

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA  
AT BENGALURU**

Dated this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2017

**PRESENT:**

**THE HON'BLE MR SUBHRO KAMAL MUKHERJEE,  
CHIEF JUSTICE**

**AND**

**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE P S DINESH KUMAR**

WRIT PETITION No.64544 OF 2016 (LB-ELE) PIL

**BETWEEN:**

DAKSH  
62/1, PALACE ROAD  
VASANTH NAGAR  
BENGALURU-560 001  
REPRESENTED BY

Mr.NARASIMHAN MANDYAM

...PETITIONER

(BY SRIMATI.POORNIMA HATTI, ADVOCATE)

**AND:**

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYAT RAJ  
DEPARTMENT, 3<sup>RD</sup> GATE, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
M.S.BUILDING, BENGALURU-560 001  
REPRESENTED BY THE  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

2 ZILLA PANCHAYAT  
YADGIR DISTRICT  
YADGIR-585 291

REPRESENTED BY THE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

3. DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE  
YADGIR-585 291 ...RESPONDENTS

(BY SHRI.R.DEVDAS, PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT  
ADVOCATE FOR RESPONDENT Nos.1 and 3;  
RESPONDENT No.2 SERVED AND UNREPRESENTED)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226  
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO  
CALL FOR THE RECORDS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF R-2  
AND ANY ORDER, NOTIFICATION OR CIRCULAR WHICH  
MAY HAVE BEEN ISSUED WITH RESPECT TO ALLOWING  
UNELECTED MEMBERS TO ATTEND MEETINGS OF R-2  
AND ALLOTING OFFICE SPACE TO SUCH UNELECTED  
MEMBERS AND ETC.,

THIS WRIT PETITION COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY  
HEARING, THIS DAY, **THE CHIEF JUSTICE** MADE THE  
FOLLOWING:-

## **ORDER**

This is a writ petition alleging that near relations of the elected members of the Zilla Panchayat, Yadgir, are participating in the discussions of the Zilla Panchayat, although, they have no status.

2. Mr.R.Devdas, learned principal government advocate, appears for the respondent Nos.1 and 3. He draws our attention to a circular dated September 19, 2016, indicating that there is no provision for participation of the husbands and the relatives of the elected members of the Grama Panchayat.

3. We, therefore, dispose of this writ petition by holding that the persons, who are not elected as the members of the Grama Panchayat or the Zilla

Panchayat, shall not attend the meetings of the Grama Panchayat or the Zilla Panchayat.

4. We make no order as to costs.

**Sd/-  
CHIEF JUSTICE**

**Sd/-  
JUDGE**

Yn.