

WP No. 1464 of 2024
C/W WA No. 1218 of 2023
WP No. 52772 of 2019
AND 15 OTHERS

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE D K SINGH

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.SHANTHI BHUSHAN

WRIT PETITION NO. 1464 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

C/W

WRIT APPEAL NO. 1218 OF 2023 (S-RES)

WRIT PETITION NO. 52772 OF 2019 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 23162 OF 2023 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 23450 OF 2023 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 27336 OF 2023 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 27517 OF 2023 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 28614 OF 2023 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 29056 OF 2023 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 863 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 1633 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 1900 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 2034 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 7927 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 9473 OF 2024 (S-RES)

WRIT PETITION NO. 16343 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 24251 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

WRIT PETITION NO. 24410 OF 2024 (S-KSAT)

IN WP No. 1464/2024

BETWEEN:

1. SRI RAVEENDRA B MANAMI
S/O BASAVARAJU

Digitally
signed by
VASANTHA
KUMARY B K

Location:
HIGH
COURT OF
KARNATAKA



AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
R/A C-701
NEAR VITTAL TEMPLE
MORAB POST
NAVALAGUNDA TALUK
DHARWAD DISTRICT-580112

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. OMKAR KAMBI FOR
SRI. SURAJ NAIK., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS ADDITIONAL
CHIEF SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
VIDHANA SOUDHA
BANGALORE-560001
2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF
COLLEGIATE EDUCATION
ROOM NO.645A
6TH FLOOR, M S BUILDING
BANGALORE-560001
3. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
18TH CROSS, SAMPIGE ROAD
MALLESHWARAM
BANGALORE-560012
4. SRI VISHWARAJ
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
REG NO.G2068
HO.NO.106, KADI TALUK
KALBURGI DISTRICT-585308

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5. SMT SWETHA
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
REG NO.G3273
DHANNUR S, BHALKI TALUK
BIDAR DISTRICT-58413
6. SMT SAMATHA URS C
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
REG NO.A2025
C/O SUNDARSHAN B
WARD NO.2, ANEGUNDU
GANGAVATHI TALUK
KOPPAL DISTRICT-583227

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 & R2;
SMT. PRAMODINI KISHAN, ADVOCATE FOR R3;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SMT. AISHWARYA S.M, ADVOCATE FOR R4 TO R6)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO CALL FOR THE ENTIRE RECORDS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION 1310/2023 BEFORE THE HON'BLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU AND QUASH THE FINAL ORDER DATED 22.09.2023 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU IN APPLICATION No. 1310/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE A) AND FURTHER ALLOW THE APPLICATION No. 1310/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-B) AND GRANT THE RELIEFS AS PRAYED BEFORE THE TRIBUNAL, INsofar AS THEY PERTAIN TO TE PETITIONER HEREIN, ETC.

IN WA NO. 1218/2023 (IN WP.No.6588/2023)

BETWEEN:

1. MR. RAJESH. Y. N.
S/O. NARAYANAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
R/AT YANADAHALLI,

HUTTUR POST,
KARNATAKA-563 101.

2. MR. PRADEEP KUMAR
S/O. GOOLIE GOWDA,
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO. 248A,
MALAVALLI TALUK,
YETHAMABADI, MANDYA,
KARNATAKA-571 421.
3. MR. SHASHIKIRAN SHETTY
S/O. CHANDRASHEKAR SHETTY,
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO. 3,
DINADAKAL HOUSE,
BALKUR POST AND VILLAGE,
NEAR GOVT HIGH SCHOOL,
UDUPI - 576 211.
4. MR. SUNIL. L.M.
S/O. MANJEGOWDA,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
LALANAKERE,
HASSAN ARASIKERE,
HASSAN DISTRICT-573 164.
5. MR. RAMESHGOUDA BIRADAR
S/O. GURUGOUDA,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
R/AT KAJIBILAGI,
JAMKHANDI TALUK,
BAGALKOT DISTRICT-587 330.

...APPELLANTS

(BY SRI. PRITHVEESH M K., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP BY ITS CHIEF SECRETARY,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU-560 001.

2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP BY ITS UNDER SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
M.S. BUILDING,
AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU-560 001.

ALSO AT: VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU-560 001.
3. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP BY ITS UNDER SECRETARY,
(HYDERABAD KARNATAKA SPECIAL CELL),
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONAL
AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
M.S. BUILDING,
AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU-560 001.
4. THE KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION
CORPORATION LIMITED
DIRECTOR ADMIN AND HR,
1ST FLOOR, KAVERI BHAVAN,
K.G. ROAD, BENGALURU-560009.
5. THE KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REP BY ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
SAMPIGE ROAD,
18TH CROSS, MALLESHWARAM,
BENGALURU-560 012.
6. MR. CHANDRAKANT
S/O. SRI KASHAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/AT NO. 5/138,
NALEGAON, DHYMANSOOR (POST),
HUMANBAD BIDAR,
BIDAR-585 353.
7. MR. SURESH. M
S/O. SRI TAMMANNA,

AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/AT C/O. 216,
RTPS COLONY,
SHAKTHINAGAR,
RAICHUR-584 170.

8. MR. VISHWARADHYA DEVARNAVADAGI
S/O. SRI MALAKANNA DEVARNAVADAGI,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
MATOLIMALLABAD (POST),
AFZAL PUR (TQ),
KALABURAGI-585 301.
9. MR. PATIL KOTRAGOUDA
S/O. SRI GURUBASAVANAGOUDA. P,
AGED ABOUT 22 YEARS,
HARAKANALU,
HARAPANAHLLI,
VIJAYANAGAR-583 219.
10. MR. SIDDIAIAH
S/O. SRI. BRAHAMANDAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
NO. 112, WARD NO.1,
URABAVI, UTTANGI (POST),
HADAGALLI (TALUK),
VIJAYANAGAR-583 219.
11. MR. SHIVAKANT
S/O. SRIPRABHU RAO,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT GOBBUR WADI
KAMALAPUR (TALUK),
KALABURAGI-585 313.
12. MR. PRAKASH WAGDARI
S/O. SRI NINGANNA WAGDARI,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOSUR (POST),
AFZALPUR (TALUK),
KALABURAGI-585 217.

13. MR SHRISHAIL
S/O SRI MALLANNA NAYAK
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
HOUSE NO.16/1/15/45A,
BASAVACHAOWKA
REVANSIDDHESHWARA COLONY
ALAND, KALABURAGI--585302
14. MR DHANRAJ
S/O SRI ERANNA
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
KURIKOTA(POST)
KAMALAPUR(TALUK)
KALABURAGI-585316
15. MR SATISHA K
S/O SRI ESHAPPAK
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
2ND WARD
NEAR RAMASWAMY TEMPLE
E SANDUR, SANDUR(TQ)
BELLARY-583119
16. MR SHASHIKUMAR
S/O SRI SAIBANNA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
NO.6-16/A
SULEPETH CHINCHOLI(TQ)
KALABURAGI-585324
17. MR CHANNAVEER
S/O SRI SHANTAVIRAPPA PATIL
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
HOUSE NO.545/13-3
BHAVANI NAGAR
NEAR KEB POWER HOUSE
NANDI COLONY
KALABURAGI-585104
18. MR RAGHAVENDRA
S/O SRI MALIYAPPA
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS

HOUSE NO.98, IST WARD
ASHRAYA COLONY
DOWLATHAPURA ROAD
SNADUR BALLARI-583115

19. MR MULIMANIMANJUNATHA
S/O SR IVIRUPAKSHAPPA M
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
IST WARD, METRI(POST)
KAMPLI(TQ)
BELLARY-583129
20. MR MALLANNA
S/O SRIVEERANNA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
NAGARABENCHI POST
MASKI
RAICHUR-574124
21. MR SUNILKUMAR
S/O SRI HANUMANTARAYAKARAJAGI
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
PLOT NO.3, S NO.5/1
BIDDAPUR COLONY
NEAR JAI HANUMAN SCHOOL
KALABURAGI-585103
22. MR MANJUNATHA
S/O SRI K EKANTHA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
26TH WARD, DOOR NO.3
21, JAGRUTHI NAGAR
IST CROSS BALLARI-583102
23. MR VIJAYA
S/O SRIGANGADHARA
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
WARD NO.1,
OPP GRAMAPANCHAYATHI
SANGANAKAL, VTC BELLARY(POST)
BELLARY-583115

24. MR K ANILKUMAR
S/O SRI MALLIKARJUNA
AGED ABOUT 22 YEARS
SULTHANAPUR
CHIKKANTAPUR POST
SANDUR TQ
BALLARI-583115
25. MR YOGESH B
S/O SRI BASAVALINGAIAH
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS
NO.1414, 2ND CROSS
CORPORATION COLONY
GOVINDARAJNAGAR
BENGALURU-560079
26. MRS ASHIWINI B V
D/O SRI B T VENKATESH
NO.2/21, 11TH CROSS
BOVIPALYA
MAHALAKSHMIPURAM
BENGALURU-560086
27. MRS SOWMYA
D/O SRI NAGARAJU L
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
3RD CROSS, NARAYANAPPA BADAVANE
TB CROSS, DODDABALLAPURA TOWN
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT-561203
28. MR SUHAS G R
S/O SRI GANGADHARASWAMY K
NO.396, 6TH CROSS
KALIKAMBATEMPLE ROAD
RANGANATHAPURA
KAMAKHIPALYA
BENGALURU-560079
29. MR MANORANJAN
S/O SRI RAMESH V
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS
NO.33, 4TH MAIN

KALYANANAGAR
NAGARABAVI MAIN ROAD
BENGALURU-560072

30. MRS RANJITHA K.R
D/O SRI RAMACHANDRA G
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
J603, PRINCE TOWN APARTMENT
SHETTIHALLI
JALAHALLI WEST
BENGALRU-560013
31. MR CHARAN SINGH
S/O SRI SURENDRA SINGH
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS
NO.46, NEAR NAGALAND CIRCLE
JALAHALLI, BENGALURU-560013
32. MR KARTHIK Y S
S/O SRI SATHYA NARAYANA H
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS
311/1, MARUTHINILAYA
2ND WARD, 3A CROSS
DARGA ROAD
NEAR CHOWDESHWARI TEMPLE
YELAHANAKA
BENGALURU URBAN-560064
33. MR NAVEEN KUMAR B R
S/O SRI RAMAKRISHNAIAH
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS
NO.76, BARADI VILLAGE
MANDIGERE POST
NELAMANGALA TALUK
BENGALURU RURAL-562123
34. MRS CHITHRA.AM
D/O SRI MANJEGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
NO.174, ADAGURUVILLAGE AND PSOT
KASABA HOBLI

CHANNARAYAPATNA TALUK
HASSAN-573116

35. MRS RAKSHA S SIRIGERE
D/O SRI SHIVALINGAPPA S
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
MARUTHI STREET
MALEBENNUR
HARIHARA TALUK
DAVANAGERE-577530
36. MR LATHESH SHETTY K K
S/O SRI KRISHNA MURHTY K C
AGED ABOUT 21 YEARS
NO.13, 5TH MAIN, 3RD CROSS
SARASWATHIPURAM
MYSURU-570009
37. MRS ARCHANA R
D/O SRI RANGASWAMY
AGED ABOUT 21 YEARS
NO.6/D, 6TH CROSS MAIN ROAD
RAJENDRANAGAR
MYSORE-570007
38. MRS K R RAGHAVENDRA
S/O SRI K N RAJASHEKARAIHAH
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
OPP AMBEDKAR BHAVANA
IST CROSS
KANCHAGATTA
TIPTUR
TUMKUR DISTRICT-572201
39. MR NAVEEN S
S/O SRISHIVANNA
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS
MARIGOWDANADODDI VILLAGE
HALAGURU HOBALI
BYDRAHALLI
MANDYA-571421

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40. MR. MANASA M H
S/O SRI.MOHANA Y.D,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
ELEKOPPA VILLAGE,
NELLIGEREPOST,
NAGAMANAGALA TALUK,
MANDYA- 571 418
41. MR. RAGHUVeer K B
S/O SRI. BHASKARA SETTY K
NO. 97/1, OPP RAMAMAN
DIRA KERELAPURA,
ARAKALAGUDU TALUK
HASSAN 573 136
42. MR. KARTHIK S
S/O SRI. SUGEEERAPPA H
NO. 1234/195, 2nd MAIN,
9th CROSS,
NEAR MAGANUR BASAPPA HIGH SCHOOL
TARALABALU BADAVANE,
VIDYANAGARA, DAVANGERE-577 005
43. MR. MADAN C
S/O SRI CHANDRU
AGED ABOUT 28 YARS,
27, C.R. PALYA VILLAGE,
GUJJANADU POST,
PAVAGADA TALUK,
TUMKUR 572 116
44. MR. NANDISHA T N
S/O SRI NANJUNDE GOWDA,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
NO. 64, KERE STREET
THOREBOMMANAHALLY
HONNAYAKANAHALLY POST
MODDUR, MANDYA 571 422
45. MR. RAMACHANDRA R
S/O SRI RAMAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,

NO. 226, MODUR VILLAGE
AND POST,
OLD MILL ROAD,
BOOKANAKERE HOBLI,
KRISHNARAJAPETE TALUK,
MANDYA 571 426

46. MR. RADHA C B
W/O SRI.MOHAN KUMAR K
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
ARALIMARADPALYA, SIRAGATE,
BHAGAVATI LAYOUT,
TUMKUR 572 106
47. MR. NANDAN R
S/O SRI P RAJU,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
NO. 1712, 11th CROSS, K N PURA,
MYSURU 570019
48. MRS. SHALINI D S
D/O SRI A SUBRAMANYAM
DIBBURAHALLI,
SIDLAGATTA TALUK,
CHIKKABALLPURA 562 105
49. MRS. POORNIMA E
D/O SRI ESHWARAPPA P
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
KARPENAHALLI VILLAGE AND POST,
DODDERIHOBLI
MADHUGIRI TALUK
TUMAKURU-572 112
50. MR. HAREESHA T
S/O SRI THIPPESWAMY,
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
BEHIND PEDDAMMA
DEVASTANADA REKALAGRE
LAMBANIHATTY
NAIKANAHATTI,
CHITRADURGA 577 536

51. MR. VINAYAKA M
S/O SRI.MAHABLESHWARA N BHAT,
NO. 414, 10th CROSS, Ist MAIN
NEAR SAPTHASWARA HIGH SCHOOL
B M SHREE NAGAR,
MYSORE 570016
52. PRIYANKA DESAI
D/O SRI NAGARAJ DESAI,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
SHREE MALLIKARJUNA TEMPLE ROAD,
AMMANAGI HUKKERI TALUK,
BELAGAVI 591 236
53. MR. PARASURAMKAMBAR
S/O SRI. RAMANNA
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
AT POST KAGALAGOMB,
BADAMI TALUK,
BAGALKOTE 587 205
54. MR. SHABEERMULLA
S/O SRI. HUSENASABMULLA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
NEAR DATHABAGHOL THOT SAVALAGI
KAMKHANDI TALUK
BAGALKOT 587 330
55. MR. SIDDAHRTH. N
S/O SRI NAGARAJU,
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
EB 89, KPTCL COLONY,
AIRPORT ROAD,
KAVOOR POST,
MANGALORE 575 015
56. MR. VENKATESH HOSMANI
S/O SRI VASUDEV,
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
LOWER MAKKERIKAIGA ROAD,
KPTCL COLONY,

SHEJWADA VTC,
KARWAR, PO-SHIRWADA 581 306

57. MR MITTUSAB BBUSAD PHANIBAND
S/O SRI BANBUSAB
AGEA BOUT 33 YEARS
NO 544, TATAGARA GALLI
SHINDIKURBET
BELGAUM 591310
58. MR SHASHIKANTH B KAMBANNAVAR
S/O SRI BASVANT KAMBANANVAR
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
MUDAKAVI, RAMDURGA
BELGAVI 591123
59. MR MAHESH MALAGE
S/O SRI SHANKAR MALAGE
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
TORANAHALLI, POST JAINAPUR
CHIKKODI TALUK
BELAGAVI 591226
60. MR NAGARAJA R
S/O SRI RANGAPPA N
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
NEAR SHREE SHANESHWARA TEMPLE
HIARIGE CAMP
HATHI NAGARA
VIDYANAGAR POST
SHIVAMOGGA 5772023
61. MR.GANESH T.M
S/O SRI MANJUANATHA
SHREE LAKSHMI CYCLE SHOP
KURUBARA STREET
JANNAPURA
SHVIAMOGGA DISTRCT
BHADRAVATHI 577301
62. MR SHASHIDHARA N
S/O SRI NAGARAJAPPA R

AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
NAGAVANGALA
KUDLUR POST, AJJAMPURA
CHIKKAMGALORE 577116

63. MR.RENUKA
D/O SRI.VEERANNAGOUDA
NO 186, BASAVA CIRCLE
NEAR HANUMAN TEMPLE
KODALHANGARGA POST
ALAND TALUK KALABURGI 583120
64. MANJUANATHA K
S/O SRI KALINGAPPA K
WARD NO 2
KONCHIGERI VILLAGE
SIRUGUPPA TALUK
BELLARY 583120
65. MR.MAHENDRA
S/O SRI.PARAMESHWAR HOSAMANI
E/10/1458, B SHAMSUNDAR NAGAR
NEAR S B COLLEGE
KALABURGI 585103
66. MR SHAIK ZAHEER PASHA
S/O SRI MAHMADGOUSE
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
NO 5, MATMARI, WARD NO 1
MATMARI RAICHUR 574202
67. MR. LAXMIPUTA S HELIKERI
S/O SRI SHANTAMALLAPPA
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
POST MADANHIPPARGA
ALAND TALUK
KALABURGI 585236
68. MR. PRASHANTH L.R
S/O SRI RAMAPPA L
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
SEETHARAM THANDA

HOSPET TALUK
VIJAYANAGAR DISTRICT 583215

69. MR NANDA KUMAR N
S/O SRI CHADNRASHEKAR N
AGED 26 YEARS
NO 21, OPP MUNICIPAL PARK
16TH WAD DRIVER COLONY
SIRUGUPPA TALUK AND POST
BELLARI 583121
70. MR PARASHURAM
S/O SRI SUBHAS RATHOD
AGED ABOUT 29 YERS
NO 781/1546
STATION TANDA
NRUPATUNGA NAGAR
MALIKHED (J), SEDAM TALUK
KALABAURGI 585292
71. MRS MONIKA B
D/O THIPPESWAMY
B H HOUSE NO 52C,
WARD NO 23
SIDDARTHA NAGAR
CANTONMENT
BALLARI 583124
72. MR NARESH KUMAR
S/O SRI VENKATARAMULU
413 NEAR BUS STAND MAIN ROAD
AT POST, CHAPTLA GURMITAKAL TALUK
YADGIR DISTRICT 585214
73. MR.SHRIDHAR
S/O SRI SIDDAPPA
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
1/56 HIMLAPUR POST
CHAPETLA GURMITKAL TALUK
YADGIR 585214

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74. RAJENDRA V M
S/O SRI MALLESH N
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
NO 48, 3RD WARD
HARIJANAKERI
YESHWANTH NAGAR
SANDUR TALUK
BELLARY DISTRICT-583124
75. MRS DEEPA SIDDAPPA ADUR
D/O SRI SIDDAPPA ADUR
16 WARD, HOUSE 1812/1
NAYAKAWADI ONI, KUSHTAGI
KOPPAL, KARNATAKA 583277
76. MR SHARANGOUDA
S/O SRI LATE HONNAREDDY
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
TALUK (VILLAGE)
HEDAGIMADARA (POST)
YADAGIR TALUK AND DISTRICT 585202
77. MR. RAKESH G.R S/O RAMEGOWDA,
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
R/AT GEKARAVALLI VILLAGE,
BOOVANAHALLI POST,
KASABA HOBLI, HASSAN-573220.
78. MR. RAGHAVENDRA TALLU
S/O BASAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
PLOT NO:52, BOUXITE ROAD,
ANNAPURNAWADI,
BELAGAVI-590010

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R3;
SRI. S.SRIRANGA, SENIOR ADVOCATE
ALONG WITH MS.ASHWINI N RAVINDRA AND
SRI. VISMAYA SHIMHA FOR
SMT. SUMANA NAGANAND, ADVOCATE FOR C/R4;
DR.ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR

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SRI. A.L.PARASHURAM, ADVOCATE FOR C/R7;
SRI. VIVEK HOLLA, ADVOCATE FOR C/R62)

THIS WRIT APPEAL IS FILED UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE KARNATAKA HIGH COURT ACT PRAYING TO CALL FOR RECORDS OF WP.No.6588/2023 (S-RES) DISPOSED BY THE LEARNED HON'BLE SINGLE JUDGE OF THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA BENGALURU BENCH DATED 22-08-2023 AND SET ASIDE THE ORDER DATED 22-08-2023 PASSED BY THE LEARNED SINGLE JUDGE OF THIS HON'BLE COURT IN WRIT PETITION IN W.P.No.6588/2023 BY ALLOWING THE W.P.No.6588/2023(S-RES) CONSEQUENTLY QUASH THE CIRCULAR No-CSUE 03 HAKKU 2019 DATED:01.02.2023 ISSUED BY THE RESPONDENT No.2, PRODUCED IN WRIT PROCEEDINGS AS ANNEXURE-A IN WRIT PETITION.

