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NC: 2026:KHC:55174
WP No. 30266 of 2026

CNR: KAHC010661072026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 05TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE E.S.INDIRESH

WRIT PETITION NO.30266 OF 2026 (KLR-RR/SUR)

BETWEEN:

1. SRI. THAMMADI GOWDA
   S/O. LATE DODDALINGE GOWDA
   AGED ABOUT 76 YEARS,
   R/AT. D. SALUNDI VILLAGE,
   JAYAPURA HOBLI,
   MYSURU TALUK,
   MYSURU DISTRICT,
   KARNATAKA- 570008.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. RAJARAMA S., ADVOCATE)

AND:

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Location: HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
   REPRESENTED BY
   CHIEF SECRETARY (REVENUE)
   DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
   M.S. BUILDING,
   BENGALURU - 560001.

2. THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
   OFFICE AT
   DEPUTY COMMISSIONERS OFFICE BUILDING,
   MYSURU DISTRICT- 571001.

3. THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
MYSORE SUB-DIVISION
MYSURU – 571001.

4. TAHSILDAR,
MYSORE TALUK,
MYSURU – 571001.

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. SHAMANTH NAIK, AGA)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO QUASH THE IMPUGNED ENDORSEMENT NO. TAHMYS-LND/LND /JA/1785/2025 E-933070 DATED 07.08.2025 ISSUED BY THE RESPONDENT NO.4 VIDE ANNEXURE –A.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE E.S.INDIRESH

ORAL ORDER

1. Learned Additional Government Advocate accepts notice for respondents.

2. Heard Sri. Rajarama S., learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, and Sri. Shamanth Naik,

learned Additional Government Advocate appearing for the respondent-State.

3. In this writ petition, the petitioner is assailing the Endorsement dated 07.08.2025 at Annexure-A issued by respondent No.4-Tahsildar.

4. Having heard the learned counsel appearing for the parties and on careful consideration of the impugned Endorsement at Annexure-A, it is observed that respondent No.4 has stated that the land in question belonged to the Forest Department. However, no material has been placed on record by way of any notification that has been issued by the competent authority declaring the land in question as deemed forest land.

5. In that view of the matter, the impugned Endorsement dated 07.08.2025 at Annexure-A issued

by respondent No.4 cannot be sustained in law and is liable to be set aside.

6. Accordingly, the writ petition is ***allowed***. The impugned Endorsement dated 07.08.2025 at Annexure-A issued by respondent No.4-Tahsildar is hereby set aside.

7. The matter is remitted to respondent No.4 to reconsider the same and take an appropriate decision in accordance with law, after considering the relevant material, including any material relied upon to establish that the land in question is forest land.

8. In the meanwhile, the respondent-authorities shall not take any coercive steps against the petitioner in respect of the land in question.

SD/-
(E.S.INDIRESH)
JUDGE

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