

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATION NOS. 1889-1891 OF 2025
IN
CIVIL APPEAL NOS. 3640-3642 OF 2025

PERIYAMMAL (DEAD THR. LRS.) & ORS. APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

V. RAJAMANI & ANR. RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Paras 8, 9, 10 and 11 respectively of our order dated 16.10.2025 passed in Miscellaneous Application Nos. 1889-1891 of 2025 in Civil Appeal Nos. 3640-3642 of 2025 read thus:-

“8. In last six months i.e. after our directions, in all 3,38,685 execution petitions have been decided and disposed of.

9. Unfortunately, the High Court of Karnataka has failed to furnish us with the necessary data in this

regard.

10. The Registry shall once again give a reminder to the High Court of Karnataka to furnish the necessary data as regards the disposal of the execution petitions in last six months and the pendency of it as on date.

11. The Registrar General of the High Court of Karnataka owes an explanation why he has failed to provide us with the necessary information. Two weeks' time is granted to the Registrar General of the High Court to offer his explanation in this regard."

2. In pursuance of our order referred to above, the Registrar General, High Court of Karnataka has offered his explanation by way of an affidavit. In the affidavit, the Registrar General has stated as under:-

"5. I respectfully submit that, subsequent to the issuance of the aforesaid circular, it became necessary to obtain detailed information regarding the disposal of Execution Petitions from all the 30 Districts and their respective Taluka Courts. Accordingly, this office, through its Review and Statistics Branch, sought the requisite information from all Courts across the State of Karnataka. While several districts furnished the information within the stipulated time frame, Dharwad District and certain other districts delayed in submitting their reports. In the meanwhile, some Execution Petitions were disposed of, and therefore, it was intended to update the information so collected to reflect the most accurate and current position. Consequently, there was a delay in forwarding the complete set of information. Furthermore, some of the data initially received from few districts was found to be inaccurate,

necessitating a further request from this office for the corrected information. As such, the process of collating accurate and updated data from all districts required additional time, which resulted in a delay in the filing of the compliance report by the Registry of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka before this Hon'ble Court.

6. I respectfully submit that, once the information was ready to be transmitted to this Hon'ble Court, the Registry of this Hon'ble Court, vide its Communication dated 10.10.2025 required that the information be furnished in an updated format. In order to comply with the said communication and ensure that the information was submitted in the prescribed and updated format, it became necessary to once again collect and collate data from the concerned districts. This office, through the Review and Statistics branch once again called the information from all the Judicial Officers in the State requesting to furnish the information in the prescribed format only on or before 10.10.2025 without fail. Since, 11th and 12th of October 2025 were general holidays to the Courts of Karnataka and High Court of Karnataka, the information was not received from the District Judiciary except from 4 Districts. As such, once again, on 13.10.2025 the Review and Statistics branch of this office made reminder phone calls to all remaining districts to furnish the information immediately, but no information was received from the District Courts. However, the Courts of Dharwad District has furnished the information at 03.33 pm on 15.10.2025. Further, the statistics furnished from the Courts of Bagalkot District, Haveri District, Kalaburagi District, Mandya District and Shivamogga District were not correct, as such once again the correct statistics were called for from the aforesaid districts, thereby causing delay in filing the Compliance report by the registry of the High

Court of Karnataka before this Hon'ble Court. The delay that occurred was purely inadvertent and not intentional.

7. I, sincerely regret the lapse on the part of the Registry in obtaining the information from the District Judiciary and filing the compliance report within the stipulated time. The same is neither sought to be justified nor taken as a defence. The Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka has always complied with the directions and orders passed by this Hon'ble Court within the time frame prescribed, and there has never been any lapse except in the present instance, which arose only from the bona fide intention of providing accurate and duly verified information.

8. I, tender my unconditional apology for the delay and the inconvenience caused in this regard and hold the utmost respect for the authority and dignity of this Hon'ble Court. Henceforth, every effort shall be made to diligent and strict compliance with the directions of this Hon'ble Court by the Registry of the High Court of Karnataka within the prescribed time frame."

