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NC: 2026:KHC:60147
CRL.P No. 15991 of 2026

CNR: KAHC010721822026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 15991 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

1. M. G. DEVENDRAPPA
   AGED ABOUT 56 YEARS,
   S/O M.G. RUDRAPPA GOWDRU
   R/AT NO.24, VINAYAKA BEEDI,
   4TH CROSS, JANATHA COLONY,
   GAJANUR SHIMOGA,
   KARNATAKA - 577 202.

2. M.G. KANTHARAJA
   AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS
   S/O. M.G. RUDRAPPA GOWDA
   R/AT NO.24, VINAYAKA BEEDI,
   4TH CROSS GAJANUR, SHIMOGA
   KARNATAKA - 577 202.

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3. MRS. CHANDRAKALA
   AGED ABOUT 44 YEARS
   W/O. M.G. KANTHARAJA
   R/AT NO.24, VINAYAKA BEEDI,
   4TH CROSS, JANATHA COLONY,
   GAJANURU SHIMOGA,
   KARNATAKA - 577 202.

4. M.G. UMESH
   AGED ABOUT 52 YEARS

S/O. RUDRAPPA GOWDA
R/AT NO.JANATHA COLONY,
4TH CROSS, GAJANURU,
SHIMOGA, KARNATAKA - 577 202.

5. MRS. LATHA
AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS,
W/O. M.G. UMESHA
R/AT 4TH CROSS, JANATHA COLONY
GAJANURU, SHIMOGA
KARNATAKA - 577 202.

6. MRS. SAVITHA
AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS
W/O. M.G. DEVENDRAPPA
R/AT NO.24, VINAYAKA BEEDI,
4TH CROSS, GAJANUR, SHIMOGA
KARNATAKA - 577 202.

7. MR. G.D. VIKAS
AGED ABOUT 20 YEARS
S/O. M.G. DEVENDRAPPA
R/AT NO.24, VINAYAKA BEEDI,
4TH CROSS, GAJANUR, SHIMOGA
KARNATAKA - 577 202.

8. M.G. CHANNESHAPPA
AGED ABOUT 63 YEARS
S/O.RUDRAPPA GOWDA
R/AT MULLAKERE, GAJANURU
SHIMOGA, KARNATAKA - 577 202.

9. MRS. SHILPA
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS

W/O.M.G. LOKESH
R/AT NO.24, VINAYAKA BEEDI,
4TH CROSS, GAJANUR, SHIMOGA
KARNATAKA - 577 202.

…PETITIONERS

(BY SMT. AKSHATHA SHETTY K, ADVOCATE)

AND:

STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY STATION HOUSE OFFICER
SHIVAMOGGA DCRE PS
REP. BY THE STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT BUILDING
VIDHANA VEEDHI ROAD
BENGALURU - 560 001.

…RESPONDENT

(BY SRI. RAHUL RAI K, HCGP)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 438 OF CR.P.C (U/S 482 BNSS) PRAYING TO GRANT ANTICIPATORY BAIL BY DIRECTING THE RESPONDENT IN THE EVENT OF ARREST OF THE PETITIONERS AND TO ENLARGE THEPETITIONERS ON BAIL ARISING OUT OF CR.NO.15/2026 REGISTERED BY SHIVAMOGGA DCRE P.S., FOR THE OFFENCES P/U/S 329(3), 352, 352(2), 109, 115(2), 3(5), 74 OF BNS, U/S 3(1)(r)(s), 3(1)(w)(i)(ii), 3(2)(va) OF SC/ST (POA) AMENDMENT ACT, 2015, PENDING BEFORE THE ADDL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE, SHIVAMOGGA.

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

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that inadvertently he has filed this Criminal petition instead of filing a Criminal appeal as provided under Section 14A (2) of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989. He submits that the petitioner may be permitted to convert this criminal petition into Criminal appeal.

2. The said submission is placed on record.

3. Petitioner is permitted to convert this Criminal petition into Criminal appeal as aforesaid. For statistical purpose, this Criminal petition stands ***disposed of***.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

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