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BETWEEN:

1. YOGISHA K R
S/O RAJASHEKAR K S
AGE ABOUT 36 YEARS
R/O KAMPLAPURA VILLAGE
KAMPALAPURA POST-571 107
PERIYAPATNA TALUK
MYSURU DISTRICT
2. SHIVA KUMARA H G
S/O RUDRAPPA G V
AGE ABOUT 37 YEARS
R/A HOTYAPURA-577 224
BEERAGONDANA HALLI POST
HONNALI TALUK
DAVANAGERE DISTRICT.
3. ADIL AHMED
S/O NASEER AHMED
AGE ABOUT 34 YEARS
R/O KEMPEGOWDA CIRCLE
BELLUR -571 418
NAGAMANGALA TALUK
MANDYA DISTRICT

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4. DEVALABI R DANGI
D/O RAJESAB DANGI
AGE ABOUT 36 YEARS
R/O KANABUR -586 113
BABALESHWARA TALUK
VIJAYAPURA DISTRICT
5. VINAYAKA
S/O GANESH SHETTY
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
R/O BALEGADDE VILLAGE
BHASKERI POST-581 334
HONNAVAR TALUK
UTTARA KANNADA DISTRICT
6. ANISUR REHAMAN
S/O BASHEER SAB
AGE ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/O ALUR -577 512
DAVANAGERE TALUK
DAVANAGERE DISTRICT
7. ARJUNA P
S/O PAPANNA
AGE ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/O TIRUVARANGA GRAMA
HOSAKOTE TALUK
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT
PIN-560 067

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. ABHINAV R FOR
SRI. VINAYA KUMAR N D., ADVOCATE FOR
P1 TO P3, P5 TO P7)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP. BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

VIDHANA SOUDHA
BENGALURU-560 001

2. THE DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF
PRE UNIVERSITY EDUCATION
SAMPIGE ROAD, 18TH CROSS
MALLESHWARAM
BENGALURU-560 002
3. JOINT SECRETARY
HYDERABAD KARNATAKA SPECIAL CELL
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
VIDHANA SOUDHA
DR AMBEDKAR VEEDHI
BENGALURU-560 001
4. THE KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REP. BY ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SAMPIGE ROAD, 18TH CROSS
MALLESHWARAM,
BENGALURU-560012
5. RAMANNA
S/O SHAMARAYA, AGED MAJOR
R/A GOUNALLI,
POST RASANAGI-585310
JEVARGI TALUK,
GULBARGA DISTRICT
6. MAHANTAYYA MATH
S/O CHANNABASAYYA MATH
AGED MAJOR
R/O DUDDANGI
POST BHOSAGA-585302
AFZALPURA TALUK
KALABURGI DISTRICT
7. IMAM PATEL
S/O SYED PATEL

AGED MAJOR
R/A REVANOOR
POST:HARNOOR-585 310
JEWARGI TALUK
KALBURGI DISTRICT

8. MOHD. GOUSE MOHINUDDIN
S/O SYED AMEER
AGED MAJOR
R/A GANWAR -585 303
JEWARGI TALUK
KALBURGI DISTRICT
9. MAHESH
S/O HANUMANTU
AGED MAJOR
R/O H NO.12/6/1237/208
LBS NAGAR, RAICHUR-584101
10. MANJUNATH
AGED MAJOR
S/O NAGAPPA
R/O H NO.E-376, RAMNAGAR
RING ROAD, NEAR VITTAL TEMPLE
KALBURGI-585104
11. IMAD ALI
S/O KHUSRUD ALI
AGED MAJOR
NEAR TAHA SCHOOL
4TH WARD, AZAD NAGAR
KUDLIGI-583135
BELLARY DISTRICT
12. KAJAVALI
S/O KURUGODU HUSSAINSAB
AGED MAJOR
HOSA CHANNAPATNA POST-583113
SIGUPPA TALUK
BELLARY DISTRICT

13. LAKAPATI RATHOD
S/O ROOPACHANDRAPPA
AGE MAJOR
R/A HADAGALI TANDA
NAGALAPURA POST
LINGASGUR TALUK-584125
RAICHUR DISTRICT
14. YAMANAPPA
S/O HANUMAPPA
AGE 35 YEARS
R/A HADANOOR VILLAGE
SHORAPUR TALUK-585216
YADGIR DISTRICT
15. RANGANATHAPPA D
S/O DYAYARALAPPA
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
R/O DOBBEGHATTA-572112
MADHUGIRI TALUK AND
TUMKUR DISTRICT
16. BHEEMANAGOUDA SHINGNALLI
S/O HANUMANTRAYA SHINGANALLI
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS,
R/O TUMBAGI-586 214
TALIKOTE TALUK,
VIJAYAPURA DISTRICT.
17. MURALIDHARA H.R.
S/O RAJANNA, AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
R/O HANUMEGOWDANADODDI VILLAGE
GIRENAHALLI POST-562 112
KANAKAPURA TALUK,
RAMANAGARA DISTRICT
18. VIJAYALAKSHMI M
D/O MAREGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/AT DOOR No.808, 2ND CROSS,
SAHUKAR CHANNAIAH ROAD,

JANATANAGAR,
MYSORE-570009

19. MANASAPOOJARI
D/O MANJUNATHA,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
NEAR PM PATIL HOUSE,
KUMARESHWAR NAGAR,
HANGAL, HAVERI DISTRICT-581104
20. CHANDRAKALA
D/O PUTTAMADEGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS,
R/O D.No.7/3160, BHRAMARAMBHA NILAYA,
NEW KURUBARA STREET, VIDYANAGAR,
KOLLEGAL-571440
CHAMARAJNAGAR.
21. RUBINA M.SHAikh,
D/O MOHAMMAD SHAFI SHIKH,
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
R/O NOOR MANZIL,
HUBLI ROAD, SIRSI-581402
MAHALAKSHMI LAYOUT,
1ST CROSS, NORTH CANARA DISTRICT.
22. SATHYARAJU.R
S/O RAJU,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
R/O GANALU VILLAGE AND POST
KANAKAPUR TALUK, PIN:562117
RAMANAGARA DISTRICT.
23. PRASHANTHA K.C
S/O CHANDRESHA
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
R/O UNTOORKATTEKAIMARA
THIRTHAHALLI TALUK
SHIMOGA DISTRICT
PIN 577432

24. SHIVARAJKUMAR A.D
S/O DEVAREDDI,
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS,
R/O APPIREDDIHALLI,
PO: VARALAKONDA - 562 104
GUDIBANDE TALUK
CHIKKABALLAPURA DISTRICT
25. SHIVANAND KAKOL
S/O LAXMAN
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
R/A HOSARITTI
POST HALERITTI - 581 213
HAVERI TALUK AND DISTRICT
26. MUTTAYYA LUTIMATH
S/O HUCHCHAYYA
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
R/O SULEBHAVI-587 124
HUNGUND TALUK
BAGALKOT DISTRICT.
27. JYOTHI H.R.
W/O H.P.SHIVASHANKARAIAH
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
R/O HONNENAHALLI 577182
KADUR TALUK
CHIKKAMAGALUR DISTRICT
28. VINOD MAGADUM,
S/O MAHADEV,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/A No.306, KANAGALA
KUKKERI TALUK, BELGAUM DISTRICT
PIN 591225
29. SOMASHEKHAR DHANASHETTI
S/O GHATIGEPPA DHANASHSETTI
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
C/O SHEKHAR T SUNKAD
SUNKAD ENTERPRISES,
LAST BUS STOP, NAVANAGAR,

HUBLI - 580 025
DHARWAD DISTRICT.

30. PAVITHRA K.S.
D/O SHIVANAJAPPA K.N
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
R/O KUPPALU 571107
TIPTUR TALUK
TUMAKUR DISTRICT.
31. NAGARAJ DUMMANAVAR,
S/O NINGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/O SHIGGAVI-581205
TALUK SHIGGAVI,
HAVERI DISTRICT.
32. NAGENDRA T
S/O TADAPPA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
R/O ROPPA VILLAGE AND POST
PIN 561 202
PAVAGADA TALUK,
TUMKUR DISTRICT.
33. RANGARAJU.S.R,
S/O RANGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
R/AT OPP VSSSN SOCIETY
MADLAPANNE
KORATAGERE TOWN - 572 129
TUMAKUR DISTRICT.
34. SANGITA PAWAR
W/O PRASHANTH RATHOD
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
SANGAMESHWARA NAGARA
THANAGADAGI ROAD,
MUDDEBIHAL, MUDDEBIHAL TALUK
VIJAYAPURA 586 212

35. PARASHURAMAPPA H.G
S/O GUDDAPPA H
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
KANAKADASA CIRCLE
BELLUDI POST
HARIHARA TALUK
DAVANAGERE - 577 601.
36. VASUNDAR H.V
S/O VYRAMUDI
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/AT #1/209, 4TH CROSS,
JAIN BASADI EXTENSION
SRI RANGAPATTANA
MANDYA - 571 438
37. MANJULA K
W/O G.SRINIVAS
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
C/O SOMASHEKAR
4TH CROSS, KUVEMPUNAGARA
CHANNAPATTANA TOWN,
RAMANAGARA - 562160.
38. MOHANKUMAR K.S
S/O SIDDAPPA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
ANABERU POST
MAYAKONDA HOBLI
DAVANAGERE TALUK
DAVANAGERE DISTRICT-577 534.
39. SOMASHEKHAR KEMBHAVI
S/O CHANNAPPAKEMBHAVI
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
MAJJIGUDDA AT POST
ANNIGERI TALUK
DHARAWADA-582201.
40. POORNIMA K.C
D/O CHANDRAPPA
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS

KURKI VILLAGE,
NARASAPURA POST KOLAR
TALUK KOLAR - 563133

41. GANESHA T
S/O THIPPESHI C.K
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS
KUMBALURU AT POST
HONNALI TALUK
DAVANAGERE - 577 219.
42. HEERABAI,
W/O RAJENDRADIVATE
AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS,
#11/9/26, SURYA NILAYA
PINJARWADI BRESTERWARPETH
RAICHUR-584101.
43. BHAVYASHREE P
D/O PANCHALINGE GOWDA P
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
BANCHEGOWDANADODDI(VI)
KEREGODU HOBLI,
MANDYA TALUK MANDYA-571406.
44. SHALINI.A
D/O SHARADAMMA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
#F3, BLOCK-2 NURMASHRAYAMANE
SHRISHIVARATHRISHWARANAGAR
BANNIMANTAPA
MYSORE-560015.
45. JYOTHI H.R
W/O SHIVASHANKARAI AH
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
HONNENAHALLI VILLAGE AND POST
YAGATE HOBLI
KADOORU TALUK
CHIKKAMAGALURU-577182.

46. ATHER MUBEEN
W/O MALANBHASHA
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS,
NEAR GUNDANJANEYA TEMPLE
KORATAGERE (POST AND TALUK)
TUMAKURU-572129.
47. GANGADHARA R.H
S/O R.HALAYYA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
NANDIGAVI AT POST
HARIHARA TALUK
DAVANAGERE-577516.
48. SHREEDEVI
D/O BASAVARAJAPPA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
GOVT. HIGHER PRIMARY
SHCOOL KASAMBI
KAGINELE POST
BYADAGI TALUK
HAVERI-581110
49. SHIVANNA.E
S/O ERANNA
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
CHOWLUR AT POST
CHALLAKERE TALUK
CHITHRADURGA-577538
50. SADASHIV PUJERI
S/O PUNDALIK
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
CHADACHANA POST
SHIVAJINAGAR
MARADI CHADACHANA TALUK
VIJAYAPURA-586205.
51. SHRISHAIL KAJAGAR
S/O ANNAPPA
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,

NAGARAL AT POST
BILAGI TALUK
BAGALAKOTE-587116.

52. SURESHA D
S/O DEVAIAH
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
#C21/3, KPC COLONY
KARGAL POST
SAGARA TALUK
SHIVAMOGGA-577421.
53. RAJAPPA DOPADAHALLI
S/O HANUMANTHAPPA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS,
CLP SCHOOL KYARIHAL NAUALI POST
GANGAVATHI TALUK
KOPPALA-583229
54. VEDAVATI.B
D/O B.B.BAJANTRI
AGED ABOUT 31 YEATS
PANCHASHEELA NAGAR
VIJAYAPURA ROAD,
INDI POST AND TALUK
VIJAYAPURA-586209
55. RAVI GORAVAR
S/O DURAGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS,
TEREDEHALLI VILLAGE
NEERALAGI POST
HAVERI TALUK HAVERI-581108
56. A.RESHMA FIRDOUS
D/O LATE MOHAMAD ANWAR
AGED ABOUT 47 YEARS
#6, 2ND MAIN, 4TH CROSS,
M.G.ROAD UDAYAGIRI
MYSORE-570019.

57. SHEKAPPA AJAGONNAVAR
S/O RAMAPPA
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
KOTUR AT POST
DHARWADA TALUK,
DHARWADA-580011
58. VIJAYA KUMAR
S/O HIROJI RAO
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
BEHIND D.L.SHETTY COMPOUND
D.A.R.POLICE LINE
S.N.PETE BALLERI-583101.
59. CHANNAPPA
S/O SHARANAPPA
AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS
PAMANAKELLURU AT POST
MASKI TALUK
RAICHUR-584120.
60. VISWANATHA ANGADI
S/O ERAPPA ANGADI
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
GHP SCHOOL,
BADELADAKU POST
KUDIGI TALUK
BALLARI-583134.
61. ANANDA BURLI
S/O LAKKAPPABURLI
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
NEAR NOOTHANVIDYALAYA
GUNDAIAHNMATHAD ROAD,
BANAHAATTI VILLAGE AND POST
RABAKAVIBANAHAATTI TALUK
BAGALAKOTE-587311.
62. KARUNASAGAR
S/O RANGANNAPATTAR
AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS
#E/155 DATTANAGAR

JEVARGI TALUK
KALBURGI 585310.

63. VASANTHA P.S
W/O SHASEEQAHEMED
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS
@1170/42, SANTHEMALA
NEAR ST JUDE SCHOOL
HOOTAGALLI ILAVALA HOBLI
MYSORE TALUK
MYSORE-570018.
64. SREENATHA.T
S/O THIMMEGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
RANGAPURA (VI) BADAVANAHALLI POST
MADHUGIRI TALUK
TUMAKURU-572112.
65. RAMESH.R
S/O RAMAKRISHNAPPA
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS
SHANTHINAGAR,
GANGONDANAHALLI LAKSHMIPURA POST
BENGALURU RUAL-562162.
66. BASAVARAJ HARLAPUR
S/O YALLAPPA
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
MAINALLI AT POST KOPPALA TALUK
KOPPALA-583285.
67. SABEEDA.G
D/O GAREEB SAB
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
G.H.P.S.KOTHANUR
J.P.NAGAR 8TH PHASE
BENGALURU-560076.
68. LOKESHA
S/O BHADRACHAR
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS

NEERAKALLU VILLAGE
CHINNENAHALLI POST
MEDIGESI HOBLI
MADHUGIRI TALUK
TUMAKURU-572133.

69. SRINIVAS MURTHY.K.Y
S/O YALLAIAH
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
CHIKKANARAVANGALAMAJARE
JOGARAHATTI DODDANARAVANGALA POST
BELLAVI HOBLI
TUMAKURU TALUK
TUMAKURU-572107.
70. SUBRAMANI.S
S/O SRINIVAS
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
BILLARAHALLI(VI)
KYASAMBALLY POST
KGF TALUK KOLAR-563121.
71. MANJUNATHA M.K,
S/O KARISSETTY
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
#739, BASAVESWARANAGARA
3RD CROSS, METAGALLI POST
MYSORE-570016.
72. NAGARATHNAMMA.P.G
W/O A.R.VISHWANATH
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS
BANAVARA, AGRAHARA LAYOUT
BHAGALAGHATTA ROAD
ARASIKERE TALUK
HASANA-573112.
73. NAGARAJ FAKIRAPPA BUTTANAVARA
S/O FAKIRAPPA
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS,
GAVALIGALLI
GAJENDRAGADA POST AND TALUK

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74. JYOTHI
D/O BYLAPPA
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
SUBRAMANYANAGARA CHRUCH COLONY
ARSIKERE AND ARSIKERE TALUK
HASANA-573103.
75. CHANDRAKALA.P
D/O PUTTAMADEGOWDA,
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS
R/O D.No.7/3160,
BHARAMARAMBHA NILAYA
NEW KURUBARA STREET, VIDYANAGAR,
KOLLEGAL-571440
CHAMARAJNAGAR DISTRICT.
76. MANJUNATHA
S/O VITTAPPA
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
R/O HATTIANGADI POST
KUNDAPURA TALUK
UDUPI DISTRICT.

**R-15 TO R-76 ARE AMENDED AS PER
ORDER DATED:31.07.2023**

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R3;
SRI. R.KOTHWAL, ADVOCATE FOR R4, R15, R16,
R19, R22, R24 TO R27, R30, R32 AND R33;
SMT. SUVARNA LAKSHMI M L AND
SRI. K.PUTTEGOWDA, ADVOCATE FOR R17, R18, R20,
R21, R23, R28, R29, R31 AND R59;
SRI. T.RAJARAM, ADVOCATE FOR R5 TO R13;
VIDE ORDER DATED:10.10.2022 R5, R8, R10 & R14
NOTICE IS HELD SUFFICIENT)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO

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QUASH THE ORDER DATED.7.11.2019 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL BENGALURU IN APPLICATION NUMBERS 5567/2019 TO 5572/2019 AND 5595/2019 IS PRODUCED HEREIN AS **ANNEXURE-A**, ETC.

IN WP NO. 23162/2023

BETWEEN:

1. SRI KIRANKUMAR K S
S/O SHANKAREPPA GOWDA,
AGED 30 YEARS,
OCC. NILL,
R/O KAGEMARADU VILLAGE,
KODUR POST,
HOSANAGARA TALUK,
DIST SHIVAMOGGA-577418
2. SRI KEMPARAJU S S
S/O SIDDARAJU,
AGED 32 YEARS,
OCC. NILL,
R/O ARAKERE VILLAGE AND POST,
SRIRANGA PATNA,
DIST MANDYA-571415
3. KUM SHRUTHI K
D/O KUBERAPPA C,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
OCC. NILL,
R/O KONDADAHALLI VILLAGE,
CHANNAGIRI POST,
TALU CHANNAGIRI,
DIST DAVANAGERE-577552

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. PRITHVEESH M K., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS (DPAR),
(SERVICE RULES-1),
II FLOOR, VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU-560001
2. THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY AND
SECONDARY EDUCATION,
MS BUILDING,
BENGALURU-560001
3. THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC
INSTRUCTION IN KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
NEW PUBLIC OFFICES,
NRUPATHUNGA ROAD,
BANGALORE-560002
4. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS (ADM) CUM
SELECTION AND RECRUITMENT AUTHORITY
PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
RAICHUR DISTRICT,
RAICHUR-584101
5. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
INSTRUCTIONS (ADM) CUM
SELECTION AND RECRUITMENT AUTHORITY
PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
KALABURAGI DISTRICT,
KALABURAGI-585104
6. SRI BALAKUNDI NAKANNA
FATHER NAME NOT KNOWN TO APPLICANTS,
MAJOR,
SERVICE THROUGH THE
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTIONS,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
RAICHUR DISTRICT,
RAICHUR-583231

7. SRI BALARAMA P
FATHER NAME NOT KNOWN TO
PETITIONERS,
MAJOR,
SERVICE THROUGH THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
OF INSTRUCTIONS,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
RAICHUR DISTRICT,
RAICHUR-583231
8. SMT/KUM AMBIKA
FATHER NAME NOT KNOWN TO PETITIONERS,
MAJOR,
SERVICE THROUGH THE
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTIONS,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
KALABURAGI DISTRICT,
KALABURAGI-585102
9. MR. AMAREGOUDA POLICE PATIL
S/O SHIVANGOUDA
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
AT POST BYALIHALL P
MAKAPPAUR LINGASAGUR TALUK
TAICHUR DISTRICT-584125
10. MR. BHEEMARAYA
S/O NINGANNA
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
AT POST KARKIHALLI
KONACHAPALLI
DEVADRUGHA TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584111
11. MR. SHARANABASAVA
S/O SHIVANANDAYYA SWAMY
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
AT POST NIJALINGAPPA COLONY
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584101.

