

Administrative lapse in Belagavi as PDO fails to relinquish charge

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A shocking action from Kedanur GP Development Officer from Belagavi taluk has once again exposed how orders issued by top officials of the Zilla Panchayat have seemingly lost their authority at the grassroots level.

The blatant disregard for a written transfer and charge-handover order issued by the Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer has raised serious questions about administrative discipline, accountability, and respect for hierarchy within the Panchayat Raj system. According to the official order issued by the Rahul Shinde, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Belagavi, on November 5, 2025, several Pancha-

yat Development Officers and a Grade-1 Secretary were transferred in public and administrative interest, with the order clearly stating that it would come into force with immediate effect.

Under this order, Leela Metri, Panchayat Development Officer (PDO) of Kedanur Gram Panchayat, was transferred to Marihal Gram Panchayat, while Irshad Vadgaonkar, Grade-1 Secretary from Bastawad Gram Panchayat, was posted to Kedanur Gram Panchayat with additional charge as Panchayat Development Officer. However, despite the lapse of several weeks since the issuance of the transfer order, Leela Metri allegedly failed to hand over charge to Irshad Vadgaonkar, despite he ap-

proached the Panchayat office to take charge. Sources allege that she not only delayed the process but also behaved rudely when asked to comply with the orders, showing open reluctance to obey the directions of higher authorities.

This defiance continued even though the transfer order was issued by the highest administrative authority of the Zilla Panchayat.

When the matter was brought to the attention of Yashwant Kumar, Executive Officer of Belagavi Taluk Panchayat, he reportedly attempted to justify the delay by stating that oral instructions had been given to allow Leela Metri to continue until the winter legislative session held in Belagavi was concluded.

However, he failed to explain how oral directions could override a written and officially communicated order of the Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer, or why such a prolonged delay was tolerated.

The incident has sparked widespread concern among local residents and public representatives, who fear that such open defiance reflects a deeper administrative malaise.

The episode clearly suggests that Zilla Panchayat orders are no longer treated as binding at the Panchayat level, allowing irregularities to continue unchecked. There are growing demands for a thorough inquiry and strict disciplinary action to restore the authority of higher officials and ensure transparency and accountability.

The Central Government has undertaken railway projects worth Rs 12,900 crore for the development of the Kalyana Karnataka region

V Somanna,
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MPLADS SCHEME

Dharwad girl slams Joshi for 'neglecting' constituency

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A video footage of a girl questioning Union Minister Pralhad Joshi is getting viral on social media. In the clip posted on X, the girl claims that the minister has not spent any amount from the money allocated to him under the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MP-LADS). In a video, she claims that she was checking the website of MPLADS fund and found that the funds allotted to Dharwad constituency was Rs 9.8 crore, and from that only Rs 1.11 crore was spent. She also says that out of 101 works allotted, only 11 have been completed.

Speaking in a sarcastic tone, she urges the Union minister to look around his constituency and develop the roads, saying that the people in the twin city are suffering because of the dusty roads and uncompleted works. The video has gone viral. A few groups of people are claiming that the girl's courage is commendable and that she has come out with facts. "She had shown the facts in the video and posted it on the government website. The leaders should not take the post negatively. It is just a demand by a voter and it is the responsibility of the leader to take it up," they said.

"We have seen people's posts about requirements in their constituencies. The post by this

girl has made a lot of changes among the general public. It is good to see the youths coming forward with such suggestions," they added.

A BJP leader said the girl has done good research and there is nothing wrong in asking for the details.

Responding to the video, Union minister Pralhad Joshi said what was shown in the video was incomplete. He said the funds meant for the past year were spent fully and this year, works with estimated cost of around Rs 2.5 crore have been taken up. Without using up the funds for the past year, the amount for this year will not be released. Soon, all details will be available on the public domain, he said.



Minister Santosh Lad flags off an Akka Pade vehicle in Dharwad | EXPRESS

Akka Pade vehicle launched to protect women in Dharwad dist

Dharwad: To facilitate immediate response for the protection of women in every district, the state government has launched the Akka Pade (Sister Squad) vehicles. The team comprises women police officers and women home guards operating through the vehicle, said District In-charge Minister Santosh Lad. After flagging off an Akka Pade vehicle on Monday, the minister said that the Women and Child Development Department is behind the Akka Pade initiative. The mission of Akka Pade is to provide timely assistance and protection to women and children facing violence or any other trouble. Trained Akka Pade teams patrol sensitive areas and conduct awareness campaigns in schools. Women and adolescent girls facing issues like harassment, domestic violence, trafficking, child marriage, child labour, begging, or drug abuse, will be rescued. The team at the district level works in close coordination with the local police from 7 am to 8 pm in two shifts – 7 am to 2 pm and 2 pm to 8 pm. The team members are deployed at schools, colleges, girls' and women's hostels, bus and railway stations, local markets, tourist spots, holy places and other sensitive areas, he added.

