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Dear Kumaraswamy avaré,

Sub: Urging you to instruct officials to immediately dispose of applications for support to Defence Veterans and Defence Martyrs' Next of Kin (NOK)

I am highlighting the urgent need for your Government to ensure expedited approval of support to Defence Veterans and Defence Martyrs' next of kin.

The Lokayukta had recently warned officials in various Government departments, including the Revenue Department, on undue delays by authorities in clearing support to the widows (Veer Naris) or family members of the deceased defence personnel. It is unfortunate that the Government has failed to provide the authorised support to families of those who had sacrificed their lives in service of the Nation, many of whom, the sole bread-winners to their families.

Additionally, the Government and state authorities have failed to heed Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka's judgment dated August 25, 2014 to petitions filed by Defence Veterans and their kin (Copy Enclosed). The High Court had directed all authorities in Karnataka to dispose of the applications of Veer Naris / NOK within six months of filing the applications.

I have also enclosed a sample from NOK of martyrs with a long pending application for land grants from the Government. The Government is failing members of our defence forces and their families in denying them their rightful support.

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As someone who had always stood firm and fought on issues in support of our military personnel and their families, I urge you to direct concerned authorities and Deputy Commissioners to immediately dispose of matters related to the armed forces, defence martyrs' and their next of kin.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl:

1. Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka's order dated August 25, 2014
2. List of 14 Martyrs Families waiting for Compensation since June 01, 2015