12. MR. MANJUNATH GADAD
S/O KALLAYYA GADAD
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
AT POST MUDUGAL
LINGASAGUR Q
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584125
13. MR.RAGHAVENDRA R B
S/O SATYA NARAYANA R
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
AT POST AMARESHWAR CAMP
HIRE KOTANEKAL
MANVI TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584123.
14. MR.GUNDURAJ
S/O RUBEN
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
AT POST GANADAL
RAICHU TALUK DISTRICT-584140.
15. MS.DURUGAMMA
D/O BALAPPA
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
AT POST RAMATHNAL
SINDHANUR TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584143
16. MS.SHARADA
D/O DESAI
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
AT POST HOSUR SIDDAPURA
DEVADURGA TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584116.
17. MR.NAGALINGAYYA
S/O BASAYYA
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
AT POST BIDIGI
SINDHANUR TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584138

18. MR. ANAND
S/O VEERABHADRAYYA
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS
AT POST MUDUGAL
LINGASAGURU TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584125.
19. MR.KASHIMBI
D/O LATE RAJASAB
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
AT POST CHUKKANAHATTI
LINGASAGURU TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584115.
20. MR. BASAVARAJ MALIPATIL
S/O AMMENA REDDY
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
AT POST B KADAMMAGERA
SHAHAPURA TALUK
YADAGIRI DISTRICT-585319
21. MS. ASHWINI
S/O PRABHAKAR
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
AT POST SANGAMESHWAR NAGAR
TALUK, KALABURAGI DISTRICT-585103
22. MS. SUDHARANI
D/O SHIVAKANTH
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
AT POST KITTA BASAVAKALYANA TALUK
BIDAR DISTRICT-585327
23. MR. SANTHOSH
S/O MAHADEVAPPA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
AT POST BATAGERA
KALBURGI TALUK
KALBURGI DISTRICT-585222

24. MR. DEVANAGOUDA MALIPATIL
S/O SHANKARA GOUDA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
AT POST SALABAVI MURADI
YELABURAGA TALUK
KOPPALA DISTRICT-583 23
25. MS.VEENA JOSHI
D/O SRI. DHANARAJ
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
R/A DEVADURGA TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT-584111
- 26 MR. SHIVAKUMARA
S/O MALLANAGOUDA PATIL
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/A BENAKAL TALUK
KUKNOOR DISTRICT
KOPPAL 583232
27. MR. IRANNA
S/O DYAMANNA ILIGER
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
AT POST KOLUR
TALUK KOPPAL DISTRICT 583238
28. MR. AMARESH BENAL
S/O BASAPPA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
AT POST HANUMANAL
KUSHTAGI TALUK
KOPPALA DISTRICT-583280
29. MR. MOUNESH
S/O SRI,. MALLAANNA
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
R/AT JANGAMARAHALLI
MASKI TALUK, RAICHURU 584 120.
30. MRS. ANURADHA
D/O ERANNA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS

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R/AT RAJOLLI (POST)
MAANVI TALUK,
RAICHURU - 584202

31. MRS. MAHANANDA
W/O SRI. RAGHAVENDRA
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
R/AT SHIVANAGARA POST
BIDAR TALUK
DIBAR DISTRICT 585401
32. MRS. BASAWESHWARI
W/O SRI LAXMIKANT
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
R/AT CHINCHOLI POST
TALUK, KALABURAGI-583219

**I.A.4/2023 FOR IMPEADING ALLOWED
VIDE ORDER DATED:16.10.2026**

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R5;
SRI. BASAVARAJA PATEL G.K, ADVCOATE FOR C/R8;
R6 & R7 ARE SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. ABHISHEK A, ADVOCATE FOR IMPEAING
APPLICANTS AS R9 TO R32 ON IA 4/2023)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO
CALL FOR RECORDS FROM THE RESPONDENTS AND SET
ASIDE THE IMPUGNED ORDER DATED 22/09/2023 PASSED
BY THE HON'BLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE
TRIBUNAL AT BENGALURU IN APPLICATION Nos.
2417-2419/2023 (ANNEXURE-A) AND CONSEQUENTLY
ALLOW THE SAID APPLICATION Nos. 2417-2419/2023
FILED BY THE PETITIONERS BEFORE THE HONBLE
TRIBUNAL (ANNEXURE-B), IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE,
ETC.

IN WP NO. 23450/2023

BETWEEN:

1. SRI. MANJUNATH BHARADWAJ B S
S/O SHAMASUNDARA MURTHY B N,
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
R/AT SRI LAKSHMIRANGANA MANE,
6TH CROSS, 80 FT ROAD,
MAHALAKSHMI NAGARA, BATAWADI,
TUMKUR-572103.
2. SRI. RAGHAVENDRA J V
S/O VIRUPAKSHAPPA J,
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
R/AT NO.123,
BATTALAKATTE VILLAGE,
HADADI POST,
DAVANAGERE-577525
3. SRI. GANGADHAR D.P.
S/O PANCHAKSHARAPPA D.G.
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
R/AT ANJANEYA STREET,
MELLEKATTE VILLAGE AND POST,
DAVANAGERE-577512
4. SRI. SANTHOSHA H N
S/O NINGEGOWDA H K,
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS,
R/AT HALEHALLI VILLAGE AND POST,
KOPPA HOBLI, MADDUR,
MANDYA-571425
5. SMT. ASHA RANI N S
W/O SANGAMESH M,
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS,
R/AT NO.556/32,
SUARNANAGARA MAIN ROAD,
G M COTTEGE, DODDABIDARAKALLU,
NAGASANDRA POST,
BANGALORE-560073

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C/W WA No. 1218 of 2023
WP No. 52772 of 2019
AND 15 OTHERS**

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. P.S.RAJAGOPAL, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SMT. ASHWINI RAJAGOPAL., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS ADDITIONAL
CHIEF SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BANGALORE-560001.
2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION
AND LITERACY,
M.S.BUILDING,
BANGALORE-560001.
3. THE COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
NRUPATHUNGA ROAD,
BANGALORE-560001.
4. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
KOPPAL-583231.
5. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
VIJAYANAGAR-591108
6. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
YADGIR-585201

7. SMT. SHAHEEMA
NEAR URDU SCHOOL,
WARD NO.18,
IBRAHIMPUR MUDGAL, MUDGAL,
LINGASUGAR,
RAICHUR-584125
8. SMT. VIJAYALAKSHMI SALMANI
2ND WARD HOUSE NO.107,
MUTHKUR ROAD,
THAMBRAHALLI POST,
HAGARIBOMMANAHALLI TALUK,
VIJAYANAGAR DISTRICT-583224.
9. SRI. MOHANA REDDY H
72, AMBALI, KOTTURU,
VIJAYANAGARA-583134
10. SMT. VIJAYA M
BANLIGARA ONI,
NEELAGUNDA,
HARAPANAHALLI TALUK,
VIJAYANAGAR-583213
11. SMT. RAJASHREE
KAKHANDAKI,
ALLOOR POST,
JEWARGI TALUK,
KALBURGI DISTRICT-585310
12. MR. SRINIVAS Y K
S/O SRI. KREEET KUMAR Y
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
R/AT NEAR BUSTAND
THAMBRAHALLI
H B HALLI TALUK
VIJAYANAGARA DISTRICT-583224
13. MS SUGARA RADHA
D/O SRI. HANUMANTHAPPA
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
RESIDING AT NEAR BUSTAND

THAMBRAHALLI
H B HALLI TALUK
VIJAYANGARA DISTRICT-583224

14. MR. NAGARAJNAIK VISHALAVAT
S/O SRI. BADYA NAIK
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/AT DASARAHALLI THANDA
HUVINAHADAGALI TALUK
VIJAYANAGARA DISTRICT-583219

15. MR.RAJANAIAK.R
S/O SRI. REVANANAIAK
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
R/AT SINGRIHALLI DADDA
THANDA, HARAPANAHALLI
VIJAYANAGERA -583137

16. MR. SIDDESH.N
S/O SRI. PARVATAPPA.N
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
R/AT ITTIGI (POST)
HADAGALI TALUK,
VIJAYANAGARA-583220

17. MRS. ASHA.A
W/O SRI. NATARAJ I
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/AT ITTIGI P HOOVINA
HADAGALI TALUK,
VIJAYANAGARA DISTRICT-583220.

18. MS. GANGAMMA BEWURU
D/O SRI. BASAVARAJA B
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
R/AT DOOPADAHALLI POST
KOTTURU TALUK
VIJAYANAGARA -583134

19. MR. PRAMODA S A
S/O SRI AJJANA GOUDA S
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS

R/AT ITTIGI (POST)
HADAGALI TALUK,
VIJAYANAGARA - 583 220

20. MS. ROHINI PATIL
W/O SRI. MANJUNATH D
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
R/AT HOOVINA HADAGALI
(P) (TQ)
VIJAYANAGARA - 583 219.
21. MR. KOTTAPPANAVAR
SHANMUKHAPPA
S/O SRI. BASAVARAJAPPA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
R/AT DOOPADAHALLI POST
KOTTURU TALUK
VIJAYANAGARA DISTRICT-583134.
22. MS. RASHMI B.K
W/O SRI.D.MANJUNATHA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
R/AT SILARGERRE NEAR
GOVT URDU SHCOOL
HARAPANAHALLI
VIJAYANAGARA DISTRICT-583131
23. MR. H.RAGHAVENDRA
S/O SRI.H.LAKSHMANA
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
R/AT GINIGERA KOPPALA
TALUK DISTRICT-583228.
24. MR. BASAVARAJ
S/O ERAPPA KAMATAR
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
R/AT YAREHANCHINAL
KUKANOOR TALUK
KOPPAL DISTRICT-583232
25. MS.ARUNA
W/O BASAVARAJ HOLAGUNDI

AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
R/AT POST CHIKENAKOPPA
KUKANOOR TALUK
KOPPAL DISTRICT
PIN 583232

26. MS. RAJESHWARY
W/O MAHALINGAPPA KAVALLUR
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
R/AT KUKANUR
KUKANUR TALUK
KOPPAL DISTRICT
PIN CODE 583232
27. MS. VEDHA KONDI
W/O SHRI SHIVARAJ MURADI
AGED 33 YEARS
R/AT HABALAKATTE
KOPPALA - 583280
28. MR. SHASHIKALA
S/O SHIVAPUTRAPPA SAJJAN
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
AT POST MUDOL
YELABURGA TALUK
KOPPALA DISTRICT-583236
29. MR. SWETA KOUDI
D/O MURUDAPPA KOUDI
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
AT POST LAKSHMINAGAR
YELABURGA TALUK
KOPPALA DISTRICT-583236
30. MR. KASHIM B
W/O O SAIYAD ALI
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
AT POST KONAKAL
SHAHAPUR TALUK
YADGIRI DISTRICT-585355

31. MR. SIDDAPPA BARIKAR
S/O SHARANAPPA BARIKAR
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
AT POST SINDHENE KOPPA
KOKKANUR TALUK
KOPPALA DISTRICT-583280
32. MR. MANJUNATH
S/O SRI. CHANDRAKANTH
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
R/AT GODRIHAL POST
HEEGANGODDI,
SHORAPUR TALUK
YADAGIRI 585216.
33. MS.HOORUNISA BEGUM
D/O SRI.ABDUL SHUKOOR
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
R/AT GHOUSE NAGAR,
AFZALPUR
KALBURGI 585102
34. MR. PRAKASH
S/O SRI. BHEEMANNA VADRAKAL
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
R/AT CHIKKA MADINAL (POST)
KANAKAGIRI TALUK,
KOPPALA - 583283.
35. MR. PAMPAPATI
S/O SRI. ERAPPA
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
R/AT GANESHCAMP,
POST SINDRAMPUR,
TALUK SINDHANUR
DISTRICT RAICHUR-584202
36. MR.SANTOSH HAKARI
S/O NINGANAGOUDA HAKARI
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
R/AT DISTRICT AND TALUK

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KOPPAL, POST-IRAKALLAGADA
WADDARAHATTI-583237.

**I.A. 3/2023 FOR IMPEADING IS ALLOWED
VIDE COURT ORDER DATED:16.10.2026.**

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R6;
SRI. BASAVARAJA PATEL G.K, ADVOCATE FOR
C/R8 & R10;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. PARASHURAM A.L., ADVOCATE FOR R7 TO R10;
SRI. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. ABHISHEK.A, ADVOCATE FOR IMPEADING
ON IA.3/2023;
R11 SERVED)

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CALL FOR THE ENTIRE RECORDS PERTAINING TO
APPLICATION NOS. 2409-2413/2023 BEFORE THE HONBLE
KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL,
PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU AND QUASH ORDER
DATED 22/09/2023 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE
ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU IN APPLICATION
NOS. 2409-2413/2023 (UNDER ANNEXURE-A) AND ALLOW
THE APPLICATION NOS. 2409-2413/2023 (UNDER
ANNEXURE-B AND GRANT ALL CONSEQUENTIAL RELIEFS,
ETC.

IN WP NO. 27336/2023

BETWEEN:

1. PAVITHRA N
W/O MOHAN K U
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
HALASAMUNDRA
BUDAGUMPA POST
KARATAGI TALUK
KOPPAL DISTRICT-583229

2. MARUTHI S
S/O SOMASHEKAR
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
AT POST BANOORU COLONY
AJJAPURA
TALUK AJJAPUR, TARIKERE
CHIKKAMAGALURU-577549
3. VIDYASHREE M
D/O MANJA NAIK O
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
PANJAYYANAHATTI
BAHADURGHATTA POST
CHITRADURGA-577519
POSTAL ADDRESS:
C/O PRAHALLAD NAIK, THOLAHUNAE
NEAR GARADI MANE
DAVANAGERE TALUK
DISTRICT DAVANAGERE-57702
4. SHAMBHULINGAPPA P M
S/O MANJUNATHA P
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
GURUSIDDAPURA, JAJALUR
JAGALUR, DAVANAGERE-577513
5. RUPAJIGALI
D/O HANUMANTAPPA
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
NEAR SAI SCHOOL AYYANAHALLI ROAD
PRIYANKA NAGAR
MARIYAMMANAHALLI, HOSPET
VIJAYANAGAR-583222
6. SHILPA S
D/O SAKA NAIK L C
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
VIJAYAPURA(AT)
BENAKANAHALLI(POST)
HONNALI(TQ)
DAVANAGERE-577224

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7. GAYATRI BADIGER
D/O KRISHNAPPA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
GAYATRI BADIGER
AT POST KADAKOL
SAVANUR HAVERI-581118
8. RADHA J H
W/O HANUMANTHAPPA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
JIGANEHALLI VILLAGE AT POST
BIRUR HOBLI, KADUR
CHIKKAMAGALURU-577548
9. SHASHIKUMRAI.D.U
W/O SACHIN B P
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/AT 1243, 39 MATHURU SADANA
BEHIND CENTRAL LIBRARY
JAWALI EXTENSION, KOTTUR
CENTRAL LIBRARY
KOTTUR, VIJAYANAGAR-583134

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. P.S. RAJAGOPAL, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. JAYANTH DEV KUMAR., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY AND
SECONDARY EDUCATION
M S BUILDING
BENGALURU-560001
2. THE UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS(DPAR)
(SERVICE RULES-1)
SECOND FLOOR

VIDHANASOUDHA
BENGALURU-560001

3. THE UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
HYDERABAD KARNATAKA SPECIAL CELL
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS(DPAR)
SECOND FLOOR
VIDHANA SOUDHA
BENGALURU-560001
4. THE COMMISSIONER OF
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS
IN KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS
NEW PUBLIC OFFICES
NRUPATHUNGA ROAD
BENGALURU-560002
5. THE SPECIAL OFFICER
CENTRALIZED ADMISSION CELL
OPP-KAVERI BHAVAN
K O ROAD, BENGALURU-560002
6. THE SELECTION AND RECRUITMENT
AUTHORITY CUM THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS(ADM)
PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
VIJAYANAGAR DISTRICT
VIJAYANAGARA-583134
7. SWETHA D R
SL NO.13, REG-5178728
SELECTED CATEGORY-GM-WM
C/O DDPI AND SELECTION AUTHORITY
VIJAYNAGAR DISTRICT-583134
8. SANGEETHA IDALI
SL NO.15, REG-5198015
SELECTED CATEGORY-GM-WM

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C/O DDPI AND SELECTION AUTHORITY
VIJAYANAGAR DIST-583134

9. PARVEEN S A
589, 10TH WARD
SILARI STREET
NEAR NOORANI MASJID
HARAPANAHALLI
VIJAYANAGAR-583131
10. MANDAARA K Y
D/O YOGAMURHTY K
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
M KODIHALLI VI
VAKKALAGERE POST
YAGATI HO KADUR TALUK
KADUR, CHIKKAMAGALURU-577180
11. MUTTAVVA BARKI
D/O NAGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
MUTTAVVA BARKI
C/O DEVARAJAPUJAR
SAMMASGI
AT POST HANAGAL
TALUK HANGAL
HAVERI-581104

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R6;
SRI. IBRAHIM NIDAGUNDI, ADVOCATE FOR R9;
R10 SERVED)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO
CALL FOR THE ENTIRE RECORDS PERTAINING TO
APPLICATION NOS. 10432-10443/2023 BEFORE THE
HONBLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL,
PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU AND QUASH ORDER
DATED 22/09/2023 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE
ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU IN APPLICATION
NOS. 10432-10443/2023 (UNDER ANNEXURE-A) AND

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ALLOW THE APPLICATION NOS. 10432-10443/2023 (UNDER ANNEXURE-B AND GRANT ALL CONSEQUENTIAL RELIEFS, ETC.

IN WP NO. 27517/2023

BETWEEN:

1. KUM MANDAARA K Y
D/O YOGAMURTHY K,
AGE 31 YEARS OCC NIL,
R/O M KODIHALLI VILLAGE,
VAKKALAGERE POST YAGATI HOBLI,
KADUR TALUKA,
DIST CHIKKAMAGALURU 577180
2. KUM MUTTAVVA BARKI
D/O NAGAPPA,
AGE 34 YEARS
OCC NIL,
C/O DEVARAJPURA,
R/O SAMMSGI VILLAGE,
HANAGAL POST,
HANAGAL TALUK,
DIST HAVERI 581104

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. PRITHVEESH M K., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY AND
SECONDARY EDUCATION,
M S BUILDING,
BENGALURU 560001
2. THE UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS (DPAR),
(SERVICE RULES 1),

SECOND FLOOR,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU 560001

3. THE UNDER SECRETARY TO
GOVERNMENT
HYDERBAD KARNATAKA
SPECIAL CELL,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS DPAR,
SECOND FLOOR, VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU 560001
4. THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS
IN KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS,
NEW PUBLIC OFFICES
NRUPATHUNGA ROAD,
BANGALORE 560002
5. THE SPECIAL OFFICER
CENTRALISED ADMISSION CELL,
OPP KAVERI BHAVAN, K O ROAD,
BANGALORE 560002
6. THE SELECTION AND RECRUITMENT
AUTHORITY CUM DEPUTY DIRECTOR
OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS (ADM)
PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
VIAJAYANGARA DISTRICT,
VIJAYANAGARA 583134
7. SMT/KUM SWETHA D R
FATHER/HUSBAND NAME NOT KNOWN
TO PETITIONERS,
SL NO 13, REG 5178728,
SELECTED CATEGORY GM WM,
C/O DDPI AND SELECTION AUTHORITY,
VIJAYANAGARA DISTRICT
VIJAYANAGARA 583134

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8. SMT/KUM SANGEETHA IDALI
FATHER/HUSBAND NAME NOT KNOWN
TO PETITIONERS,
SL NO 19, REG 5198015,
SELECTED CATEGORY GM WM,
C/O DDPI AND SELECTION AUTHORITY,
VIJAYANAGARA DISTRICT
VIJAYANAGARA 583134

...RESPONDENTS

- (BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R6)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO CALL FOR RECORDS FROM THE RESPONDENTS AND SET ASIDE THE IMPUGNED ORDER DATED 22.09.2023 PASSED BY THE HON'BLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL AT BENGALURU IN APPLICATION Nos. 10432-10443/2023 (ANNEXURE-A) AND CONSEQUENTLY ALLOW THE SAID APPLICATION Nos. 10432-10443/2023 FILED BY THE PETITIONERS BEFORE THE HONBLE TRIBUNAL (ANNEXURE-B) IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY, ETC.