EXPRESS READ

Sea of devotees witness car festival at Gavi Mutt

Koppal: An estimated 10 lakh devotees gathered to witness the annual chariot festival of Gavi Deshdevi Mutt in Koppal on Monday. People from both rural and urban parts of Karnataka visited the mutt in Koppal to witness the historic chariot fair. This annual fair is also known as the "Kumbh of South India" the number of devotees that arrive here. The chariot festival was inaugurated by Governor of Meghalaya C H Vijayashankar. Union Minister V Somanna, Koppal Gavi Mutt seer Abhinav Gavisiddeshwar Swami, District In-charge Minister Shrivraj Tangadgi, MPs Jagadish Shettar, Basavaraj Bommai and others were present. Many villagers have been coming to the mutt with loads of kadak jowar rotis, wheat packets, toor dal packets, rice bags and vegetables in tractors and mini goods vehicles for the last two months. Sindhanur Vijay and friends made 10 lakh Mysuru Pak this year. Hundreds of stalls put up on the mutt premises have been receiving a good number of footfalls over the past week and many stall owners have expressed happiness. A big stage was erected on the mutt premises and lakhs of devotees watched the programmes sitting on the hillock and other places.

Dharwad district tops state in effective implementation of schemes: Revanna

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GUARANTEE schemes should reach even the most marginalised person in the society. The funds under the schemes are being directly delivered to 98 percent of the beneficiaries. Dharwad district is ranked first in the entire state in the implementation of the schemes, said Karnataka State Guarantee Scheme Implementation Authority chairman H.M. Revanna. After inaugurating a district-level guarantee workshop and guarantee festival on the implementation of the five guarantee schemes of the Congress government in the state, organised in collaboration with the district administration, the Zilla Panchayat and the District Implementation Authority of Guarantee Schemes, at the Sri Annajirao Shiroor Auditorium on KCD College premises on Monday, he said about one lakh crore people are directly benefiting from the guarantees.

As many as 638 crore women have travelled in buses free of cost under the Shakti scheme.



People take part in the Guarantee Scheme Festival held in Dharwad on Monday | EXPRESS

The Shakti scheme has received awards and certificates from organisations like the London Book of World Records, Golden Book of World Records and International Book of Records.

The Gruha Lakshmi, Gruha Jyoti and Yuva Nidhi schemes are also being implemented effectively, he said. Labour and District In-charge Minister Santosh Lad said that ₹ 60,000 crore is being spent annually on the five guarantee schemes and ₹ 3

lakh crore will be spent in five years. Money under Gruha Lakshmi scheme is being given to women to respect their work.

Dharwad District Guarantee Scheme Implementation Authority chairman S.R. Patil said employment opportunities are being provided in Hubballi-Dharwad twin city. Rice is being distributed under the Anna Bhagya scheme with ₹ 358 crore having been spent on this scheme.



Union Bank of India
REGIONAL OFFICE-HUBBALLI
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NOTICE TO THE BORROWER INFORMING ABOUT SALE (30 DAYS NOTICE) RULE 6 (2)(b) (6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

Date: 06/12/2025

REF.NO: CRLD:220/8/6
Borrower:1)M/S Sai Tyre Terminal Prop: Umadevi Basavraj Savanur, Plot No 1912, Sattigiri Cross, Near Sambram Hotel, Bagalkot Road, Yaragatti 591129.

2)Umadevi Basavraj Savanur Prop: M/S Sai Tyre Terminal, Ho No 1362/1, Police Station Road, Saudatti Sub Post Office, Akki Oni, Saudatti, Belgavi, Karnataka 591126.

Sir/Madam,
Sale-Sale of property belonging to Umadevi Basavraj Savanur for realization of amount due to Bank under the Securitization And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Union Bank of India, Dharwad CBT Branch, the secured creditor, caused a demand notice dated 29.08.2025 under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, calling upon you to pay the dues within the time stipulated therein.

Since you failed to comply the said notice within the period stipulated, the Authorised Officer, has taken possession of the secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 6 / 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on 21.11.2025. Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to bank. As such, if it becomes necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction after 30 days from the date of receipt of this notice through online mode. The date and time of e-auction along with the Reserve Price of the property and the details of the service provider, in which the e-auction to be conducted, shall be informed to you separately.

