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**Assembly secretariat  
told to reinstate official**

The HC has directed the Karnataka Legislative Assembly to reinstate S Murthy as Secretary within three weeks, subject to the result of disciplinary proceedings against him. Justice P B Bhajanthri issued the order while disposing the petition filed by Murthy questioning the order passed by the Karnataka Legislative Assembly suspending him from services on December 27, 2018, on charges of financial irregularities. Observing that the petitioner's explanation to the charges were not considered, he was kept under suspension for the last one-and-a-half years, and was being paid subsistence allowance without extracting work, which amounts to a burden on the state exchequer, the judge said, adding that the suspension period should be regulated on completion of proceedings. The judge permitted the KLA to file application for modification of the order dated September 4, 2019, which restrained the inquiring authority from passing the order.