IN WP NO. 28614/2023

BETWEEN:

1. SRI SRINIVAS T. E.,
S/O ESHWARAPPA T
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS
RESIDING AT THIRUMALAPUPA VILLAGE
AMRUTHAPURA POST
HOLALKERE TALUK
CHITRADURGA - 577557
2. SRI MANJUNATHA D G
S/O GURUNARAYANAGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS
RESIDING AT DODDANAKATTE VILLAGE
BOOKANAKERE HOBLI

VITALAPURA POST, K R PETE
MANDYA - 571426

3. SRI MAHESHA V
S/O VENKATARAMANA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO 254
YECHAUNDLA, NAVILURU POST
MANAJANGUD TALUK
MYSORE - 571118
4. SRI SUNIL BENAWADI
S/O ISHWAR
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
RESIDING AT NAGANUR
K M POST
HUKKERI TALUK
BELAGAVI -591254
5. KUM VINANTHI K C
D/O CHANDRASHEKAR K V
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
RESIDING AT CHOWKI
KESAVE POST
KOPPA TALUK
CHIKKAMAGALUR - 577126
6. SRI JNANESH K M
S/O MANJUNATHASWAMY K B
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO 1136
3RD MAIN, 12TH CROSS
MAIN LAYOUT, VIJAYANAGAR
BANGALORE - 560040
8. SMT GIRIJA NAYAK
D/O GOPALA NAYAK
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS
RESIDING AT DRUVI COMPLEX
KATAPADI
KAPU TALUK UDUPI - 574106

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. OMKAR KAMBI FOR
SRI. SURAJ NAIK.,ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS ADDITIONAL
CHIEF SECRETARY DEPARTMENT
OF PERSONNEL
AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
VIDHANA SOUDHA
BANGALORE - 560001
2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(HIGHER EDUCATION)
M S BUILDING
BANGALORE - 560001
3. KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REPRESENTED BY ITS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
18TH CROSS
SAMPIGE ROAD
MALLESHWARAM
BANGALORE - 560012
4. SRI BEERAPPA
S/O HANUMAPPA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
RESIDING DEVICAMP
POST ARALAHALLI
SINDHANUR TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT - 584128
5. SRI HULUGAPPA M
S/O GONEPPA M
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
UTTANGI POST

HUVINAHADAGALI TALUK
VIJAYANAGAR DISTRICT - 583219

6. SRI ASHOKA K
S/O SRI SHANTHAMURTHY K
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS
R/AT NO 54, AGASAR ONI
15 GO GONALU, GONAHAL
SUGGENAHALLI, HOSPET BELLARY
KARNATAKA - 583129
7. SMT NEELAMMA K
W/O CHANDRASHEKAR
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
W.N 12, D N 38,
R.A. OPP NALLAMMA TEMPLE
REDDY STREET
BELLARY - 583101
8. SRI BHARAT DATTATREYA KULKARNI
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS
UMARGA POST SAGNOOR
AFZALPUR TALUK
KALABURGI DISTRICT - 585265
9. SMT NAFIS BANU
D/O RAJE SAB
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
R.A NO 85, 2ND WARD,
YARADONI, YERDONA
YERDONI,
GANGAVATHI KOPPAL
KARNATAKA - 583229
10. SRI CHANNAVEERAYYA
S/O SRI MAHANTAYYA HEREMATH
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
HANUMAN NAGAR
GUNJ BABALD,
GULBARGA
KARNATAKA - 585311

11. SRI JALIHALLI SHARANAPPA
S/O SRI JALIHALLI PORANAGOUDA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
R.A NEAR THAYAMMA TEMPLE
MUSTAGATTA POST
KURUGODU TALUK
BALLARI DISTRICT - 583116
12. SRI YALLAPPA
S/O SRI NAGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS
R/A BAGALWADA POST
MANVI TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT - 584120
13. SRI NAGARAJ
S/O SIDDAPPA MYAGALAMANI
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
RESIDENT OF KESOR
DOTIHAL POST
KUSHTAGI TALUK
KOPPAL DISTRICT - 583278
14. SRI SHEKAPPA H
S/O SRI HULIGEMMA H
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
RESIDENT OF BASAVAPUR
GENIKEHAL POST
KURUGODU TALUK
BELLARY DISTRICT - 583116
15. SRI. RAJEEV MATHA,
S/O SRI. SARVOTHAMAMATHA
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
R/O MALLAYYAKATTA
GURUMATHAKAL TOWN
YADGIR-585 214
16. SMT APARNA S R
D/O SIDDANA GOWDA A
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
RESIDENT OF GOKUL

WARD NO 15
BEHIND KARIBASAVESHWARA TEMPLE
NEW AMARVATHI
BHARATHINAGAR HOSPET
BELLARY - 583201

17. SRI PRAHSANTHABABU T S
S/O SRI SALEMANRAJ T
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
RESIDENT OF AZADNAGAR
3RD WARD, KUDLIGI - 583135
18. SMT SUMAYYA K
D/O SRI K MURTUZA
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
R.A NO 262, 16TH CROSS
BASAVESHWARA BADAVANE
HOSPET, BELLARY - 583201
19. SRI DURUGESHAPA
S/O SRI KARILINGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
RESIDENT OF BELAGURKI
MADSIRVA POST
SINDHNOOR TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT - 584128
20. SRI MUDAKAPPA
S/O SRI HANUMANTHAPPA
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
RESIDING NEAR GOVT HOSPITAL
FIRST WARD, TURVIHAL
SINDHANUR TALUK
RAICHUR DISTRICT - 584132
21. SMT RAJESHWARI
D/O SRI RAVICHANDRA
W/O SRI SHIVAKUMAR
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS
R.A NO PLOT NO 166
NGOS COLONY

NEW JEWARGI ROAD
KALABURGI - 585105

22. SRI VISHNUKUMAR H
S/O SRI H NAGARAJA RAO
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
R.A DOOR NO 3.175 C
18TH WARD BASAVESHWARA
BADAVANE HOSPET
VIJAYANAGAR DISTRICT - 583201
23. SRI KALEEL
S/O SRI BABU SAB
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
R.A WARD NO 22,
NEAR GOWDA HOTEL
MAHIBOOB COLONY
SINDHANUR
RAICHUR DISTRICT - 584128
24. SRI PRAVEEN KUMAR
S/O SRI KRISHNAJI
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS
R.A PLOT NO 18, 9
BIDDAPUR COLONY
BEHIND GANESH MANDIR
GULBARGA - 585103
25. SMT NAGAVENI
D/O SRI CHANDRASEHTTY BEKANAL,
AGED 38 YEARS
R.A PLOT NO 1/2
ALAND ROAD
VIJAYANAGAR COLONY
NEAR VIDYA CHETAN SCHOOL
GULBARGA - 585101

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R2;
SMT. PRAMODINI KISHAN, ADVOCATE FOR R3;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. PARASHURAM A.L., ADVOCATE FOR C/R6,

R4 TO R25)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO THE APPLICATION 956-965/2023 BEFORE THE HONBLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU AND QUASH THE FINAL ORDER DATED 22/09/2023 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, BENCH AT BENGALURU IN APPLICATION 956, 957, 959-962, 964 AND 965/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-A) AND FURTHER ALLOW THE APPLICATION NOS. 956, 957, 959-962, 964 AND 965/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-B) AND GRANT THE RELIEFS AS PRAYED BEFORE THE TRIBUNAL, INsofar AS THEY PERTAIN TO THE PETITIONERS, ETC.

IN WP NO. 29056/2023

BETWEEN:

1. MR. RUDRAMUNI
S/O SRI SHANTHVEERAYYA,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT 119,
GUDADUR MATA,
GUDADUR, TQ MASKI,
DIST RAICHUR,
KARNATAKA 584124
2. MR DEVRAJ
S/O SRI KASHINATH,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOME NO 2/64,
NEAR ARYA SAMAJ
AMBESANGAVI, BHALKI,
BIDAR 585328
3. MR PAVANKUMAR YAKALARE
S/O SRI PRADEEP YAKALARE
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOME 2/31
THANA KUSHNOOR,

KAMALNAGAR,
BIDAR 55436

4. MR DHAVAL
S/O SRI PADMARAJ ARJUNAGI,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT H.NO 1-8-20,
B.E CIVIL ENGINEERING,
MAHAVEER ROAD,
SHAHPURPET GANDHI
CHOWK, YADGIRI, 585201
5. MS ASHWINI CHAUDHRI
D/O SRI BASAVARAJ CHAUDHRI,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT ROOM NO 6A
BLOCK AT PTC NAGANAHALLI
RING ROAD POLICE TRAINING
COLLEGE GULBARGA 585102
6. MR DEVEENDRA REDDY
S/O SRI VAKEELA REDDY,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOUSE NO 4/66,
VEERABADRESWARA TEMPLE ROAD,
ALLUR(K), CHITTAPUR,
KALABURGI 585222
7. SMR SUNILKUMAR
S/O SRI HABAMANT MUGALI,
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT PLOT NO 16
KSRTC COLONY SAI RAM NAGAR
KALABURAGI 585102
8. MR MALLIKARJUNA
KENGBHARMAPNARA
S/O SRI BASAVARAJA
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
RESIDING AT NADUVINAHALLI POST
DASANAHALLI, TALUK

HUVINA HADAGALI, DISTRICT
VIJAYANAGAR 583217

9. MS SHASHIKALA
D/O SRI RANGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
RESIDING AT PWD QUARTERS
HAJI COLONY NEAR GANDHI
CHOWKA RAICHUR 584101
10. MS NANDITA
D/O SRI ERAPPA
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
RESIDING AT RANGANATHA
KIRANI STORE,
SIDDARAMESHWAR STREET 2,
DEVADURGA, RAICHUR 584111
11. MR YESURAJA
S/O SRI RANGAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT MANASAGAL,
POST KIRABAGERA, TQ
DEVADURGA
DIST RAICHUR PIN CODE 584111
12. MR BHARGAV
S/O SRI SHULAPANI,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NEAR
VEERBHADRESHWAR TEMPLE,
NARAYANAPUR ONI,
GURUMITKAL,
YADGIRI 585214
13. MR SABAPPA
S/O SRI NAGABHUSHAN
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING GOPI NILAYA
NEAR GIRANI BELAGERA ROAD
MUNDARAGI, YADGIR TALUK
YADGIR DISTRICT 585202

14. MR MALAPPA
S/O SRI DUNDAPA PUJARI,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOME NO 396
NEAR KD TEMPLE, VILLAGE
ARALAGUNDAGI, TQ YADRAMI
DIST KALABURAGI 585310
15. MR HIPPARGI MEHBOOB
DASTGEERASAHEB
S/O SRI DASTGEERASAHEB
BANDGEERSAB HIPPARGI
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT POST SUMBAD
HOME NO 1-70/1,
NEAR HANUMAN TEMPLE,
VILLAGE SUMBAD,
TQ JEWARGI,
DIST KALBRUGI 585325
16. MR YALLAGLINGA
S/O SRI REVANASIDDA
HELAVAR,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOUSE NO #E/30,
BALLUNDAAGI POST,
BALLUNDAAGI VILLAGE TQ
JEWARGI, DIST KALABURAGI
585130
17. MR SUNEELKUMAR
S/O SRI BABURAO DONI
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
RESIDING AT PLOT NO 27 DCC
BANK LAYOUT AMBEDKAR
NAGAR SHARANSIRASAGI
MADDI
KALABURAGI 585103
18. MS LAXMI NIGADI
D/O SRI VISHWANATH NIGADI,

AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,
RESIDING AT POST JEWARGI (B),
TQ AFZALPUR,
DIST KALABURGI 585301

19. MS MONIKA G
D/O SRI GURUSWAMI D
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT 115, SADGURU
NILAYA, SHREEKANTAPURA THANDA
GUDEKOTE POST, KUDLIGI TQ
VIJAYNAGAR DIST 583130
20. MRS SUDHARANI CHIKKALAKI
D/O SRI S M CHIKKALAKI
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
RESIDING AT 16TH CROSS,
NEAR WATER TANK VIDYAGIRI,
BAGALKOTE 587102
21. MS ASHARANI
D/O SRI REVANAYYA
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS
RESIDING AT H NO 4/221
DHANAGAR COLONY,
RAJESHWAR BIDAR 585331
22. MRS MAHANTESHWARI
D/O SRI SHIVANNA BHAVIKATTI,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
RESIDING AT C1/4, VIDYA NAGAR,
JSW TOWNSHIP,
TORANAGALLU 583123
23. MS SHIVANI
D/O SRI ASHOK KUMAR REDDY
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
RESIDING AT 11-3150/A NEAR
BALABHIMA SENA TEMPLE NEW
RAGHAVENDRA COLONY
KALABURAGI 585103

24. MR KARTIKREDDY
S/O SRI SANGAREDDY,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOUSE NO 1-28,
NEAR HANUMAN TEMPLE
ALLAPUR, AURAD BIDAR 585326

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. DR ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. PARASHURAM A L., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
PERSONNEL AD ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
DEPARTMENT (SERVICE RULES-1)
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
DR AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU 560001
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
2. THE KARNATAKA PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION
UDYOG BHAVAN, PALACE ROAD,
BENGALURU 560001
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
3. RURAL DRINKING WATER AND
SANITATION DEPARTMENT
2ND FLOOR, E BLOCK,
KHB BUILDING,
CAUVERY BHAVAN,
BENGALURU 560009
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
4. SRI DHANANJAY M
S/O SRI MAHADEV N
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 947,
3RD MAIN, 4TH CROSS,
VIDYARANYAPURA,
MYSURU 570008

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C/W WA No. 1218 of 2023
WP No. 52772 of 2019
AND 15 OTHERS**

5. SRI SAGAR D S
S/O SRI SURESH D S
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
NO 165, 3RD MAIN ROAD,
MEI LAYOUT,
BAGALAGUNTE,
HESARAGHATTA MAIN ROAD,
BENGALURU 560073

...RESPONDENTS

- (BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 & R3;
SRI. H. KANTHARAJA, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. RAVI H.K, ADVOCATE FOR R4 & R5;
SRI. K.M.PRAKASH, ADVOCATE FOR R2)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO CALL FOR THE RECORDS OF APPLICATION NUMBER 2688 AND 2689/2023 ON THE FILE OF THE HONBLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU AND ISSUE A WRIT OF CERTIORARI OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE WRIT, ORDER OR DIRECTION TO QUASH ORDER DATED 08/11/2023 PASSED BY THE HONBLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU IN APPLICATION NO.2688 AND 2689/2023 (ANNEXURE-A), ETC.

IN WP NO. 863/2024

BETWEEN:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
DEPARTMENT (SERVICE RULES-1)
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
DR AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU 560 001.
2. THE KARNATAKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,

**WP No. 1464 of 2024
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WP No. 52772 of 2019
AND 15 OTHERS**

UDYOGA BHAVAN, PALACE ROAD,
BENGALURU 560 001.

3. RURAL DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
DEPARTMENT
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,
2ND FLOOR, E BLOCK,
CAUVERY BHAVANA,
BENGALURU 560 009.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI.REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H. RAGHAVENDRA, AGA)

AND:

1. DHANANJAY M
S/O MAHADEV N,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO. 947,
3RD MAIN, 4TH CROSS,
VIDHYARANAUYAPURA,
MYSORE - 570 008.
2. SAGAR D S
S/O SURESH D S
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO. 165,
3RD MAIN ROAD,
MEI LAYOUT, BAGALGUNTE,
HESARGATTA MAIN ROAD,
BENGALURU 560 073.
3. SRI. KALLESHA C E
S/O SRI. ESWARA C K
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
R/AT DOOR No.11/A, 1ST CROSS
1ST MAIN, MARUTI LAYOUT
ATTIGUPPE, BENGALURU-560040.
4. SRI. RANGANATHA.M
S/O MANJUNATHA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS

R/AT No.401, 1ST MAIN
10TH CROSS, KEREANGALA
KAMALANAGARA,
BENGALURU 560079

5. SRI. KUMAR C.M
S/O MOHAN C K,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT ALEKATTE ROAD,
CHOWDLU [V], SOMAVARPETE,
KODAGU 571236
6. SRI. SUNEEL GUNDAPPA BADIGER
S/O GUNDAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT BABANAGAR, TIKOTA,
VIJAYAPURA- 586114
7. SRI. VARUN V B
S/O LATE BHUVANESH V T,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT 337/2 4TH BLOCK,
RADHAKRISHNA LAYOUT,
KUSHALNAGAR,
KODAGU-571234
8. SRI. EKANTH S N
S/O NAGENDRA S V,
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT SANKENAHALLI,
KOLALA HOBLI YELERAMPURA POST
KORATAGERE TALUK,
TUMKUR-572129
9. SRI. PAVANKUMAR R
S/O RAMESHA,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS, RESIDING AT HESARI(V)
SHIHGA(P), SORAB (TQ)
SHIVAMOGGA(DIST) - 577434
10. SRI. YATHEESHKUMAR N
S/O NARASANNA T S,

AGE ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT RANAGAPURA
OORUKERE POST
TUMKUR TALUK
TUMKUR DISTRICT - 572106

11. SRI. HANAMANTH HOSAGOUDRA
S/O KALLANAGOUD,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT MANGALURU VILLAGE,
POST- SHIVAHOGAMANDIRA,
BADAMI TALUK
BAGALKOT-587201
12. SRI. NAVEENKUMAR S
S/O SHIVAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT S N NAGAR 4TH CROSS,
SAGAR SAGAR (TQ)
SHIVAMOGGA (DIST) - 577401
13. SRI. RAKESH N M
S/O MALLESHAGOWDA,
AGED ABOUT 24YEARS,
RESIDING AT TEMPLE STREET,
NARASIPURA,
BELAVADI POST,
CHIKKAMAGALURU(TQ)
CHIKKAMAGALURU(D) -577146
14. SRI. JAYANTH K.C
S/O CHIKKAMARIGOWDA,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT 1882/33 5TH MAIN ROAD
9TH CROSS RPC LAYOUT,
VIJAYANAGAR,
BENGALURU-560104
15. SRI. PREMAKRISHNA M
S/O MANJUNATHA B,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT MUNIHUCHAPPANA PALYA,

DASANAPURA,
BANGALORE NORTH-562162

16. SRI. SHIVAKUMARA G
S/O GANGABHOVI,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT # KANIVEBILACHI (VP)
CHANNAGIRI TALUK,
DAVANGERE (D)-577231
17. SRI. SACHIN HANAMANT KALLIMANI
S/O HANAMANT
AGED 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT AMBEDKAR NAGAR
BILAGI, BILAGI TALUK,
BAGALKOT-587116
18. NAYANA S
D/O SOMASHEKHARAIHAH SO CHI,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT SOMENAHALLI POST,
HOSADURGA TALUK,
CHITRADURGA DISTRICT-577542
19. MAMATHASHREE R
D/O RANGASWAMY K,
AGED ABOUT 27 YRS,
RESIDING AT AMBEDKAR STREET,
RAMASAMUDRA,
CHAMARAJANAGAR-571342
20. JAYASHREE S JOGIN
D/O SATISH,
AGED 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT PARWATI POST,
BADAMI TALUK,
BAGALKOT DISTRICT -587203
21. SHREEDEVI VADDODAGI
D/O SHANTAGOUD VADDODAGI,
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT GADISOMANAL VILLAGE,

TALIKOTI (TQ)
VIJAYAPURA(D)-586214

22. SHAILAJA G
D/O GANGA NAIK,
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,
RESIDING AT KENGAPURA (V)
KANIVEBILACHI (P) CHANNAGIRI TQ,
DAVANGERE DIST -577231
23. ASHWINI P
D/O C C PRAKASH,
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO.
285, VIDYASHANKAR LAYOUT,
MYSURU- 570019
24. MAMATHA H K
D/O KUMARAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 26 YRS,
RESIDING AT HEBBAKA VILLAGE,
OORUKERE POST,
TUMKUR -572106
25. SONALI BABASAHEB KAMBLE,
D/O BABASAHEB,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT PLOT NO 2564,
GANESH CIRCLE,
RAMTIRTH NAGAR
BELGAVI 590016
26. PREMA HUNASYAL,
W/O SANGAMESHWAR PATIL,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT OPPOSITE ANJUMAN COLLEGE
MANGULLI ROAD, VIDYANAGAR,
VIJAYPUR-586101
27. NAGAVENI H U ,
D/O UMAPATHI,
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,

RESIDING AT NO.105 KEB CALONY,
SORABA, SORABA (T)
SHIVAMOGGA (D) 577429

28. SRI.MANOJ T K
S/O.KRISHNA MURTHY,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT VASAPPA COLONY,
TARIKERE(T) (P),
CHIKKAMAGALURU (D)-577228

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COURT ORDER DATED:16.10.2026**

29. MAHALAKSHMI K
D/O KRISHNAPPA P
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 532
LAKSHMI NILAYA,
ADARSHA NAGAR,
ARISHINAKUNTE,
NELAMANGALA,
BANGALORE RURAL -562123
30. SHWETA MAHABALESHWAR PATGAR
D/O MAHABALESHWAR PATGAR
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 245
KALLPURA, KULVE, SIRSI,
UTTARA KANNADA-581403
31. TEJESHWINI
D/O SIDDANNA MAGI
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
RESIDING AT TELLUR,
AFZALPUR TALUK,
KALABURGI-585212
32. LAKSHMI TONASHYAL
D/O PARASHURAM
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,

RESIDING AT NAGATHAN
VIJAYAPUR-586112

33. PRIYANKA ASHWINI R
D/O RAJASEGARAN
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 169,
WESLIAN BLOCK,
COROMANDEL POST, KGF,
BANGARAPETE, KOLAR-563118
34. KAVYA
C/O CHANNAPPA BANDE
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT WARD NO 5
SONNAD STREET KEMBHAVI,
SHORAPUR, YADAGIR-585216
35. SRI.SHARANABASAVA
S/O SAMBHOJI
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NEAR BUS STAND
TALKIES COLONY
GURUGUNTA POST,
LINGASUGURU TALUK,
RAICHUR-584139
36. SRI.HARISH R B
S/O BASAVARAJ S R
AGED ABOUT 25 YEARS,
RESIDING AT UPPU NERU BHAVI ROAD,
BURUJANAHATTI,
CHITRADURGA-577501
37. SRI.GIRISH M NARGUND
S/O MAILARAPPA NARGUND
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
RESINDING AT AMBEDKAR NAGAR,
SAVADATTI ROAD, NARGUND,
GADAG-582207

38. SRI.NAGARAJ CHAVADAPPANAVAR
S/O SHIVANAND
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT ANAND MARGA INCHAL ROAD,
BAILHONGALA, BELAGAVI-591102
39. SRI.MALLIKARJUN BASAVARAJ KUCHABAL
S/O BASAVARAJ
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT JAI BHEEM NAGAR,
SINDAGI, VIJAYAPUR-586128
40. SRI.DARSHAN S N
S/O NAGARAJU
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 09
SUPRAJA NILAYA
YADHUGIRI BADAVANE,
SARAGURU MYSURU-571121
41. SRI.RAVI S AGASAR
S/O SHIVANNA
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT CHIKKABEVANUR,
INDI, VIJAYAPUR-586211
42. SRI.VEERESH BADIGER
S/O RAMAKRISHNA BADIGER
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 421,
PETE ONI, HIREKUMBI,
SAVADATTI, BELGAUM-591110
43. SRI.KARTHIK R
S/O RAJAPPA R
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 11/1 ,
12 SKANDA NILAYA,
GRAMADEVATHA STREET,
CHIKKAMAVALLI,
LALBHAG WEST GATE,
BENGALURU-560004

