHITYA PARISHATTU
REGISTERED SOCIETY UNDER THE
KARNATAKA SOCIETIES
REGISTRATION ACT, 1960
OFF/AT PAMPA MAHAKAVI ROAD,
CHAMARAJAPETE,
BENGALURU - 560 018
REP. BY ITS PRESIDENT.
NADOJA DR. MAHESH JOSHI
S/O LATE SRI. HANUMANTH BHAT JOSHI.

2. SRI.NADOJA DR. MAHESH JOSHI
S/O LATE SRI. HANUMANTH BHAT JOSHI
AGED ABOUT 68 YEARS,
PRESIDENT, KANNADA SAHITYA PARISHAT,
PAMPA MAHAKAVI ROAD,
CHAMARAJAPETE,
BENGALURU-560 018.

ALSO AT
NO.10, 'GURU GOVINDA KRUPA'
16TH MAIN ROAD, R.K LAYOUT,
3RD STAGE, PADMANABHANAGAR,
BENGALURU - 560 070.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. SUYOG HERELE E.,ADVOCATE)

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**AND:**

1. THE SECRETARY
   DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATION,
   VIDHANA SOUDHA,
   AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
   BENGALURU - 560 001.

2. THE REGISTRAR OF COOPERATIVE
   SOCIETIES, ALI ASKAR ROAD,
   NEAR RAJ BHAVAN,
   BENGALURU - 560 052.

3. THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR
   OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES,
   AND DISTRICT REGISTRAR UNDER
   THE KARNATAKA SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT
   AND DEPUTY REGISTRAR,
   II CIRCLE, BENGALURU URBAN DISTRICT,
   NO. 146, "SAHAKAR SOUDHA'',
   2ND FLOOR, 8TH CROSS ROAD,
   3RD MAIN ROAD, MARGOSA ROAD,
   MALLESHWARAM,
   BENGALURU-560 003.

4. SRI. B.K. SALEEM
   DISTRICT REGISTRAR UNDER THE
   KARNATAKA SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT
   AND DEPUTY REGISTRAR,
   II CIRCLE, BENGALURU URBAN DISTRICT,
   NO.146, SAHAKAR SOUDHA 2ND FLOOR,
   8TH CROSS ROAD, 3RD MAIN ROAD,
   MARGOSA ROAD, MALLESHWARAM,
   BENGALURU-560 003.

5. THE ENQUIRY OFFICER AND DEPUTY REGISTRAR
   OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES,
   SRI. SHASHIDHAR IV CIRCLE,
   BENGALURU URBAN DISTRICT,

NO. 146, SAHAKAR SOUDHA
2ND FLOOR, 8TH CROSS ROAD,
3RD MAIN ROAD,
MARGOSA ROAD,
MALLESHWARAM,
BENGALURU-560 003.

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. A.S. HARISHA, AGA FOR R1 TO R3)

THIS W.P. IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO I) QUASH/DECLARE THE ORDER DATED 27-06-2025 IN NO. DRB-2/ SAM SAM/ DURU/12/2025-26 ISSUED BY THE RESPONDENT NO.3 AS ILLEGAL, WITHOUT JURISDICTION AND CONTRARY TO THE LAW. (PRODUCED AT ANNEXURE-A) AND ETC.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE C.M. POONACHA

**ORAL ORDER**

1. Present writ petition is filed seeking for the following reliefs:

> *" i). Issue a Writ in the nature of Certiorari and quash/declare the order dated 27.06.2025 in no. DRB-2/ Sam.Sam/ Duru/ 12/ 2025-26 issued by the respondent No.3 as illegal, without jurisdiction and contrary to the law insofar as petitioner is concerned. (Produced at Annexure-A).*

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*ii. Issue a Writ in the nature of Certiorari and quash the Order dated 30-06-2025 in NO.DRB-2/Sam. Samsthe/Kalm 25/04/2025-26 issued by the Respondent no.3 thereby initiating enquiry against the Petitioner no.1 and all further proceeding pursuant thereto, (produced at Annexure-B).*

*iii. Issue a Writ in the nature of mandamus directing Respondent No.4 to refund the loss of Rs.8,40,850/- (eight lakh fourty thousand eight hundred and fifty only) caused to the Petitioner No.1 by Respondent No.4 in view of the order dated: 27-06-2025 passed by him in a high-handed manner without any authority and jurisdiction under the law (produced at Annexure-A) along with other damages, in the interest of justice and equity.*

*iv. Issue a Writ in the nature of mandamus and direct the Respondent no.1 to initiate disciplinary action against Respondent no.4 for abusing, misusing and exceeding his powers in issuing the impugned order of cancelling the Annual General Meeting of the Petitioner No.1 schedule on 29-06-2025 (produced at Annexure-A).*

*v. Issue a Writ in the nature of mandamus, direct the Respondent no.3 to permit the Petitioners to hold their annual general body meeting for the year 2023-2024 at Sandur, Bellari District, in accordance with their bye-law, in the interest of justice and equity.*

*vi. Issue any other Writ or Order and grant such other and further relief as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit in the facts and circumstance of the case, in the interest of justice and equity."*

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners has filed a memo placing on record that the petition prayer No.ii would not survive for consideration in view of subsequent developments.

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Hence, learned counsel for the petitioners does not press prayer No.ii in the writ petition.

3. With regard to prayer Nos.iii, iv and v, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the said prayers in the present proceedings are not pressed and the petitioners seek liberty to urge the contentions, *vis-a-vis* the said reliefs in an appropriate proceedings.

4. Prayer No.i in the Writ Petition reads as under:

> *" i). Issue a Writ in the nature of Certiorari and quash/declare the order dated 27.06.2025 in no. DRB-2/ Sam.Sam/ Duru/ 12/ 2025-26 issued by the respondent No.3 as illegal, without jurisdiction and contrary to the law insofar as petitioner is concerned. (Produced at Annexure-A). "*

5. This Court while considering the interim relief sought for by the petitioners, by a detailed Order dated 25.07.2025 has *inter-alia* held that, *"the petitioners-Society would be entitled to hold their Annual General Body Meeting at its discretion"*.

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6. Accordingly the prayer No.1, wherein the order dated 25.07.2025 passed by respondent No.3 is to be quashed and is accordingly quashed.

7. Writ petition is ***disposed of*** in the aforementioned note.

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**(C.M. POONACHA)**
**JUDGE**

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