3. The explanation offered by the Registrar General, High Court of Karnataka is accepted.

4. However, the statement showing the pendency of the execution petitions in the district judiciary of the State of Karnataka as on 28.02.2025 is alarming. The details are as under:-

Statement showing Opening Balance, Institution, Disposal and Pendency of Execution Cases in District Judiciary as on 28.02.2025

Sl. No.	District	Opening Balance	Institution	Disposal	Closing Balance
1.	BAGALKOT	7220	141	138	7223

2.	BELAGAVI	18834	684	216	19302
3.	BELLARI	5158	117	76	5199
4.	BENGALURU RURAL	3472	71	58	3485
5.	BENGALURU-CITY COURTS	13365	392	421	13336
6.	BENGALURU- FAMILY COURTS	675	23	22	676
7.	BENGALURU- SMALL CAUSE COURTS	3119	187	177	3129
8.	BIDAR	2856	42	22	2876
9.	CHAMRAJNAGAR	1448	114	43	1519
10.	CHIKKABALLAPUR	2212	59	13	2258
11.	CHIKKAMAGALUR U	3091	45	42	3094
12.	CHITRADURGA	3782	125	37	3870
13.	DAKSHINA KANNADA	4166	82	66	4182
14.	DAVANGERE	2774	120	89	2805
15.	DHARWAD	4092	265	137	4220
16.	GADAG	2217	168	105	2280
17.	HASSAN	5508	217	85	5640
18.	HAVERI	4237	140	63	4314
19.	KALABURAGI	6050	206	62	6194
20.	KODAGU	940	34	19	955
21.	KOLAR	3075	99	26	3148
22.	KOPPAL	2807	162	34	2935
23.	MANDYA	8129	165	69	8225
24.	MYSURU	9987	345	111	10221
25.	RAICHUR	2753	81	62	2772
26.	RAMANAGARAM	2435	59	13	2481
27.	SHIVAMOGGA	3842	141	83	3900
28.	TUMAKURU	6048	136	74	6110
29.	UDUPI	3083	150	63	3170
30.	UTTARA KANNADA	6822	172	52	6942
31.	VIJAYAPURA	9306	306	121	9491
32.	YADGIR	1226	44	5	1265
	Total	154729	5092	2604	157217

5. Further data shows that as on 06.03.2025 i.e. the date on which

we delivered the main judgment in Civil Appeal Nos. 3640-3642 of 2025, the total execution petitions pending in the district judiciary of the State of Karnataka was 1,51,278. In a span of six months thereafter, a total of 41,221 execution petitions came to be disposed of. As on date, 1,41,814 execution petitions are pending in the district judiciary in the State of Karnataka.

6. These Miscellaneous Applications are now to come up on 10.04.2026 for reporting further compliance of our directions issued in the main judgment. We expect the High Court of Karnataka to take up the issue of huge pendency of the execution petitions in the different courts of its district judiciary very seriously.

7. 1,41,814 is a very alarming pendency. We request the High Court of Karnataka to evolve some procedure and guide the district judiciary for effective and expeditious disposal of the execution petitions pending as on date.

8. At this stage, we would like to say something very important. The executing court should ensure that without any valid reason, it should not permit the learned advocates to withdraw the execution petitions

and then refile them again. It is only for a very valid reason that the executing court may permit withdrawal of the execution petition already filed with permission to file a fresh petition.

9. One copy of this order shall be forwarded at the earliest to the Registrar General, High Court of Karnataka who, in turn, shall place it before the Hon'ble Chief Justice of the High Court of Karnataka.

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(J.B. PARDIWALA)

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(PANKAJ MITHAL)

NEW DELHI;
NOVEMBER 11, 2025

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. This Court today passed certain directions as contained in the signed order of Miscellaneous Application Nos. 1889-1891 of 2025 in Civil Appeal Nos. 3640-3642 of 2025.
2. One copy of this order shall be forwarded at the earliest to the Registrar General, High Court of Karnataka who, in turn, shall place it before the Hon'ble Chief Justice of the High Court of Karnataka.

(CHANDRESH)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)
(Signed order is placed on the file)