44. SRI.NARESH K L
S/O LAKSHMINARASIMHAIAH
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 288,
WARD NO 14, NANDI ROAD,
KANDAVARA TOWN,
CHIKKABALLPURA-562103
45. SRI.ASIF NADAF
S/O AKBAR NADAF
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS,
RESIDING AT M G NAGAR
GHATTARGA ROAD AFZALPUR
KALABURGI-585301
46. SRI.JAYAPRAKASHA S
S/O SHANKARAPPA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS,
RESIDING AT 595/3,
1 ST MAIN, 1ST CROSS,
BESIDE SBI BANK ROAD,
LENIN NAGAR, NITTUVALLI,
DAVANAGERE 577004
47. SRI.SHASHANK K
S/O KABBALAIHA S M
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 901 DOMBARADODDI
KOLLIGANAHALLI POST
KANAKAPURA TALUK
RAMANAGARA-562112
48. SRI.PREETHAM KUMAR S M
S/O MANJANAYAKA
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 106,
BANGALORE ROAD,
OPPOSITE LAKKIBHANA TEMPLE,
SHRAVANABELAGOLA,
CHANNARAYAPATNA,
HASSAN-573135

49. SRI.SIDDESH S
S/O SIDDALINGAPPA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
RESIDING AT MATHIHALLI,
HARAPANAHALLI,
BALLARI-583127
50. PUSHPANJALI N J
D/O JAYANNA
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NAGATHIHALLI JAJUR POST,
ARSIKERE TALUK, HASSAN-573103
51. SRI.NAYAZ SHARIEF H D
S/O I HUSSAIN PEER
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT OPPOSITE
NAVACHETHANA SCHOOL,
CHITRADURGA-577501
52. SRI.SRIKANTHA S
S/O SRIRAMANAIAK
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT SRIRANGAPURA
THANDA VILLAGE
SRIRANGAPURA POST
PAVAGADA TALUK
TUMAKURU-561202
53. SRI.PAVANKUMAR BADIGER
S/O GANESH
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS,
RESIDING AT KALLEDEVAR,
BYADGI TALUK, HAVERI-581106
54. SRI.RAVIKUMAR ANNAPPA NAIK
S/O ANNAPPA NAIK
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
RESIDING AT SHIRALAGI POST
SIDDAPUR TALUK
UTTARA KANNADA-581355

55. SRI.SAGAR S V
S/O VENKATESHWARA S
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT BLOCK
B2/5 POLICE QUARTERS
RADIO PARK COWL
BAZAAR BALLARI -583102
56. SRI.DANNUPRASAD NAYAK
S/O TIRUPATHI NAYAK
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
RESIDING AT CHIKKA
BANNIGOL TANDA,
YALABURGA TALUK,
KOPPAL-583237
57. SRI.GAJANANDARADDY
S/O NAGARADDY
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS,
RESIDING AT BELDAL VILLAGE,
KOLLUR POST, AURAD TALUK,
BIDAR-585326
58. SRI.BIRADAR SANGAMESHWAR
S/O ASHOK
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 14/2/143 HUGERI,
NEAR BHAGAMMA TEMPLE,
BIDAR-585401
59. SRI.MANJUNATHA H KONDAGURI
S/O HANAMAN TAPPA KONDAGURI
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HIREARALIHALLI,
YALABURGA TALUK,
KOPPAL - 583277
60. SRI.MANOJ HANCHATE
S/O MARUTI HANCHATE
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,

RESIDING AT VIDYANAGAR TALIKOTI,
VIJAYPUR-586214

61. SRI.UMESHA D
S/O DEVARAJU
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT SHIVANI VILLAGE
AJJAMPURA TALUK
CHIKKAMAGALURU-577549
62. SRI.SHARANAPPA
S/O MOOKAPPA HULI
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HIREARALIHALLI
YALBURGA TALUK KOPPAL-583277
63. SRI.MAHENDRA KURTAKOTI
S/O MAHADEVAPPA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NEELAGUNDA
NEAR GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL
GADAG-582117
64. SALMA
W/O SADDAMHUSAIN YADRAMI
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS,
RESIDING AT KALAKERI
SINDAGI TALUK
VIJAYAPURA-586118
65. SRI.SUHAS
S/O PRADEEP BHANDARI
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
KEREKON, AREANGADI,
HONNAVARTALUK
UTTARA KANNADA -581334
66. SRI.PRAVEENA N P
S/O PUTAPPA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NAGENAHALLI VILLAGE,

BAGUR POST, HOSADURGA TALUK,
CHITRADURGA-577515

67. SRI.LOKESHA N
S/O NINGAPPA N
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO 72
NEAR LAKSHMI TEMPLE,
JAMMAPURA VILLAGE,
THORANAGATTE, JAGALURU,
DAVANAGERE-577521
68. SRI.SATHEESHA K
S/O KRISHNA
AGED ABOUT 36 YEARS,
RESIDING AT KEB OPPOSITE
BASAVALINGAIAH BUILDING
BYCHAPURA MAGADI TALUK
RAMANAGARA-562120
69. SRI.MAHANTHESH M
S/O MAHESHWARAPPA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
RESIDING AT BYERAGONDANAHALLI VILLAGE,
YARADAKERE POST, KADUR TALUK,
CHIKKAMAGALURU-577180
70. SRI.MAHESHA K R
S/O RAMESHA
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
RESIDING AT K HOSAHALLI VILLAGE,
ARANI POST, BELLURU HOBLI,
NEGAMANGALA TALUK, MANDYA-571418
71. SRI.SANNAMEER
S/O MALAPPA
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HATTIKUNI
YADAGIR-585202
72. PALLAVI K
D/O LATE KARIYAPPA K

AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
RESIDING AT KARUVINA KATTE CIRCAL,
KYATHALINGESHEARA TEMPLE,
CHITRADURGA-577501

73. SRI.SUNEEL BAGEWADI
S/O RAVUTAPPA BAGEWADI
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
RESIDING AT IQBAL NAGAR
TELAGI ROAD,
BASAVAN BAGEWADI TALUK
VIJAYAPUR-586203
74. SRI.VINCENTRAJ
S/O BASAVARAJ
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
RESIDING AT A386,
A BLOCK, ASHRAYA BADAVANE,
BOMMANAKATTE,
SHIVAMOGGA - 577202
75. SRI.NAGABHUSHANA N
S/O NANJUNADAPPA
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS,
RESIDING AT GOPISHETTYKOPPA,
SIDDESHWARA CIRCLE, GOPALA POST,
SHIVAMOGGA TALUK,
SHIVAMOGGA- 577205
76. SRI.PRAVEEN HUGAR
S/O SHARANAPPA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
RESIDING AT KUCHBAL POST,
BAVOOR, MUDDEBIHAL TALUK,
VIJAYPUR-586116
77. SRI.RANGANATH AJAMANI
S/O SABANNA
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
RESIDING AT INDIRA NAGAR,
MUDDEBIHAL TALUK VIJAYAPUR-586212

78. SRI.VEERANGOUDA PATIL
S/O BASANAGOUDA PATIL
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
RESIDING AT YANKANCHI,
SINDAGI TALUK BIJAPUR-586128

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79. MANOJ KUMAR K
S/O MAHABALA RAI
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
KUNDAPU HOUSE, YETHADKA POST,
KASARAGOD, PADRE,
KASARAGOD – 671551
80. YATHEESHKUMARA K D
S/O DHARMAKUMARA
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
MADAVARA, DASANAPURA HOBLI,
NELAMANGALA TALUK,
BENGALURU RURAL,
KARNATAKA - 562123
81. PRASHANTHKUMARA M
S/O MAHABALESHWARA B
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
DNO 102, MANDAGALALE VILLAGE,
KANLE POST, SAGAR,
SHIMOGA – 577430
82. DINESH Y G
S/O YUVARAJ G,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
GUDAVI , GUDAVI (P) SORAB (TA)
SHIMOGA (DI),
KARNATAKA – 577429
83. GOWTHAM C
S/O CHANDRASHEKHAR,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
ANEGOLA VILLAGE AND POST K

IKKERI HOBLI, KRISHNARAJPET
TALUK, MANDYA DISTRICT – 571423

84. LOKESH YALLING SANADI
S/O YALLALING
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
AP KARAGAON TQ,
CHIKODI DIST, BELAGAVI
BELGAUM – 591226
85. MAHANTHAKUMAR S
S/O SOMASHEKHAR R
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,
NO.86, ANGANAVADI SCHOOL NEAR,
C LAKKALAHALLI, SANDUR TQ,
BELLARY DIST- 583128
86. KIRANAKUMAR R
S/O RAJA NAIK L,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
AT HANCHI THANDA POST,
BHARANGI TQ,
SORAB SHIMOGA – 577413
87. VEENA H K
D/O KADAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS,
HULLIDORE POST, BUKKAPATNA
HOBLI, SIRA TALUK,
TUMKUR DISTRICT – 572137
88. SAHANA S S
D/O SURESH,
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
DOOR NO 32,
SURAGALLI BETTADAPURA HOBLI,
SURAGALLI VILLAGE, PIRIYAPATNA
MYSORE – 571187
89. SUSHMITHA L K
D/O LAKSHMANAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS,

39 KALLAMBI GUDAVI SORABA,
SHIMOG – 577429

90. H KAVERI
H KAVERI D/O P HANUMANTHAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
SHAMBAINOOR, BEERNALLI POST,
SHIVANI HOBLI SHIVANI R S
TARIKERE, CHIKMAGALUR – 577549
91. MALLIKARJUNAGOUDA M
S/O HEMANAGOUDA M,
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
NEAR WATER TANK,
SHIVANANDA NAGARA,
BYASIGADERI POST,
HAGARIBOMMANA HALLI TALUK,
VIJAYANAGARA DIST – 583224

**IA.6/2024 IMPEADED VIDE
COURT ORDER DATED:16.10.2026**

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. H.KANTHARAJA, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. RAVI.H.K, ADVOCATE FOR C/R1;
SRI. BHARGAV.G, ADVOCATE FOR R2;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. PARASHURAM A.L, ADVOCATE FOR
IMPLEADING APPLICANT IN IA.3, 5 AND 6/2024;
SRI. K.M.PRAKASH, ADVOCATE FOR R2)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO
QUASH THE ORDER DATED 08.11.2023 (ANNEXURE-A)
PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE
TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU IN APPLICATION Nos. 2688 AND
2689 OF 2023, ETC.

IN WP NO. 1633/2024

BETWEEN:

1. SMT. VIDYASHREE K M
W/O SHASHIDHAR,
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO. 558,
GROUND FLOOR,
20/B CROSS, 12TH MAIN,
C BLOCK, VIJAYANAGARA
3RD STAGE,
MYSURU - 570030.
 2. SRI KALEEMULLA
S/O MOHAMMED ZABIBULLA,
RESIDING AT IDAGUR VILLAGE AND POST,
GOUORIBIDANUR TALUK,
CHIKKABALLAPURA DISTRICT - 561208.
- ...PETITIONERS
- (BY SRI. OMKAR KAMBI FOR
SRI. SURAJ NAIK., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(HIGHER EDUCATION)
M.S. BUILDING,
BANGALORE-560001.
2. THE SECRETARY
DPAR (RULES)
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BANGALORE 560001.
3. THE DIRECTOR
APPOINTING AUTHORITY,
COLLEGIATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,

K R CIRCLE,
BENGALURU 560001.

4. KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REPRESENTED BY ITS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
18TH CROSS, SAMPIGE ROAD,
MALLESHWARAM,
BANGALORE - 560012.
5. SRI SIDDALINGAPPA
REG NO. G2035(HISTORY)
6. SMT RADHA M
REG NO. J5643(HISTORY)
7. SRI GURUDEVARAMATHAD SAVITHRAMMA
REG NO. A2305(HISTORY)
8. SMT SUJATHA SIRIYANNAVAR
REG NO. G1570(HISTORY)
9. SRI YALLAPPA
REG NO. G3852(HISTORY)
10. SMT NAGAVENI
REG NO. G3775(HISTORY)
11. SMT REJESHWARI
REG NO. G3539(HISTORY)
12. SMT PAVITHRA
REG NO. G3850(HISTORY)
13. SRI SREESHA VITTALA D
REG NO. A0726(COMMERCE)
14. SRI NEMANI SATISH
REG NO. J0192(COMMERCE)
15. SRI TAJ BABA
REG NO. G1425(COMMERCE)

16. SRI K VASANTHKUMAR
REG NO. J3035(COMMERCE)
17. SRI VIANAYAKA B
REG NO. G0460(COMMERCE)
18. SRI VEERABADRAESHWARA G
REG NO. A5633(COMMERCE)
19. SRI BASAVANAGOUDA
REG NO. G2318(COMMERCE)
20. SRI ANIL KUMAR
REG NO. G3113(COMMERCE)
21. SRI SHARANABASAVA H M
REG NO. J2011(COMMERCE)
22. SRI SYED IFTAKARODDIN
REG NO. S3132(COMMERCE)
23. SRI GANGADARA B
REG NO. J5556(COMMERCE)
24. SRI NEELAMMA VAKRA
REG NO. J3132(COMMERCE)
25. SRI AMEEN SAB
REG NO. G0120(COMMERCE)
26. SRI ASHWINI
REG NO. G3701(COMMERCE)
27. SRI KALEEL
REG NO. G3689(COMMERCE)
28. SRI CHANNAVEERAYYA
REG NO. G1886(COMMERCE)
29. SMT ASHA LATHA G
REG NO. A3791(COMMERCE)

30. SRI RAJESH N
REG NO. G3134(COMMERCE)
31. SRI YERRI SWAMY
REG NO. J1630(COMMERCE)
32. SRI EJAJ
REG NO. G2308(COMMERCE)
33. SRI K AMBIKA
REG NO. G3458(COMMERCE)
34. SRI BALAJI
REG NO. G3700(COMMERCE)
35. SMT NAFIS BANU
REG NO. J5044(COMMERCE)
36. SRI VEERABADRAYYA
REG NO. J4382(COMMERCE)
37. SRI SURESHKUMAR
REG NO. J1893(COMMERCE)
38. SRI VEERALINGAPPA H
REG NO. J1378(COMMERCE)
39. SRI HARISH TIGARI
REG NO. J5787(COMMERCE)
40. SMT FARINA BEGUM
REG NO. J2378(COMMERCE)

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 & R2;
SMT. PRAMODINI KISHAN, ADVOCATE FOR R3 & R4;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SMT. AISHWARYA S.M, ADVOCATE FOR R5, R6, R13 TO
R21, R23 TO R26, R29 TO R34, R37 AND R40;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. A.L.PARASHURAM, ADVOCATE FOR R9 TO R12,

**WP No. 1464 of 2024
C/W WA No. 1218 of 2023
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R27, R28, R35, R36, R38, R39;
R7 SERVED)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO THE APPLICATION 1518-1519/2023 BEFORE THE HONBLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU AND QUASH THE FINAL ORDER DATED 02/11/2023 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU IN APPLICATION NOS. 1518-1519/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-A) AND FURTHER ALLOW THE APPLICATION NOS. 1518-1519/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-B) AND GRANT THE RELIEFS AS PRAYED BEFORE THE TRIBUNAL, INSOFAR AS THEY PERTAIN TO THE PETITIONERS, ETC.

IN WP NO. 1900/2024

BETWEEN:

1. SMT. PAVITRA C
W/O VIJAYA KUMAR S.
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOME NO. 2900,
11TH CROSS, R P ROAD,
NANJANAGUDU,
MYSORE DISTRICT - 571301.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. OMKAR KAMBI FOR
SRI. SURAJ NAIK., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE CHIEF SECRETARY
KARNATAKA STATE GOVERNMENT,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BANGALORE 560001.
2. THE SECRETARY
DPAR(RULES)
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BANGALORE 560001.

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3. THE DIRECTOR
APPOINTING AUTHORITY,
COLLEGIATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
K R CIRCLE,
BENGALURU 560001.
4. KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REPRESENTED BY ITS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
18TH CROSS, SAMPIGE ROAD,
MALLESHWARAM,
BANGALORE 560012.
5. SMT RANJITA B L
REG NO. X1551(MATHS)
6. SMT PARVATI
REG NO. U1232.
7. SMT SHANTHAKUMARI Y
REG NO. J2596.
8. SRI CHANNABASAVAYYA
REG NO. G3468.
9. SMT APARNA S R
REG NO. G3707.
10. SRI ASHOK K
REG NO. J4347.
11. SMT SHIVALEELA
REG NO. J2200.
12. SRI CHANNAVEERAPPALA SATEESHA
REG NO. J3335.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R3;
SMT. PPRAMODINI KISHAN, ADVOCATE FOR R4;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR

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C/W WA No. 1218 of 2023
WP No. 52772 of 2019
AND 15 OTHERS**

SMT. AISHWARYA S.M, ADVOCATE FOR R5 TO R8;
SRI. S.M.CHANDRASHEKAR, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. GIRISH G.N ADVOCATE FOR R9 TO R12)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO CALL FOR THE ENTIRE RECORDS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION 1520/2023 BEFORE THE HON'BLE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU AND QUASH THE FINAL ORDER DATED 02.11.2023 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU IN APPLICATION No. 1520/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE A) AND FURTHER ALLOW THE APPLICATION No. 1520/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-B) AND GRANT THE RELIEFS AS PRAYED BEFORE THE TRIBUNAL, INsofar AS THEY PERTAIN TO THE PETITIONERS, ETC.

IN WP NO. 2034/2024

BETWEEN:

1. SRI AKHANDAPPA REVADI
S/O NINGAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 37 YEARS,
RESIDING AT HOME NO.70,
KHDC NEKAR COLONY,
ILKAL, BAGALKOT 587125
2. SRI MAHADEVAPRASAD K P
S/O PRABHUSWAMY M,
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS,
R/AT KOTHALWADI VILLAGE AND POST
CHAMARAJANAGAR TALUK,
CHAMARAJANAGAR 571123
3. SRI SUKESH CHANDRASHEKAR
S/O CHANDRASHEKAR,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
R/AT NANDADEEPA NILAYA,
NANDAMATTI, NAVUNDA,

**WP No. 1464 of 2024
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AND 15 OTHERS**

BYNDUR TALUK,
UDUPI 576224

4. SRI SURESH SHANKANNAVAR S
S/O SHESHAPPA SANKANNAVAR,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
RESIDING AT
MASANAKATTI POST,
HANAGAL TALUK,
HAVERI DISTRICT 581104
5. SMT SUVARNA MALIPATIL
D/O CHANNABASAVANAGOUDA,
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
R/AT KOTI ONI,
MULAGUNDI,
GADAG 582117

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. OMKAR KAMBI, FOR
SRI. SURAJ NAIK., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE CHIEF SECRETARY
KARNATAKA STATE GOVERNMENT,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU 560001
2. THE SECRETARY
DPA(RULES),
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU 560001
3. THE DIRECTOR
APPOINTING AUTHORITY,
COLLEGIATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
K R CIRCLE,
BENGALURU 560001
4. KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REP BY ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,

18TH CROSS,
SAMPIGE ROAD,
MALLESHWARAM
BANGALORE 560012

5. SRI KURUBAR GADILINGAPPA
REG NO.J5055,
SUBJECT: KANNADA
6. SRI GALAKANAGOUDA AMAREGOUDA
REG NO.J0646,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
7. SRI SREESHA VITTALAD
REG NO.A1726,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
8. SRI NEMANI SATISH
REG NO.J0192,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
9. SRI TAJ BABA
REG NO.G1425,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
10. SRI K VASANTHAKUMAR
REG NO.J3035,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
11. SRI VINAYAK B
REG NO.G0460,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
12. SRI VEERABADRESHWARA G
REG NO.A5633,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
13. SRI BASAVANAGOUDA
REG NO.G2318,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS

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14. SRI ANIL KUMAR
REG NO.G3113,
SUBJECT: ECONOMICS
15. SRI CHANNAMALLAYYA HIEMATH
REG NO.J5926,
SUBJECT: SOCIOLOGY
16. SRI NAGARAJA A
REG NO.J0832,
SUBJECT: ENGLISH
17. SRI PRASHANT
REG NO.G1780,
SUBJECT: ENGLISH
18. SRI SIDDALINGAPPA
REG NO.G2035,
SUBJECT: HISTORY
19. SRI RADHA M
REG NO.J5643,
SUBJECT: HISTORY
20. SRI. MAHADEVA,
S/O RAMANNA
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
R/AT RAJALBANDA VILLAGE,
KURDI HOBOLI, MANVI TALUK,
RAICHUR-584203

**IA.1/2026 IMPEADED VIDE COURT
ORDER DATED:16.10.2026**

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R3;
SMT. PRAMODINI KISHAN, ADVOCATE FOR R4;
DR. ADITYA SONDHI, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SMT. AISHWARYA S.M, ADVOCATE FOR R5 TO R19;
SRI. NISCHAL DEV, ADVOCATE FOR PROPOSED
R20 IN IA 1/2026 FOR IMPEADING)

**WP No. 1464 of 2024
C/W WA No. 1218 of 2023
WP No. 52772 of 2019
AND 15 OTHERS**

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO CALL FOR THE ENTIRE RECORD PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION No-1512-1517/2023 BEFORE THE HON'BLE KSAT PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU AND QUASH THE FINAL ORDER DATED 02.11.2023 PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATION TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH AT BENGALURU IN A.No-1512-1516/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-A) AND FURTHER ALLOW THE APPLICATION No1512-1516/2023 (VIDE ANNEXURE-B) AND GRANT THE RELIEFS AS PRAYED BEFORE THE TRIBUNAL INSO FAR AS THEY PERTAIN TO THE PETITIONERS, ETC.

