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# IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU DATED THIS THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025 BEFORE

## THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ WRIT PETITION NO. 26292 OF 2025 (GM-RES)

#### **BETWEEN:**

INTAK RAJU N,
AGED ABOUT 60 YEARS,
PRESIDENT OF
MYSORE DISTRICT,
RIGHT TO INFORMATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS,
PROTECTION ASSOCIATES ®,
NO. 212, H.D.R COMPLEX,
BAJAR ROAD HUNSUR-571 105,
MYSORE DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI HALESHA R .G, ADVOCATE)

#### AND:

- KARNATAKA INFORMATION COMMISSION, NO.14/3, FIRST FLOOR, SRI ARIVIND BHAVAN (MYTHIC SOCIETY), NRUPATHUNGA ROAD, BENGALURU-01, REPT. BY STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER.
- 2. FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY AND,
  DEPUTY SECRETARY,
  APPOINTMENT DIVISION,
  KARNATAKA SEVA AYOGA,
  DEVARAJ URSU ROAD, BANGALURU-560 001.
- 3. PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER,
  AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY,
  APPOINTMENT DIVISION,
  KARNATAKA SEVA AYOGA,
  DEVARAJ URSU ROAD, BANGALURU-560 001.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI K RAJASHEKAR, ADVOCATE FOR R-1; MS. M.R SINCHANA, ADVOCATE FOR R-2 & R-3)





THIS WP IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO I. QUASH THE IMPUGNED ENDORSEMENTS NO. GOPYA-1(RTI)2781/2024-25/PSC DATED 23/12/2024 ISSUED BY THE 3RD RESPONDENT, PRODUCED AT ANNEXURE-B ETC.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

### **ORAL ORDER**

- Sri.K.Rajashekar, learned counsel is directed to accept notice for respondent No.1 and Ms.M.R.Sinchana, learned counsel is directed to accept notice for respondents No.2 and 3.
- The petitioner is before this Court seeking for the following reliefs;
  - a. "Issue a Writ, Directions or Orders to Quash the Impugned endorsements No. Gopya-1(RTI)2781/2024-25/PSC dated 23/12/2024 issued by the 3rd Respondent, produced at ANNEXURE-B.
  - b. further, pleased to quash the impugned order No.E(2)2486/2024-25/PSC, Bengaluru on 3/2/2025 passed by the 2nd Respondent by confirming the impugned order passed by the 3rd Respondent, produced at ANNEXURE-D.
  - c. further pleased to quash the impugned order passed on 03/04/2025 in Case No.KIA/3849/APL/2025, by 1st Respondent, by



- confirming the impugned orders passed by the Respondent No.3 and 2, produced at ANNEXURE-F.
- d. further pleased to grant such other relief as deemed fit under the facts and circumstances of the case, in the interest of justice and equity."
- 3. Petitioner who claimed to a Right to Information Activist and President of the Mysore District Right to Information and Human Rights Protection Association had made an application for furnishing of the answer script of one of the candidates who had appeared for the examination conducted by the Excise Department.
- 4. The contention of the petitioner is that the said person has been appointed and as such, the answer scripts were sought for. The said application has been rejected by the Public Information Officer, First Appellate Authority as also the Karnataka Information Commission. It is in that background, that the petitioner is before this Court seeking for the aforesaid relief.
- 5. What has been sought for by the petitioner is essentially an answer script of a person who had

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appeared in the exam and not that of the petitioner himself in any way. The petitioner had not appeared for the exam but only claims to be a Right to Information Activist. The petitioner cannot be said to be aggrieved by the said person, having succeeded in the examination. Merely being a Right to Information Activist would not give the petitioner the right to seek for answer scripts of a person who had appeared for the exam conducted by the KPSC.

6. No grounds being made out, the petition stands dismissed.

SD/-(SURAJ GOVINDARAJ) JUDGE

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