Therefore, if you pay the amount due to the bank along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by bank before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec. 13 (8) of the Act.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:

All that piece and parcel of non-agriculture land and building bearing CTS No 1989/B Money No 1362/1 measuring 82.78 Sq. Mtrs and building having plinth area of 11'10" x 9'8" and 11'10" x 75'4" of Saundatti Dist:Belgavi, Boundaries East: CTS No 1988/A, West: CTS No 1989/A, North: Road, South: Road

Date:06-12-2025 Place:HUBBALLI

Sd/-Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

BANGALORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
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BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP portal)

BESCOM invites tender for the following Enquiry No: **BESCOM/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT_780** For Up-gradation of LT Distribution network by replacing existing overhead bare conductor by LT Covered Conductor & LT AB Cable at West Circle of BMA (South)Z, BESCOM for a period of one year on Partial Turnkey basis. Bid documents available from **07-01-2026**. Last Date for submission of Bids on **05-02-2026** at 17:00 hrs. Opening of Bid Document on **06-02-2026** at 17:15 hrs. The Tenders can be obtained through KPP portal website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>. Aspiring bidders need to register on KPP portal. Further Bidders can take assistance with KPP help desk contact numbers (080-46010000, 080-68948777) or email at support@eprochelpdesk.com. Sd/- Chief General Manager(Ele.) Procurement, BESCOM

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(CIN:L65922RJ2011PLC034297) Regd. & Corp. Office: 201-202, 2nd Floor, South End Square, Mansarovar Industrial Area, Jaipur, 302020

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis. The details of the cases are as under.

Name of Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/Mortgagors	Dues As on	Date & Demand of 13(2)Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of Property	Reserve Price For Property	Earnest Money For Property	Date & Time of Auction
MALLAVYA KAMBALE, AAKASH SHANKAR KAMBALE GUARANTOR : MAHADEVI HUMANUM SUNAGAR (AC NO.) LNBGLG00322-230257262	Rs. 18,81,772.00/- DUES AS ON 05 JAN 2026	7 FEB 24 24	RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY BEARING HOUSE NO: 131 (537), HAVING E-VASTU NO. 1504003400122463 AS PER THE PRESENT GRAM PANCHAYAT RECORDS RCC HOUSE NO:131, HUMANUM SUNAGAR, 58252 SQ. MTRS, SITUATED AT CHURCH GALLI KANGRALI BK VILLAGE, TQ. & DIST. BELGAVALI, WHICH COMES UNDER BELAGAVI SUB REGISTRAR, WITHIN THE LIMITS OF GRAM PANCHAYAT KANGRALI BK, BELAGAVI KARNATAKA ADMEASURING 58.25 SQ. MTRS.	Rs. 89292/-	Rs. 89292/-	11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM 06 FEB 2026	

Terms & Conditions: 1) The person, taking part in the tender, will have to deposit his offer in the tender form provided by the AFL which is to be collected from the above branch offices during working hours of any working day, super scribbling "Tender Offer for name of the property" on the sealed envelope along with the Cheque/DD/pay order of 10% of the Reserve Price as Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in favour of AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED payable at Jaipur on/before time of auction during office hours at the above mentioned offices. The sealed envelopes will be opened in the presence of the available interested parties at above mentioned office of AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED. The Inter-se bidding, if necessary will also take place among the available bidders. The EMD is refundable if the bid is not successful. 2) The successful bidder will deposit 25% of the bidding amount adjusting the EMD amount as initial deposit immediately or within 24hrs after the fall of the hammer towards the purchase of the asset. The successful bidder failing to deposit the said 25% towards initial payment, the entire EMD deposited will be forfeited & balance amount of the sale price will have to be deposited within 15 days after the confirmation of the sale by the secured creditor; otherwise his initial payment deposited amount will be forfeited. 3) The Authorised officer has absolute right to accept or reject any bid or adjourn/postpone the sale process without assigning any reason thereto, if the date of tender depositing or the date of tender opening is declared as holiday by Government, then the sale will be held on next working day. 4) For inspection and Interested parties who want to know about the procedure of tender may contact AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED 201,202, 2nd Floor, South End Square, Mansarovar Industrial Area, Jaipur-302020 or Pushpendra Meena - 9875896876 or respective branch during office hours. Note: This is also a 15/30 days notice under Rule 9(1)(b) of the sale of the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors of the above said loan accounts about tender inter se bidding sale on the above mentioned date. The property will be sold, if their outstanding dues are not repaid in full.

Authorised Officer AAvas Financiers Limited



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E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST (SARFAESI) ACT (2002), READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of Jana Small Finance Bank Limited has taken possession of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that online auction (e-auction) of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on 01.01.2026	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last Date & Place for submission of Bid
1	31139630001032	1) Mr. Avinash Rathod, 2) Mrs. Chandabai Lamani	05-06-2025	Rs. 4,75,427.00 (Rupees Four Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Seven Only)	27.01.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs. 6,96,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Six Hundred Only)	Rs. 69,000/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Only)	10.02.2026 @ 02:00 PM	09.02.2026, Till 5.00 PM
2	31130430000461	1) Mrs. Sunanda Wathar, 2) Mr. Rakesh Wathar	06-06-2025	Rs. 5,79,150.99 (Rupees Five Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty and Ninety Nine Paise Only)	27.01.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to				