IN WP NO. 7927/2024

BETWEEN:

1. THE KARNATAKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,
UDYOGA SOUDHA,
PARK HOUSE ROAD,
BENGALURU-560 001.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. PRAKASH K M., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE,
REFORMS DEPARTMENT (SERVICE RULES-1)
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU-560 001.

2. RURAL DRINKING WATER AND
SANITATION DEPARTMENT
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,
2ND FLOOR, E BLOCK,
KHB BUILDING,
CAUVERY BHAVANA,
BENGALURU-560 009.
3. DHANANJAY. M
S/O. MAHADEV.N,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
NO. 947, 3RD MAIN,
4TH CROSS,
VIDHYARANYAPURA,
MYSORE-570 008.
4. SAGAR. D. S.
S/O. SURESH. D. S.,
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
NO. 165, 3RD MAIN ROAD,
MEI LAYOUT, BAGALGUNTE,
HESARGHATTA MAIN ROAD,
BENGALURU-560 073.
5. SRI. KIRANKUMARA S BIRADARA
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
S/O SOMASHEKHARAPPA
R/ATKORWAR POST, SINDGI,
VIJAYAPURA - 586120
6. SRI. NAGARAJA U.M
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
S/O MANJUNATHA U.G
R/AT KITHUR POST
KURUDI
DAVANAGERE-577512
7. SMT. POOJA S.K
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
D/O L KANTHARAJAIAH
R/AT KUNIGAL
TUMKUR-572130

8. SMT. SUHASINI JADHAV
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
D/O DISSARAM JADHAV
R/AT NADKHURD POST
INDI, BIJAPUR-586217
9. SMT. GAGANA.G
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
W/O MAHESHA
R/AT BANDUR POST,
ARSIKERE TALUK
HASSAN-573125.

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10. SRI. PRAKASH
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
(REG No.5215166)
S/O YALLAPPA
NEAR STALLA MARYS CHURCH
KALMADY
KODAVOOR, UDUPI-576108
11. SRI. KOUSHIK C.NAIK,
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
(REG. No.5215304)
S/O CHANDRA NAIK
No.5, 2ND CROSS,
3RD MAIN
GOPI SHETTY KOPPA,
GOPALA EXTENSION
SHIVAMOGGA - 577 205
12. SRI. VINITH, AGED ABOUT 33 YARS
(REG. No.5216392)
S/O M.SEETHARAMA
No.2-97/1, LEELA NILAYA,
NEAR DEREBAIL CHURCH
MANGALURU-575008

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13. SRI. SACHIN M.S.
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
(REG. No.5221607)
S/O SHIVANNA H.C
ARKESHWARANAGAR, 3RD CROSS,
GUTHAL COLONY
MANDYA - 571 401.
14. SRI. DEEKSHITH C.M
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
(REG. No.5223105)
S/O MAHENDRA
BAYLAPURA VILLAGE,
SALIGRAMA HOBLI,
K.R.NAGARA TALUK,
CHIKKA NAYAKANA HALLI POST
MYSURU-571604.

**I.A.2/2025 FOR IMPEADING ALLOWED
VIDE ORDER DATED:16.10.2026.**

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. RAGHAVENDRA S.H, AGA FOR R1 AND R2;
SRI. H.KANTHARAJA, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. RAVI H.K, ADVOCATE FOR R3;
SRI. BHARGAV.G, ADVOCATE FOR R4;
SRI. B.O.ANIL KUMAR, ADVOCATE FOR
PROPOSED R5 TO R9 IN I.A.1/2025 FOR IMPEADING;
SRI. N.G.PHADKE, ADVOCATE FOR PROPOSED R10 IN
IN 2/2025 FOR IMPEADING)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO
ISSUE A WRIT IN THE NATURE OF CERTIORARI BY
QUASHING THE IMPUGNED ORDER DATED 08/11/2023
PASSED IN APPLICATION NOS. 2688 AND 2689/2023 BY
THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, VIDE
ANNEXURE-B, ETC.

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IN WP NO. 9473/2024

BETWEEN:

1. SRI C S RAJASHEKAR
S/O SOMASHEKAR
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS,
R/AT CHIGAHALLI VILLAGE
BOOVANAHALLI POST,
KASABA HOBLI
HOLENARASIPURA TALUK
HASSAN DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. K.N.NITHISH, FOR
SRI. K V NARASIMHAN., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP BY ITS CHIEF SECRETARY,
VIDHANA SOUDHA
BENGALURU 560001
2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP BY ITS UNDER SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
M S BUILDING
AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU 560001
3. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REP BY ITS UNDER SECRETARY,
(HYDERABAD KARNATAKA SPECIAL CELL),
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
M S BUILDING, AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU 560001

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4. THE KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION
CORPORATION LIMITED
DIRECTOR,
ADMIN ANDHRA, 1ST FLOOR
KAVERI BHAVAN, K G ROAD
BENGALURU 560009

5. THE KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
REP BY ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
SAMPIGERAOD, 18TH CROSS
MALLESHWARAM,
BENGALURU 560012

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R3;
SRI. A.CHANDRACHUD, ADVOCATE FOR R4;
SRI. N.K.RAMESH, ADVOCATE FOR R5)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO
QUASH THE CIRCULAR NO. CSUE 03 HAKKU 2019 DATED.
01.02.2023 ISSUED BY THE R-2 (ANNEXURE-A) IN SO FAR
AS PETITIONER IS CONCERNED, ETC.

IN WP NO. 16343/2024

BETWEEN:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
M.S. BUILDING,
DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI,
BENGALURU-560 001.
2. THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE
RECRUITMENT AND CHAIRMAN,
SPL. RSI (KSRP AND IRB),
RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE,
CARLTON HOUSE,

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PALACE ROAD,
BENGALURU-560 001.

3. THE ADDL. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE
RECRUITMENT AND CHAIRMAN,
SPECIAL RESERVED SUB-INSPECTOR,
(KSRTF AND IRB),
SELECTION COMMITTEE,
CARLTON PALACE,
PALACE ROAD,
BENGALURU-560 001.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA)

AND:

1. SAGAR BABU SATWAR
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS,
S/O. BABU DUNDAPPA SATWAR,
SATWAR GALLI EXAMBA,
CHIKODI,
BELGAVI-591 244,
KARNATAKA.
2. HANUMANTHA REDDY
S/O NALLAPPA REDDY
KAMPLI ROAD, OPP AGASE,
LAXMIPUR, LAXMIPURA
BELLARY, KARNATAKA-583113
AGE:38 YEARS
3. KURUBARAMANJUNATHA
S/O BHEEMESHAPPA K
H No.06 A/2, BLOCK 23, WARD
RADIO PARK POLICE QUARTERS
HAGGARIBOMMANAHALLI, BALLARI,
KARNATAKA-583102
AGE:39 YEARS
4. SIDDAGANDIKALINGAPPA
S/O GAVISIDDAPPA

H No.106/6, KURABAR STREET
LINEAR KADASIDDESHWARA TEMPLE
TEKKALAKOTE, BELLARY,
KARNATAKA-583122
AGE 40 YEARS

5. NAGARAJA G
S/O MULDEPPA G
DOOR No-TS1212, WARD #5,
HONNALLI ROAD, GUGGARAHATTI,
NEAR NURSING COLLEGE,
BELLARY, COWL BAZAR,
KARNATAKA-583102
AGE:39 YEARS
6. SIDDAPPA
S/O SAKRAPPA VIRAPUR
HIRENANDIHAL, KUSTAGI,
KOPPAL, KARNATAKA - 583 277
AGE:35 YEARRS
7. RAMESHA
S/O KUMARAPPA
#335, 7TH MILE CROSS, HUNSIHALHUDA,
RAICHUR, KARNATAKA - 584136
AGE:35 YEARS
8. SHIVARAJKUMAR
S/O SHEKARAPPA,
RAMPUR, TQ-LINGASUR, NOWLI,
RAICHUR, KARNATAKA-58127
AGE:32 YEARS
9. CHAITANYA KUMAR V
S/O V.BABJEE,
#421, WARD#3, JANGAMARKALGUDI,
GANGAVATHI, DIST-KOPPAL,
KARNATAKA-583268
AGE:29 YEARS
10. PRASHANTH
S/O BASANAGOUDA

#06, WARD #1,
NEAR GOVT SCHOOL
HULKIHALLI, MARLANAHALLI
KOPPAL, KARNATAKA-583229
AGE:28 YEARS

11. SUHAS KUMAR V
S/O VENKATACHALAIHAH,
#60, KARIOBANAHALLI,
BANGALORE NORTH,
NAGASANDRA POST, BENGALURU,
KARNATAKA-560073
AGE:28 YEARS
12. JAGADEESHA SM
S/O MUNIKAKAPPA
#243, 7TH WARD, 5TH CROSS,
VINAYAKA NAGAR, MV EXTN,
HOSAKOTE
BENGALURU RURAL,
KARNATAKA-562114.
AGE:33 YEARS
13. SHAMBULINGANGOUDA V PATIL
S/O LATE VEERUPAKSHANGOUDA,
CHIKKOPPA S K,
KALAHALRAMADURGA
BELAGAVI, KARNATAKA-591127
AGE:34 YEARS
14. SHIVASHANKARA NAIK H R
No.20, THANU HOMES, 1ST FLOOR
6TH MAIN, 13 A CROSS,
JNANA JYOTHI NAGAR
ULLAL MAIN ROAD,
BENGALURU-560056
AGE:31 YEARS
15. NAGINI M
D/O LATE MARIMALLAIAH
CHATIPURA VILLAGE,
MASANAPURA,

SANTHEMARAHALLI HOBLI,
CHAMARAJANAGAR TALUK
KARNATAKA-571117
AGE:33 YEARS

16. MAILAR DASANAKOPPA
S/O CHANNAPPA DASANAKOPPA
GARADI ONI, NIGADI,
TALUK AND DISTRICT DHARWAD,
KARNATAKA-580118
AGE:27 YEARS
17. ABHIJITH.K.M
MUDIGERE TALUK
KUNDUR, CHIKMAGALUR, MUDIGERE,
KARNATAKA-577132
AGE:33 YEARS
18. VINAYAK BASAVARAJ DHOOLASHETTI
KOHALLI GALLI, ADAHALLI,
BELGAUM, KARNATAKA-591248
AGE:26 YEARS
19. ABDULSAB KAROSHI
MAKHANAPUR ROAD,
KANNUR TALUK,
VIJAYAPURA,
KARNATAKA-586119
AGE:37 YEARS
20. DORESHA B D
S/O DEVARAJA
BOREKOPPALU, KALENAHALLI
ARKELAGUD, HASSAN
KARNATAKA-573136
AGE:31 YEARS
21. AMBARISH K.N
S/O NARAYANAPPA
KADALAVENI (V&P),
GOURIBIDNUR TALUK,
CHIKKABALLAPUR DISTRICT,

KARNATAKA-560210
AGE:36 YEARS

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22. VITTAL H.DUMALE
S/O HANAMANT
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
R/A MACHAKANUR, MUDHOL TALUK
BAGALKOTE DISTRICT-587313
23. KISHOR GOWDA H.K
S/O KEMPEGOWDA H.V
AGED ABOUT 27 YEARS
R/AT HANIYURU, DODDATUMKUR POST
BENGALURU NORTH TALUK
HESARGATTA HOBLI 561203
24. HALAPPA AJJAPA GOUDRA
S/O AJJAPA
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS
R/AT MELIYAMMA TMPLE ROAD
KHANDERAYANA HALLI
KARUR, HAVERI 581145
25. ANAND KHOT
S/O APPANNA
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS
R/A MALABAD
ATHANI TALUK
BELGAVI DISTRICT 591212
26. AJITH R A
S/O ASHOK KUMAR R V
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS
R/A DAVANGERE ROAD
TRAFFIC POLICE STATION
CHITRADURGA DISTRICT-577501

**I.A.No.2/2024 AMENDED AS PER
COURT ORDER DATED:16.10.2026**

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...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. P.P.HEGDE, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR R1;
SRI. D.R.RAVISHANKAR, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SMT. R ADVOCATE FOR IMPEADING APPLICANTS;
SRI. V.LAKSHMINARAYAN, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SMT. ANUSHA L, ADVOCATE FOR IMPEADING
APPLICANTS)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO
CALL FOR RECORDS AND ISSUE A WRIT OF CERTIORARI
OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE WRIT, ORDER OR DIRECTION
TO SET ASIDE THE IMPUGNED ORDER DATED 01.01.2024
IN APPLICATION No. 1970 OF 2023 (ANNEXURE-A) PASSED
BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL,
BENGALURU, ETC.

IN WP NO. 24251/2024

BETWEEN:

1. SRI KIRAN K S
S/O SHAMBAIAH,
AGED 34 YEARS
RESIDING AT NO.311,
5TH CROSS, 4TH MAIN,
VIJAYANAGAR I STAGE,
MYSURU - 570017.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. H.KANTHARAJA, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. RAVI H K., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
VIDANASOUDHA
BENGALURU - 560001.

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2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF COLLEGIATE EDUCATION,
ROOM NO. 645 A,
6TH FLOOR,
MS BUILDING,
BENGALURU - 560001.
3. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY
18TH CROSS ROAD,
SAMPIGE ROAD,
MALLESWARAM,
BENGALURU - 560012
4. SRI. MALLIKARJUNA B
S/O SILDOYYA B.,
8TH WARD,
BARIKARY STREET,
TEKKALUKOTE,
SIRAGUPPA TALUK,
BELLARY DISTRICT - 583 722

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 AND R2;
SMT. PRAMODINI KISHAN, ADVOCATE FOR R3)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO
QUASH THE ORDER DATED 22.09.2023 VIDE ANNEXURE-C
PASSED BY KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL
AT BENGALURU BY ISSUING A WRIT OF CERTIORARI AND
CONSEQUENTLY ALLOW THE APPLICATION No.1331/2023
OF THE PETITIONER, ETC.

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IN WP NO. 24410/2024

BETWEEN:

1. MISS DIPIKARANI ALIAS YAMNOTRI LOKARE
D/O. BABU LOKARE,
AGED 28 YEARS,
R/A HIREKUDI TALUK,
CHIKKODI,
BELAGAVI DISTRICT-591247.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. H.KANTHARAJA, SENIOR ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. RAVI H K., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS,
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BENGALURU 560001
2. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA,
REPRESENTED BY ITS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF
COLLEGIATE EDUCATION,
ROOM NO. 645 A, 6TH FLOOR,
MS BUILDING,
BENGALURU - 560001.
3. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
KARNATAKA EXAMINATION AUTHORITY,
18TH CROSS ROAD,
SAMPIGE ROAD,
MALLESWARAM,
BENGALURU-560012.

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4. SMT. PRIYANKA,
AGED 32 YEARS,
REG. NO. G2258

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. REUBEN JACOB, AAG ALONG WITH
SRI. S.H.RAGHAVENDRA, AGA FOR R1 TO R2;
SRI. N.K.RAMESH, ADVOCATE FOR R3)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO QUASH THE ORDER 22.09.2023 VIDE ANNEXURE-C PASSED BY THE KARNATAKA STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL AT BENGALURU BY ISSUING A WRIT OF CERTIORARI AND CONSEQUENTLY ALLOW THE APPLICATION No-1399/2023 OF THE PETITIONER, ETC.

THESE PETITIONS ALONG WITH WRIT APPEAL HAVING BEEN HEARD AND RESERVED FOR ORDERS ON 03.09.2026, COMING ON FOR PRONOUNCEMENT THIS DAY, **D K SINGH J.**, PRONOUNCED THE FOLLOWING:

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

CAV JUDGMENT

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

PREFACE:

1. The present batch of writ petitions have been filed impugning the orders passed by the Karnataka State Administrative Tribunal (for short 'Tribunal') in Application Nos.2688/2023, 956/2023, 1970/2023, 1310/2023 and

10432/2023 whereby the Circular dated 01.02.2023 has been set aside.

2. The petitioners are candidates aspiring for selection and appointment to various posts in the State services. Their grievance is that the State has altered the rules governing the selection process after its commencement by issuing the Circular dated 01.02.2023, thereby adversely affecting their rights.

BRIEF FACTS OF THE CASE:

Facts of each post of service has been summarised as under:

**W.P.No.863/2024 c/w W.P.Nos.29056/2023,
9473/2024, 7927/2024 and W.A.No.1218/2023
(Assistant Engineer, Junior Engineer and Engineer):**

3. The present petitions have been filed challenging the order dated 08.11.2023 passed by the Tribunal in Application Nos. 2688 and 2689 of 2023, whereby the Tribunal set aside the Circular dated 01.02.2023 governing the application of reservation under Article 371J of the Constitution of India in favour of the candidates belonging to the Kalyana-Karnataka Region (formerly known as Hyderabad-Karnataka Region).

4. Article 371J was inserted by the Constitution (98th Amendment) Act, 2012, pursuant to which the President issued the State of Karnataka (Special Responsibility of Governor for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) Order, 2013, on 24.10.2013, followed by the Karnataka Public Employment (Reservation in Appointment for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) Order, 2013, promulgated on 06.11.2013. The State Government subsequently framed the Karnataka Public Employment (Reservation in Appointment for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) (Organisation of Local Cadres, Allotment and Transfer of Persons) Rules, 2013, on 29.01.2014.

5. As the procedure of applying reservation in direct recruitment was not specifically prescribed, the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms (DPAR) issued successive circulars regulating recruitment to the Local and the Residual Parent Cadres. While the Circular dated 06.06.2020 provided for a common recruitment notification, with local candidates exercising an option regarding the cadre, the Circular dated 15.06.2022 prescribed for separate notifications and examinations for the two cadres, while retaining the earlier procedure for pending recruitments.

6. Thereafter, the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023 was issued by the State which directed that the option exercised by candidates under the Circular dated 06.06.2020 would not determine their consideration. Candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region were instead to be considered first against the Residual Parent Cadre and thereafter against the Local Cadre, if unsuccessful in the former cadre.

7. The dispute arose in connection with the recruitment to the post of Assistant Engineer, Grade-I, in the Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Department pursuant to Notification dated 21.02.2022. The Provisional Selection List was published on 17.08.2023 comprised 229 candidates under the Residual Parent Cadre and 59 candidates under the Local Cadre. The private respondents, who had applied under the Residual Parent Cadre but were unsuccessful, approached the Tribunal seeking a direction against the application of the Circular dated 01.02.2023 to the recruitment in question.

8. Vide order dated 08.11.2023, the Tribunal allowed the applications and set aside the impugned Circular, holding that it altered the allocation procedure retrospectively and deprived

eligible local candidates of the benefits of Local Cadre reservation by considering them first against the Residual Parent Cadre on the basis of merit. Aggrieved thereby, the State has preferred the present proceedings challenging the Tribunal's order.

W.P.No.16343/2024 (Police):

9. The present writ petition has been filed by the State challenging the order dated 01.01.2024 passed by the Tribunal in Application No.1970/2023, whereby the Circular dated 01.02.2023 was set aside and the Provisional Selection List dated 24.03.2023 was held to be untenable, with a direction to prepare a revised provisional list within three months from the date of the order of the Tribunal.

10. The State initiated recruitment to 70 posts of Special Reserve Sub-Inspector (SRSI) in the Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP) and Indian Reserve Battalion (IRB), pursuant to Notification dated 18.12.2021. The recruitment was governed in accordance with Cadre and Recruitment Rules, 2020 applicable to KSRP and IRB, the Karnataka Civil Services (General Recruitment) Rules, 1977, and the Government

Circular dated 06.06.2020, which prescribed the procedure for applying reservation to local and non-local cadres.

11. During the pendency of the recruitment process, the Government issued the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023, directing that the candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region be considered first against the Residual Parent Cadre, and thereafter, against the Local Cadre. The State applied the said procedure and published the Provisional Selection List on 24.03.2023, followed by the Final Selection List on 12.12.2023. Appointment orders were issued to the selected candidates, who had commenced training.

12. The respondent, who had applied for the post of Special Reserve Sub-Inspector, challenged the application of the Circular dated 01.02.2023 before the Tribunal. Vide order dated 01.01.2024, the Tribunal set aside the Circular and the Provisional Selection List, directing its revision. The State contends that the Tribunal failed to consider that the recruitment process had culminated in the publication of the final selection list and issuance of appointment orders by the time the impugned order was passed.

