IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 2022

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. RITU RAJ AWASTHI, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE S. SUJATHA

WRIT PETITION NO. 8443 OF 2022 (GM-RES-PIL)

BETWEEN:

MURALI KRISHNA BRAHMANDAM

... PETITIONER

(BY SRI MURALI KRISHNA BRAHMANDAM, PARTY-IN-PERSON [ABSENT])

AND:

1 . CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER NIRVACHANA NILAYA MAHARANI'S COLLEGE CIRCLE SHESHADRI ROAD BANGALORE-560 001

2 . CHIEF ELECTION COMMISSIONER ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA NIRVACHAN SADAN ASHOKA ROAD PANDIT PANT MARG AREA SANSAD MARG AREA NEW DELHI-110 001 3 . SECRETARY TO GOVERNOR RAJ BHAVAN RAJ BHAVAN ROAD BANGALORE-560 001

... RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI VIJAYAKUMAR A. PATIL, AGA FOR R-3)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO DIRECT RESPONDENT NOS.1, 2 AND 3 TO NOT CONDUCT THE 2023 ASSEMBLY ELECTION BUT TO CONDUCT DIRECT ELECTION TO DIRECTLY ELECT REPRESENTATIONAL PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL POLITICAL PARTIES AS PETITIONER WILL ELABORATE FOR THE WHOLE KARNATAKA STATE AREA - A MOVE THAT IS KARNATAKA AREA NEEDED TO MAKE THE MORE EQUITABLE TO ALL AND ETC.

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

<u>ORDER</u>

The list being revised, no one has appeared on behalf

of the petitioner to press this writ petition.

2. This Public Interest Litigation has been filed

seeking the following reliefs:

"1. Direct R-1, R-2, and R-3 to NOT conduct the 2023 Assembly election but to conduct direct election to directly elect representational people's representatives from all political parties as Petitioner will elaborate for the whole Karnataka state area - a move that is needed to make the Karnataka area more equitable to all. 2. Direct all Respondents and political parties to come together and ask the Petitioner to the Interim act as Representative of Karnataka to RESTRUCTURE the Karnataka area government correctly а need of Karnataka area people and businesses that cannot be fulfilled otherwise."

3. It appears from the averments made in the writ petition that the petitioner is aggrieved with the Assembly elections held under the Representation of the People Act, 1951 (for short 'the said Act'). There is no challenge to the provisions of the said Act. The averments made in the writ petition do not make out any case for grant of indulgence. The writ petition, being misconceived, is dismissed.

4. The pending interlocutory application does not survive for consideration and stands disposed of.

Sd/-CHIEF JUSTICE

> Sd/-JUDGE

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