

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM
PRESENT
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJA VIJAYARAGHAVAN V
&
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K. V. JAYAKUMAR**

Wednesday, the 6th day of August 2025 / 15th Sravana, 1947

SSCR NO. 19 OF 2025

**IN THE MATTER OF TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD-SABARIMALA SPECIAL COMMISSIONER
REPORT-S.M.NO.19/2025- MONTHLY REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE SPECIAL COMMISSIONER,
SABARIMALA REGARDING THE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN DURING KARKKIDAKAM MASA
POOJA FROM 17.07.2025 TO 21.07.2025(1200ME KARKKIDAKAM MASAM) AT SABARIMALA SREE
DHARMA SASTHA TEMPLE - SUO MOTU PROCEEDINGS INITIATED - REG**

PETITIONER:

SUO MOTU

RESPONDENT:

- 1. STATE OF KERALA
REPRESENTED BY THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
REVENUE (DEVASWOM) DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-695001**
- 2. THE TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, NANTHANCODE,
KAWDIAR POST, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695003**
- 3. THE DEVASWOM COMMISSIONER
TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD,
DEVASWOM BUILDING, NANTHANCODE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695003**
- 4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SABARIMALA, SABARIMALA P.O.,
PATHANAMTHITTA -689662**
- 5. CHIEF VIGILANCE & SECURITY OFFICER (SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE)
TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM HEADQUARTERS, NANTHANCODE,
KAWDIAR POST, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695003**

**6. CHIEF POLICE COORDINATOR (ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE)
POLICE HEADQUARTERS, SABARIMALA,
PATHANAMTHITTA - 689713**

**BY SRI.S.RAJMOHAN, SR.GOVERNMENT PLEADER
BY STANDING COUNSEL FOR TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD
BY SMT.SAYUJYA RADHAKRISHNAN, AMICUS CURIAE FOR SABARIMALA SPECIAL
COMMISSIONER**

**THIS SABARIMALA SPECIAL COMMISSIONER REPORT HAVING COME UP FOR
ADMISSION ON 06.08.2025, UPON PERUSING THE REPORT, THE COURT ON THE SAME
DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:**



**RAJA VIJAYARAGHAVAN V.,
&
K.V. JAYAKUMAR, JJ.**

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Dated this the 6th day of August, 2025

ORDER

Raja Vijayaraghavan V, J.

The report of the Special Commissioner is placed before us.

2. It is by order dated 11.03.2025 that this Court had permitted the Devaswom Board to relocate the 'Bhasmakkulam' situated at the Sannidhanam. From the report dated 04.08.2025 submitted by the Special Commissioner, it appears that the construction has not yet commenced. The next season is scheduled to commence mid November, 2025. The quantity of earth which is to be removed is quite substantial and we do not think that it would be legitimate to expect that the work could be completed before the commencement of the next season. It is however brought to our notice that after the filing of the report by the Special Commissioner, some steps are being taken to make it appear that work has commenced.

3. As the learned Standing Counsel for the Devaswom Board sought time for a day to get instructions, post on 07.08.2025. The standing counsel shall state before us details of the work including the quantum of

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earth to be removed, the area of the proposed pond, the terms of the contract stipulating the time of completion of the work etc.

Sd/-
**RAJA VIJAYARAGHAVAN V,
JUDGE**



Sd/-
**K.V. JAYAKUMAR,
JUDGE**

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