W.P.No.27336/2023 c/w. W.P.Nos.27517/2023

23162/2023 (Teacher and Primary Teacher):

13. The present writ petitions have been filed by candidates who participated in the recruitment process for the post of Graduate Primary Teacher pursuant to the district-wise Notification dated 21.03.2022 issued for the districts of Koppal, Vijayanagar and Yadgiri. The recruitment provided for 80% reservation in the Local Cadre and 20% in the Non-Local Cadre, in accordance with the Government Circular dated 06.06.2020 and the reservation framework under Article 371J of the Constitution of India.

14. The petitioners applied for posts under the Residual Parent Cadre, while the private respondents, belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region, exercised their option for consideration under the Local Cadre. Following the written examination conducted on 21.05.2022 and 22.05.2022 and completion of document verification, the provisional selection list was published on 18.11.2022, including the petitioners under the Residual Parent Cadre.

15. Subsequently, the Government issued the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023, directing that, in the pending recruitment processes where the final selection list had not been published, candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region be considered first against the Residual Parent Cadre and thereafter against the Local Cadre, irrespective of the option exercised by them at the time of application.

16. Pursuant thereto, revised provisional selection lists were published on 27.02.2023, whereby local candidates who had originally opted for the Local Cadre were considered against the Residual Parent Cadre on the basis of merit, resulting in the displacement of the petitioners. Despite their objections, the final selection list was published on 08.03.2023, excluding the petitioners from selection.

17. The petitioners challenged the revised selection process before the Tribunal in Application No.10432/2023. The Tribunal dismissed the application vide order dated 22.09.2023. Aggrieved thereby, the petitioners have approached this Court, contending that the Tribunal failed to properly consider their

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challenge to the Circular dated 01.02.2023 and the consequential alteration of the selection process.

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23450/2023 28614/2023 1633/20234 1900/2024
2304/2024 24251/2024 24410/2024 (Assistant
Professor):**

18. The present writ petitions have been filed by candidates challenging the selection process for appointment to the post of Assistant Professor in various subjects in Government First Grade Colleges.

19. The State Government framed the Karnataka Education Department Services (Collegiate Education Department) (Recruitment of Assistant Professor) (Special) Rules, 2020, on 08.07.2020, governing recruitment to the said posts. Pursuant thereto, the Department of Collegiate Education issued a Notification dated 26.08.2021, notifying 1,242 vacancies, comprising 1,021 posts in the Residual Parent Cadre and 221 posts in the Hyderabad-Karnataka Cadre. The recruitment was to be conducted by the Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) in accordance with the Special Rules, 2020, and the Government Circular dated 06.06.2020.

20. The petitioners, belonging to the non-local category, applied for the posts in various subjects and participated in the competitive examination. During the recruitment process, KEA required candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region to indicate their preference for consideration under the Local Cadre or the Residual Parent Cadre, wherever eligible for both. Although provisional selection lists were prepared in accordance with the original notification and the Circular dated 06.06.2020, the list was not published.

21. Thereafter, the State issued the Circular dated 15.06.2022, withdrawing the earlier procedure while protecting pending recruitments. However, the Circular dated 01.02.2023 was issued subsequently, directing the authorities to apply a revised procedure to ongoing recruitments in which final selection lists had not been published. Under the revised procedure, candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region were to be considered first against the Residual Parent Cadre and thereafter against the Local Cadre.

22. Pursuant thereto, KEA published a revised Provisional Selection List on 22.02.2023, followed by the Final Selection

List on 03.03.2023. The petitioners contend that candidates who had originally opted for the Local Cadre were subsequently considered against the Residual Parent Cadre, resulting in their displacement and exclusion from the final selection.

23. Aggrieved thereby, the petitioners approached the Tribunal in Application No.1310/2023 and connected matters, challenging the Circular dated 01.02.2023 and the Final Selection List. Vide order dated 22.09.2023, the Tribunal dismissed the applications, holding that the impugned Circular did not alter the eligibility conditions or merit-based selection criteria but only modified the manner of extending the benefit under Article 371J. Aggrieved by the said order, the petitioners have preferred the present writ petitions.

FINDINGS OF THE TRIBUNAL:

O.A.No.956/2023:

24. The Tribunal, after examining the provisions of Article 371J of the Constitution, the Presidential/Governor's Order, the Rules framed thereunder and the successive Government Circulars governing recruitment to local and non-local cadres, held that the Circular dated 01.02.2023 did not alter the

eligibility criteria or the basis of selection. The eligibility conditions remained the same for all candidates and selection continued to be based on comparative merit in the competitive examination.

25. The Tribunal further held that the change brought about by the Circular dated 01.02.2023 was only with regard to the manner in which candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka region were to be considered for the benefit under Article 371J. A meritorious candidate from the Hyderabad-Karnataka region was entitled to be considered for the residuary/non-local cadre on the basis of merit. The option exercised by a local candidate to seek appointment in the local cadre merely created a possibility of a vacancy becoming available to another candidate and did not confer an accrued right upon the candidate. Therefore, alteration of the manner of consideration could not be treated as a change in the rules of the game midway through the recruitment process.

26. The Tribunal also rejected the contention that the option contemplated under the earlier Circular was an immutable condition of recruitment. It held that the relevant provision

concerning such option related to persons already in service and could not be relied upon to contend that the Government was prohibited from modifying the manner of recruitment.

27. The Tribunal consequently found that the Circular dated 01.02.2023 was not illegal, and that the Revised Provisional Selection List and Final Selection List prepared pursuant thereto did not warrant interference. It also noted that this Court had considered a similar issue in the case of **SRI NAVEEN KUMAR H.N. AND OTHERS vs STATE OF KARNATAKA AND OTHERS, W.P. No.4979/2023**, and had taken a similar view. Accordingly, the Tribunal rejected all the applications.

O.A.No.2688/2023:

28. The Tribunal held that the Circular dated 01.02.2023 did not alter the eligibility or qualification prescribed for the recruitment and, therefore, the principle against changing the 'rules of the game' would not ordinarily apply. However, on examining the scheme under the 2013 Order and Rules, it held that the Regional Local Cadre, State Level Local Cadre and Residual Parent Cadre are distinct cadres, and that recruitment

to the local cadres has to be governed by merit, reservation roster and the preference exercised by the candidates.

29. The Tribunal found that the Circular dated 01.02.2023, by directing that local candidates claiming local cadre reservation be considered for the Residual Parent Cadre first, had the effect of allocating more meritorious local candidates to the Residual Parent Cadre and comparatively less meritorious candidates to the local cadre. This deprived the more meritorious candidates of the local cadre reservation benefit which they had claimed and were entitled to on the basis of merit. The Tribunal held that such an allocation principle was contrary to the 2013 Order and Rules and was legally untenable.

30. The Tribunal accordingly held the Circular dated 01.02.2023 to be perverse and set it aside. It directed that allocation to the local cadres be made first, having regard to merit, reservation roster and the preference exercised by the candidates, and that the remaining candidates thereafter be considered for the Residual Parent Cadre in order of merit. The applications were accordingly allowed.

O.A.No.1970/2023:

31. The Tribunal held that the Government circular dated 01.02.2023 altered the recruitment procedure mid-process and it was contrary to the principle of merit and the constitutional scheme of local cadre reservation under Article 371J of the Constitution.

32. The Tribunal held that allocation of meritorious local candidates to the Residual Parent Cadre deprived them of Local Cadre reservation, while less meritorious candidates were allocated to Local Cadre posts. This inversion of merit prejudiced both local and non-local candidates, including the applicant.

33. The Tribunal further held that Article 371J does not envisage filling Residual Cadre Posts with local candidates at the cost of merit. The circular dated 01.02.2023 was held to distort the constitutional intent by conferring unintended benefits on less meritorious candidates. It further held that by allocating higher-merit local candidates to residual cadre posts and lower-merit candidates to local cadre posts, the selection

process became perverse and inconsistent with the principle that merit must prevail in recruitment.

34. The Tribunal also held that non-local candidates were prejudiced because residual cadre posts, which should have been available to them on merit, were instead allocated to local candidates who had already claimed local cadre reservation. The Tribunal emphasized that the procedure prescribed in the circular dated 06.06.2020 was consistent with Article 371J. It provided a rational framework for candidates to exercise options for local cadre and residual cadre posts without depriving them of their rightful reservation status.

35. Since the provisional select list was prepared on the basis of the invalid circular dated 01.02.2023, the Tribunal set it aside and directed preparation of a revised list in accordance with the Circular dated 06.06.2020.

O.A.No.10432/2023:

36. The Tribunal examined the constitutional framework under Article 371J of the Constitution of India, the Karnataka Public Employment (Reservation in Appointment for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) Order, 2013, and the subsequent

Government Orders and circulars governing recruitment to local and non-local cadres. It observed that Article 371J was intended to provide equitable opportunities in public employment to persons belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka region. The Tribunal noted that the Government had issued successive clarifications concerning the manner in which candidates were to be considered for appointment under the local and non-local cadres, with the objective of giving effect to the special provisions applicable to the region.

37. The Tribunal held that the Circular dated 01.02.2023 did not alter the essential conditions of recruitment after commencement of the selection process. It observed that the eligibility criteria for applying to the posts and the selection criterion based on comparative merit, determined by the marks secured in the competitive examination, had remained unchanged throughout the process. The Tribunal further held that the change introduced by the impugned Circular related only to the manner in which candidates were to be considered for extending the benefits under Article 371J. It further held that candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka region were entitled to compete for posts under the non-local cadre on

merit, and that the possibility of a vacancy becoming available to another candidate on account of the exercise of an option could not be treated as a vested right or as a change in the rules of recruitment midway. Accordingly, it rejected the applications.

SUBMISSIONS ON BEHALF OF THE STATE:

38. Constitutional and Legal Framework: Sri. Reuben Jacob learned AAG along with Sri. Raghavendra S.H., learned AGA appearing for the State submits that Article 371-J was inserted by the Constitution (98th Amendment) Act, 2012, and brought into effect on 01.01.2013. Exercising powers under this provision, the President issued the Hyderabad-Karnataka (Special Responsibility of Governor) Order, 2013, which laid the foundation for special reservation in public employment for the Hyderabad-Karnataka region. Subsequently, the Governor of Karnataka issued the Karnataka Public Employment (Reservation in appointment for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) Order, 2013, which was later amended to empower the State Government to frame rules and issue clarifications thereunder.

39. Creation of Local Cadres: It is submitted that the aforementioned Rules of 2013, notified on 29.01.2014, organized local cadres for the seven districts of the Hyderabad-Karnataka region, viz, Bidar, Gulbarga, Raichur, Koppal, Yadgir, Ballari, and Vijaynagara. These rules reserved 75% of Group-A junior scale and Group-B posts, 80% of Group-C posts, and 85% of Group-D posts for local candidates. Importantly, local cadres were declared separate units for recruitment, seniority, promotion, and transfer, while the remaining posts formed the Residual Parent Cadre (RP cadre).

40. Implementation through Circulars: It is submitted that over the time, several circulars were issued to regulate recruitment under this framework, including those dated 22.01.2015, 16.11.2016, 23.05.2019, 06.06.2020, 15.06.2022, and finally 01.02.2023. The present petitions primarily challenge the application of the 01.02.2023 circular to recruitment processes that had commenced earlier, alleging that it amounted to changing the rules of the game mid-way.

41. State's Position on Recruitment Process: It is submitted that the eligibility criteria and merit determination remained

consistent throughout. The process was fair, transparent, and uniformly applied, with no violation of Articles 14 or 16 of the Constitution. It is submitted that the petitioners were displaced only by higher-merited candidates, not by less qualified ones. Thus, the principle of merit which is the cornerstone of recruitment was preserved.

42. Nature of Petitioners' Grievance: It is submitted that the grievance essentially arises from competing claims of low-merited candidates in Residual Parent cadre and Local Cadres. It is submitted that the petitioners argue that the higher-merited candidates should be shifted to Hyderabad Karnataka Cadre (Local Cadre) to secure their own selection in Residual Parent Cadre. However, since merit is paramount, displacement by more qualified candidates does not amount to infringement of rights. The dispute is therefore technical, based on timelines of circulars, rather than substantive violation of constitutional guarantees.

43. Judicial Precedents Supporting Merit Principle: The learned AAG has placed reliance on the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of **RADHEY SHYAM SINGH vs UNION OF**

INDIA [(1997) 1 SCC 60], wherein it was held that merit is the paramount consideration in recruitment. In the case of **SENTIL KUMARAN BOSE vs N VAITHI (2026) ADD SCC CITATION**, the Court emphasized the importance of a level playing field to ensure that more meritorious candidates are available for selection. The decisions of Supreme Court in the cases **RACHIT SINHA vs UNION OF INDIA [(2018) 16 SCC 655]**, **SADHANA SINGH DANGI vs PINKI ASATI [(2022) 12 SCC 401]**, and **DEEPENDRA YADAV vs STATE OF MAHARASHTRA [(2024) SCC OnLine SC 724]** reaffirmed that candidates from reserved categories may claim unreserved seats if their merit entitles them. The learned **AAG** submits that the cases cited by petitioners are distinguishable, as they involved changes that affected merit determination, which is not the case here.

44. No Violation of Rights: It is submitted that it is not the case of the petitioners that they were displaced by less merited candidates. Rather, each of them was displaced by higher-merited candidates eligible for both cadres. Since merit has not been compromised, no legal right of the petitioners has been infringed. The issue is therefore one of competing claims

between two sets of low-merited candidates, dependent on where higher-merited candidates are placed.

SUBMISSIONS ON BEHALF OF THE CANDIDATES/APPLICANTS:

45. The learned counsels appearing on behalf of the candidates who have applied to various posts submit that the Tribunal has failed to consider the constitutional scheme under Article 371J of the Constitution of India, the Karnataka Public Employment (Reservation in Appointment for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) Order, 2013, and the Special Rules of 2020 governing the recruitment for the Government posts.

46. It is submitted that recruitment was governed by the Governor's Order, the Special Rules of 2020 and the Circular dated 06.06.2020, which prescribed the procedure for recruitment by maintaining the distinction between the two cadres and providing candidates from the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region an option to be considered for posts in the Residual Parent Cadre, subject to the prescribed conditions. After the candidates had appeared for the competitive examination and exercised their options, the provisional select list was published.

47. It is submitted that the subsequent Circular dated 15.06.2022 expressly provided that the ongoing recruitment process would continue under the existing instructions. However, by the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023, the State Government sought to withdraw the protection afforded to the ongoing selection process and introduce a different method of allocation of candidates between the two cadres, even though the selection had substantially progressed. The impugned Circular thereby altered the methodology of recruitment after the candidates had participated in the process and exercised their options in accordance with the prevailing rules and instructions.

48. It is further submitted that Article 371J contemplates the reservation of a proportion of posts in the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region, having regard to equitable opportunities for the people of the region and the requirements of the State as a whole. The Governor's Order and the Rules framed thereunder had already determined the respective cadres, the proportion of vacancies and the applicable roster. The State Government could issue clarifications/instructions only to supplement and implement the Governor's Order and could not, under the guise

of implementing Article 371J, alter or supplant its provisions. In the absence of any authority under the Governor's Order or the Rules, the impugned Circular was without jurisdiction and impermissible in law.

49. It is further submitted that the impugned Circular was arbitrary, discriminatory and violative of Articles 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India, as it effectively disregarded the options exercised by the candidates and the allocation contemplated under the existing recruitment framework. By requiring candidates from the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region to be considered for Residual Parent Cadre vacancies in the first instance, based on comparative merit, irrespective of their options, the Circular deprived eligible candidates of the benefit of the cadre for which they had opted and to which they were entitled under the prevailing instructions. It also disturbed the prescribed proportion of reservation and created the possibility of candidates from the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region being allocated against vacancies in the Residual Parent Cadre at the expense of candidates who had participated in the selection on the basis of the existing framework.

50. It is urged that local-cadre reservation under Article 371J is distinct from caste-based reservation. A candidate's entitlement to the benefits of local-cadre reservation depends upon allocation to the concerned cadre and cannot be equated with the manner in which candidates belonging to reserved categories are considered against general merit vacancies. The allocation mechanism introduced by the impugned Circular, therefore, could not be justified by importing principles applicable to caste-based reservation. Such a mechanism would also disturb the separate cadre structure and the corresponding seniority arrangements contemplated under the Governor's Order and the Rules.

51. It is also submitted that the Circular dated 01.02.2023 was issued in response to representations from certain candidates and political representatives, without any legally sustainable justification for altering the ongoing selection process. The impugned action was, therefore, an arbitrary exercise of power and could not be sustained merely on the ground that it sought to provide additional opportunities to candidates from the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region.

POINT FOR CONSIDERATION:

52. Having heard both the parties, the only point that arises for consideration is whether the Circular dated 01.02.2023 brought about a material alteration in the procedure governing recruitment by changing the order of consideration and allocation of candidates between the Local Cadre and the Residual Parent Cadre, notwithstanding that the recruitment processes had commenced under the earlier framework, and whether such alteration was permissible under the applicable constitutional Orders, Recruitment Rules and original recruitment notifications?

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS:

I. Scope and limits of the State's policy making power under Article 371J of the Constitution:

53. The dispute cannot be resolved merely by examining whether the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023 altered the eligibility conditions, examination pattern or marks prescribed for selection. The legality of the impugned action must be examined with reference to the entire recruitment framework, including the constitutional mandate under Article 371J, the Presidential and Governor's Orders issued in pursuance thereof,

the applicable statutory Rules, the recruitment notifications and the administrative instructions governing the selection process.

Article 371J of the Constitution of India would read as under:

"371J. Special provisions with respect to State of Karnataka.—

(1) The President may, by order made with respect to the State of Karnataka, provide for any special responsibility of the Governor for—

(a) establishment of a separate development board for Hyderabad-Karnataka region with the provision that a report on the working of the board will be placed each year before the State Legislative Assembly;

(b) equitable allocation of funds for developmental expenditure over the said region, subject to the requirements of the State as a whole; and

(c) equitable opportunities and facilities for the people belonging to the said region, in matters of public employment, education and vocational training, subject to the requirements of the State as a whole.

*(2) An order made under sub- clause
(c) of clause (1) may provide for—
(a) reservation of a proportion of
seats educational and vocational
training institutions in the
Hyderabad-Karnataka region for
students who belong to that region
by birth or by domicile; and
(b) identification of posts or classes
of posts under the State Government
and in any body or organisation
under the control of the State
Government in the Hyderabad-
Karnataka region and reservation of
a proportion of such posts for
persons who belong to that region by
birth or by domicile and for
appointment thereto by direct
recruitment or by promotion or in
any other manner as may be
specified in the order."*

54. The State undoubtedly possesses the authority to formulate policies in matters of public administration and recruitment. Such authority, however, is neither absolute nor unfettered, and its exercise must conform to the Constitution, the applicable statutory rules and the principles of fairness,

reasonableness and non-arbitrariness embodied in Articles 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India. While the executive may regulate administrative matters within its domain, such power cannot be exercised in a manner that overrides a binding legal framework or prejudicially alters the governing conditions of recruitment without lawful authority.

55. Article 371J was inserted into the Constitution by the Constitution (Ninety-eighth Amendment) Act, 2012, with the object of providing special provisions for the Kalyana-Karnataka Region, formerly known as the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region. The constitutional scheme envisages, *inter alia*, equitable opportunities in public employment and the organisation of local cadres for the benefit of the region. In furtherance of this constitutional mandate, the President issued the State of Karnataka (Special Responsibility of Governor for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) Order, 2013, dated 24.10.2013, followed by the Karnataka Public Employment (Reservation in Appointment for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) Order, 2013, promulgated by the Governor on 06.11.2013. The State thereafter framed the Karnataka Public Employment (Reservation in Appointment for Hyderabad-Karnataka Region) (Organisation of Local Cadres,

Allotment and Transfer of Persons) Rules, 2013, dated 29.01.2014.

56. The aforesaid constitutional and legal framework provides the foundation for the organisation of the Local Cadre and the Residual Parent Cadre and the implementation of the reservation contemplated under Article 371J of the Constitution. The distinction between these cadres is not merely administrative or procedural; it forms part of the mechanism through which the constitutional objective of providing equitable opportunities to eligible candidates is sought to be achieved. Consequently, any executive measure governing recruitment and cadre allocation must be consistent with the governing Orders and Rules and must advance, rather than undermine, the object for which the constitutional provision was introduced.

57. In the absence of a prescribed procedure governing every aspect of the application of reservation in direct recruitment, the State issued successive circulars regulating the consideration of candidates against the Local Cadre and the Residual Parent Cadre. The Circular dated 06.06.2020

prescribed a procedure under which a common recruitment notification could cover both cadres, with eligible candidates belonging to the Hyderabad-Karnataka Region exercising an option as to the cadre against which they sought consideration. The subsequent Circular dated 15.06.2022 withdrew the earlier procedure but expressly protected recruitment processes that had already commenced under the Circular dated 06.06.2020. The impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023 issued thereafter, introduced a revised sequence of consideration for pending recruitments.

58. The power to issue executive instructions for regulating administrative procedures cannot be equated with an unrestricted power to modify the substantive framework governing recruitment. As held by the Supreme Court in the case of **SANT RAM SHARMA vs STATE OF RAJASTHAN [AIR 1967 SC 1910]**, executive instructions may supplement statutory rules where the rules are silent, but cannot supersede them. Accordingly, the State's authority to regulate the implementation of Article 371J must be exercised within the limits prescribed by the constitutional framework. An executive circular cannot, merely by prescribing a different administrative

procedure, override the governing legal framework or introduce a change that is otherwise impermissible in law.

59. Thus, the State's policy-making power, though broad, remains subject to these legal constraints and the constitutional guarantees under Articles 14 and 16 of the Constitution. A policy decision cannot be sustained solely on the ground that it falls within the executive domain; it must also conform to the governing law and operate in a manner consistent with the principles of equality, fairness and non-arbitrariness.

II. Whether the impugned Circular altered the rules governing recruitment:

60. The Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court in the case of **TEJ PRAKASH PATHAK AND OTHERS vs RAJASTHAN HIGH COURT AND OTHERS [(2025) 2 SCC 1]** authoritatively examined the principle that the rules governing recruitment cannot ordinarily be altered midway through the selection process. The Supreme Court has held that the expression "rules of the game" encompasses both the eligibility conditions governing entry into the selection process and the rules governing the method and manner of selection. It further held that the recruitment process commences with the issuance

of the advertisement and ends with the filling up of the vacancies. It also held that eligibility criteria notified at the commencement of recruitment cannot be altered midway unless the existing Rules or the advertisement, consistent with those Rules, permit such alteration. Even where a change is permissible, it must satisfy the constitutional requirement of non-arbitrariness under Article 14. The relevant paragraphs of the judgment are extracted hereunder:

“(A) Commencement/end of the recruitment process

22. *The process of recruitment begins with the issuance of advertisement and ends with the filling up of notified vacancies. It consists of various steps like inviting applications, scrutiny of applications, rejection of defective applications or elimination of ineligible candidates, conducting examinations, calling for interview or viva voce and preparation of list of successful candidates for appointment. [A.P. Public Service Commission v. B. Sarat Chandra, (1990) 2 SCC 669 : 1990 SCC (L&S) 377 and Rakhi Ray v. High Court of Delhi, (2010) 2 SCC 637 : (2010) 1 SCC (L&S) 652]*

(B) Basis of the doctrine

23. *The doctrine proscribing change of rules midway through the game, or after the game is played, is predicated*

on the rule against arbitrariness enshrined in Article 14 ["14. Equality before law.—The State shall not deny to any person equality before the law or the equal protection of the laws within the territory of India."] of the Constitution. Article 16 ["16. Equality of opportunity in matters of public employment.—(1) There shall be equality of opportunity for all citizens in matters relating to employment or appointment to any office under the State.(2) No citizen shall, on grounds only of religion, race, caste, sex, descent, place of birth, residence or any of them, be ineligible for, or discriminated against in respect of, any employment or office under the State.(3) Nothing in this article shall prevent Parliament from making any law prescribing, in regard to a class or classes of employment or appointment to an office under the Government of, or any local or other authority within, a State or Union Territory, any requirement as to residence within that State or Union Territory prior to such employment or appointment.(4) Nothing in this article shall prevent the State from making any provision for the reservation of appointments or posts in favour of any backward class of citizens which, in the opinion of the State, is not adequately represented in the services under the State.(4-A) Nothing in this article shall prevent the

State from making any provision for reservation in matters of promotion, with consequential seniority, to any class or classes of posts in the services under the State in favour of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes which, in the opinion of the State, are not adequately represented in the services under the State.(4-B) Nothing in this article shall prevent the State from considering any unfilled vacancies of a year which are reserved for being filled up in that year in accordance with any provision for reservation made under clause (4) or clause (4-A) as a separate class of vacancies to be filled up in any succeeding year or years and such class of vacancies shall not be considered together with the vacancies of the year in which they are being filled up for determining the ceiling of fifty per cent reservation on total number of vacancies of that year.(5) Nothing in this article shall affect the operation of any law which provides that the incumbent of an office in connection with the affairs of any religious or denominational institution or any member of the governing body thereof shall be a person professing a particular religion or belonging to a particular denomination.(6) Nothing in this article shall prevent the State from making any provision for the reservation of appointments or posts in

favour of any economically weaker sections of citizens other than the classes mentioned in clause (4), in addition to the existing reservation and subject to a maximum of ten per cent of the posts in each category.”] is only an instance of the application of the concept of equality enshrined in Article 14. In other words Article 14 is the genus while Article 16 is a species. Article 16 gives effect to the concept of equality in all matters relating to public employment. These two articles strike at arbitrariness in State action and ensure fairness and equality of treatment. They require that State action must be based on valid relevant principles alike to all similarly situate and not to be guided by any extraneous or irrelevant considerations. [E.P. Royappa v. State of T.N., (1974) 4 SCC 3 : 1974 SCC (L&S) 165] In all its actions, the State is bound to act fairly, in a transparent manner. This is an elementary requirement of the guarantee against arbitrary State action which Article 14 of the Constitution adopts. A deprivation of the entitlement of private citizens and private business must be proportional to a requirement grounded in public interest. [State of Jharkhand v. Brahmputra Metallics Ltd., (2023) 10 SCC 634]

65.2. *Eligibility criteria for being placed in the select list, notified at the*

commencement of the recruitment process, cannot be changed midway through the recruitment process unless the extant Rules so permit, or the advertisement, which is not contrary to the extant Rules, so permit. Even if such change is permissible under the extant Rules or the advertisement, the change would have to meet the requirement of Article 14 of the Constitution and satisfy the test of non-arbitrariness;"

61. The principle emerging from the said decision is not that every procedural change during the recruitment is invariably prohibited. Rather, the legality of the change depends upon the nature of the procedure altered, the authority under which the change is made, the terms of the governing Rules and notification, and whether the change satisfies the requirements of fairness, transparency and non-arbitrariness.

62. In the case of **UNION OF INDIA vs ASHOK KUMAR AGGARWAL [(2013) 16 SCC 147]**, the Supreme Court has held that administrative instructions may supplement statutory provisions but cannot supplant them. The relevant paragraphs are extracted hereunder:

“59. *The law laid down above has consistently been followed and it is a settled proposition of law that an authority cannot issue orders/office memorandum/executive instructions in contravention of the statutory rules. However, instructions can be issued only to supplement the statutory rules but not to supplant it. Such instructions should be subservient to the statutory provisions. (Vide Union of India v. Majji Jangamayya [(1977) 1 SCC 606 : 1977 SCC (L&S) 191] , P.D. Aggarwal v. State of U.P. [(1987) 3 SCC 622 : 1987 SCC (L&S) 310 : (1987) 4 ATC 272] , Paluru Ramkrishnaiah v. Union of India [(1989) 2 SCC 541 : 1989 SCC (L&S) 375 : (1989) 10 ATC 378 : AIR 1990 SC 166] , C. Rangaswamaiah v. Karnataka Lokayukta [(1998) 6 SCC 66 : 1998 SCC (L&S) 1448] and Joint Action Committee of Air Line Pilots' Assn. of India v. DG of Civil Aviation [(2011) 5 SCC 435 : AIR 2011 SC 2220] .)*

60. *Similarly, a Constitution Bench of this Court, in Naga People's Movement of Human Rights v. Union of India [(1998) 2 SCC 109 : 1998 SCC (Cri) 514 : AIR 1998 SC 431] , held that the executive instructions have binding force provided the same have been issued to fill up the gap between the statutory provisions and are not inconsistent with the said provisions.”*

63. The learned Single of the High Court of Kerala in the case of **HANA FATIMA AHINUS vs STATE OF KERALA [2025 SCC OnLine Ker 4911]**, held that the rules governing a selection process cannot be altered after the process has commenced, particularly after the examination has been conducted, to the prejudice of candidates. The Court held that even where the authority possesses the power to amend the governing prospectus, such power must be exercised lawfully and fairly, and cannot be used to introduce changes at a belated stage that arbitrarily affect the selection process which and held that 'Rules of the game cannot be changed midway, once the game has begun'. The said decision has been upheld by the Division Bench of the High Court of Kerala in W.A.1702/2025. The relevant paragraphs of the said judgment are extracted hereunder:

"9. On 14.05.2025, the score cards of the students relating to the entrance examinations were declared on the website, and the students were directed to submit their marks obtained in class 10 + 2 examinations. When the authorities have full data before them and found that the students from the Kerala stream have not done very well in the examination,

they decided to change the formulae in the most arbitrary, illegal and unjustified manner.

10. *This Court is of the considered view that after the examination is conducted, the Government is denuded of its power even under clause 1.6 of the prospectus to change the prospectus. Rules of the game cannot be changed midway, once the game has begun.*

11. *Prima facie, it appears that somebody looked at the results and found that the students from the Kerala stream have not done fairly good, and to satisfy the constituency, such a mala fide decision in an arbitrary manner has been taken to change the prospectus one hour before the publication of the result on 01.07.2025. Such an exercise of power is wholly arbitrary, illegal, unjustified and cannot be countenanced on any ground.*

13. *This Court, therefore, holds that the change in the prospectus one hour before the publication of the rank list after the examination is wholly unjustified, illegal and arbitrary. The change in the prospectus is set aside. The Commissioner for Entrance Examinations is directed to publish the rank list in accordance with the prospectus, which was issued on 19.02.2025."*

64. The relevant paragraph of the judgment of the Division Bench of High Court of Kerala in W.A.No.1702/2025 is extracted hereunder:

"50. The law laid down by the Apex Court in Rachit Sinha [(2018) 16 SCC 655] and that laid down by the Division Bench of this Court in Seema Sebastain [2023 (3) KHC 284] have no application to the facts and circumstances of the case at hand, which deals with introduction of a formula for standardization, which is substantially at variance with the existing formula, just before the publication of the rank list. The said formula provides for adding the marks of Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry in the ratio of 5:3:2, instead of the existing ratio of 1:1:1, while maintaining the existing 50:50 ratio for the entrance examination marks and marks in Plus Two (XII) Board, which was not even suggested or recommended by the Standardization Review Committee in its report dated 02.06.2025. Even the materials relied on by the Government to arrive at a decision to modify the standardization formula, which was in force from the year 2011, are not part of the pleadings and materials on record. Therefore, we find absolutely no force in the contention raised on behalf of the appellants that the newly

introduced standardization formula would not offend Article 14 of the Constitution of India.

In the result, we find no merits in these writ appeals. The impugned judgment dated 09.07.2025 of the learned Single Judge, whereby the Government order dated 01.07.2025 has been set aside and the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations has been directed to publish rank list in accordance with the Prospectus-2025, which was approved vide Government order dated 19.02.2025, i.e., without reference to the amendments made to the said prospectus vide the Government order dated 01.07.2025, warrants no interference. These writ appeals are accordingly dismissed and the writ petition, i.e., W.P.(C)No. 25230 of 2025, is disposed of in terms of the judgment dated 09.07.2025 of the learned Single Judge in W.P.(C)No.24767 of 2025 and connected matters."

65. Applying this principle, it is necessary to distinguish between a change that merely regulates the administrative implementation of an existing criterion and a change that alters the operative basis on which candidates are considered for the notified vacancies. The former may be permissible where the

governing framework leaves room for administrative supplementation. The latter cannot be justified merely by describing it as procedure, particularly where it changes the order of consideration, affects cadre allocation and materially alters the competitive position of candidates.

66. The Circular dated 06.06.2020 established a procedure under which the cadre options exercised by eligible candidates were to be given effect throughout the recruitment process. The Circular dated 15.06.2022, while withdrawing the earlier circular as a general measure, expressly protected specified ongoing recruitments by directing that they be completed in accordance with the 2020 procedure. The Circular dated 01.02.2023 subsequently withdrew that protection and imposed a different order of consideration, requiring the Residual Parent Cadre selection list to be prepared first, without regard to the cadre options exercised by local candidates, followed by preparation of the Local Cadre list. The change thus went to the very basis on which candidates were to be considered against vacancies in the two cadres, and was not merely a rearrangement of administrative steps.

67. The legal infirmity lies in the State having altered the operative procedure after candidates had entered the recruitment process and exercised their options under the procedure then in force. The order of consideration and the manner in which vacancies are allocated directly bear upon the zone of consideration and the relative prospects of candidates. A change affecting these matters cannot be treated as inconsequential merely because the eligibility conditions and marks-based assessment remain unaltered.

68. Consequently, we are of the opinion that the Circular dated 01.02.2023 materially altered the procedure governing the recruitment processes to which it applied. In the absence of authority under the governing Rules or the recruitment notification to introduce such a change midstream, the alteration is impermissible in law. An executive circular cannot, by displacing the procedure under which an ongoing recruitment was initiated, alter the basis of consideration to the prejudice of candidates who participated in that process.

III. The effect of the Circular dated 01.02.2023 on cadre allocation and the rights of competing candidates:

69. The State has contended that the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023 did not deprive any candidate of a vested right to appointment and that the candidates who were displaced from the selection lists were displaced only because candidates securing higher marks were considered against vacancies in the Residual Parent Cadre. This contention, however, does not adequately address the effect of the Circular on the allocation of vacancies between the Local Cadre and the Residual Parent Cadre and the consequential impact on the consideration of competing candidates.

70. The issue is whether the order of consideration prescribed by the impugned Circular altered the manner in which candidates were allocated to the two cadres and, in doing so, affected their relative chances of selection. Where recruitment is undertaken against vacancies earmarked for distinct cadres, the procedure governing the allocation of those vacancies assumes significance, as it determines the cadre against which a candidate is considered and the candidates with whom such candidate competes.

71. Under the earlier procedure, the cadre options exercised by eligible candidates were to be taken into account in the course of recruitment. The impugned Circular, however, required the selection list for the Residual Parent Cadre to be prepared first, without taking into consideration the options exercised by local candidates, and the selection list for the Local Cadre to be prepared thereafter. This change is capable of affecting the distribution of candidates between the two cadres and, consequently, the position of candidates in the respective selection lists. The effect of the Circular, therefore, extended beyond the mere rearrangement of the sequence in which the lists were prepared; it altered the basis on which candidates were considered against the vacancies in the respective cadres.

72. It is well settled that mere inclusion in a select list does not confer an indefeasible right to appointment. However, the absence of such a right does not confer a liberty on the recruiting authority to alter the procedure governing cadre allocation in a manner inconsistent with the applicable Rules.

73. The Supreme Court in the case of **TEJ PRAKASH PATHAK** (*supra*), while explaining the principles laid down in **K. MANJUSREE vs STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH [(2008) 3 SCC 512]**, and **STATE OF HARYANA vs SUBASH CHANDER MARWAHA [(1974) 3 SCC 220]**, recognised the distinction between the rules governing selection and the absence of an indefeasible right to appointment. The principle that inclusion in a select list does not guarantee appointment cannot be invoked to justify a departure from the procedure governing the recruitment itself. The relevant paragraphs are extracted hereunder:

"53. The decision in K. Manjusree [K. Manjusree v. State of A.P., (2008) 3 SCC 512 : (2008) 1 SCC (L&S) 841] does not proscribe setting of benchmarks for various stages of the recruitment process but mandates that it should not be set after the stage is over, in other words after the game has already been played. This view is in consonance with the rule against arbitrariness enshrined in Article 14 of the Constitution and meets the legitimate expectation of the candidates as also the requirement of transparency in recruitment

to public services and thereby obviates malpractices in preparation of select list.

65.3. *The decision in K. Manjusree [K. Manjusree v. State of A.P., (2008) 3 SCC 512 : (2008) 1 SCC (L&S) 841] lays down good law and is not in conflict with the decision in Subash Chander Marwaha [State of Haryana v. Subash Chander Marwaha, (1974) 3 SCC 220 : 1973 SCC (L&S) 488] . Subash Chander Marwaha [State of Haryana v. Subash Chander Marwaha, (1974) 3 SCC 220 : 1973 SCC (L&S) 488] deals with the right to be appointed from the select list whereas K. Manjusree [K. Manjusree v. State of A.P., (2008) 3 SCC 512 : (2008) 1 SCC (L&S) 841] deals with the right to be placed in the select list. The two cases therefore deal with altogether different issues;"*

74. In view of the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Circular dated 01.02.2023 materially affected the cadre-allocation process by altering the order in which candidates were considered against vacancies in the Residual Parent Cadre and the Local Cadre, thereby affecting their relative position and prospects of selection. The comparative merit of candidates must operate within the framework governing cadre allocation

and cannot, by itself, validate a departure from that framework.

IV. The requirement of fairness and non-arbitrariness under Articles 14 and 16:

75. The impugned Circular must also withstand scrutiny under Articles 14 and 16 of the Constitution. Article 16 guarantees equality of opportunity in matters relating to public employment, while Article 14 requires State action to be fair, non-arbitrary and founded upon a legally sustainable basis.

76. The constitutional objection does not rest merely on the fact that the Government changed its policy. The State is not permanently bound to retain every administrative procedure it adopts, and public policy may legitimately evolve. The difficulty arises when a change in procedure is applied to the recruitment in force, notwithstanding that the candidates have submitted their applications and participated in the process under a previously prescribed framework, and where the change materially affects their consideration for the notified vacancies. In such circumstances, the State must establish that the alteration was authorised by the governing framework, was introduced for a legitimate purpose, bears a rational nexus to

that purpose and operates consistently with the constitutional guarantee of equal opportunity. Uniform application of a circular to all pending recruitments does not, by itself, establish compliance with these requirements.

77. The doctrine of legitimate expectation is relevant in this context. Participation in a recruitment process does not create an immutable right to the continuation of every administrative arrangement or guarantee appointment under the original notification. Nevertheless, where a recruitment authority has invited applications under a specified framework and candidates have acted upon that framework, their expectation that the selection will be conducted in accordance with the applicable Rules and notified terms is a relevant consideration in assessing the fairness of State action.

78. Applying that standard, the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023 required the authorities to reconsider candidates under a different sequence of cadre allocation, notwithstanding that the recruitment processes had commenced under the earlier procedure. The consequence was not merely administrative. As demonstrated by the revised selection lists,

candidates who had previously found place in the Residual Parent Cadre were displaced, after candidates who had originally opted for the Local Cadre were considered against the Residual Parent Cadre.

79. The constitutional infirmity, therefore, lies in the application of a materially altered procedure without a demonstrated legal basis for doing so in the pending recruitments. Where the governing framework does not authorise such a change, its application undermines the requirement that public recruitment be conducted according to known, lawful and consistently applied criteria.

80. We are, therefore, of the opinion that by introducing a materially altered procedure for cadre allocation to the ongoing recruitment processes, the impugned Circular dated 01.02.2023 resulted in the displacement of candidates who had earlier found place in the Residual Parent Cadre selection lists. The impugned Circular, to this extent, fails to satisfy the constitutional mandate of fairness and non-arbitrariness embodied in Articles 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India.

CONCLUSION:

81. On consideration of the constitutional framework under Article 371J, the applicable Orders and Rules, the terms of the recruitment notifications and the principles laid down by the Supreme Court, we have arrived at the following conclusions:

(i) First, the State Government is competent to regulate recruitment and issue administrative instructions for implementing the reservation framework under Article 371J, subject to the Constitution and the applicable law. Such authority, however, does not extend to introducing a procedure inconsistent with binding Rules or to alter the governing basis of an ongoing recruitment process.

(ii) Secondly, the validity of the Circular dated 01.02.2023 cannot be determined merely by observing that it did not alter the eligibility criteria, examination pattern or marks obtained by the candidates. The sequence in which candidates are considered against separate cadres, the allocation of vacancies and the legal effect of the options exercised under the governing procedure are relevant components of the inquiry.

(iii) Thirdly, the principle of merit must operate within the framework prescribed by the Constitution, the applicable Orders and Rules, and the recruitment notifications. The State cannot establish the validity of a revised cadre-allocation procedure merely by asserting that it enables candidates with higher marks to be considered against the Residual Parent Cadre. The legality of the procedure itself must first be established.

(iv) Lastly, the absence of an indefeasible right to appointment does not deprive candidates of the right to challenge a recruitment procedure that is alleged to be contrary to the governing Rules or constitutionally arbitrary. The candidates' grievance must be examined with reference to the legality of the process, rather than solely by reference to whether they had acquired a vested right to appointment.

82. In view of the foregoing, W.P.Nos 1464/2024, 52772/2019, 23162/2023, 23450/2023, 27336/2023, 27517/2023, 28614/2023, 29056/2023, 1633/2024, 1900/2024, 2034/2024, 7927/2024, 9473/2024, 24251/2024, 24410/2024 and W.A.No. 1218/2023 are allowed and W.P.Nos.16343/2024 and 863/2024 are dismissed.

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The orders of the Tribunal setting aside the Circular dated 01.02.2023 in the recruitment processes under consideration do not call for interference whereas, the orders of the Tribunal in O.A.Nos.956/2023, 2688-89/2023, 10432/2023, however, cannot be sustained and are accordingly set aside.

83. The revised provisional and final selection lists prepared by applying the Circular dated 01.02.2023 shall be reconsidered, to the extent that they are affected by the alteration in the cadre-allocation procedure. The concerned recruiting authorities shall prepare revised selection lists in accordance with the constitutional Orders, applicable Rules, original recruitment notifications and the procedure governing the respective recruitment processes at their commencement. Such exercise shall give due effect to the applicable cadre-wise vacancies, reservation roster, merit and the cadre options exercised by candidates in accordance with the governing procedure. The exercise shall be confined to reconsideration of cadre allocation and the consequential selection lists. The eligibility of candidates and the marks secured by them shall not be reopened.

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84. Pending interlocutory applications if any, do not survive for consideration and accordingly stand disposed of.

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