

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM
PRESENT
THE HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. SOUMEN SEN
&
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SYAM KUMAR V.M.

Thursday, the 19th day of February 2026 / 30th Magha, 1947
WP(PIL) NO. 37 OF 2026(S)

PETITIONER:

SHAJI J. KODANKANDATH, AGED 54 YEARS, S/O. JOSE KODANKANDATH,
SNEHA ROSE VILLA, KODANKANDATH HOUSE, CHEMBUKAVU P.O, THRISSUR,
PIN - 680 020.

RESPONDENTS:

1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY ITS CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVT. SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 001.
2. DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, GOVERNMENT OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 001.
3. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 001.
4. DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF SURVEY AND LAND RECORDS, DIRECTORATE OF SURVEY & LAND RECORDS, VAZHUTHACAUD, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 014.
5. DIRECTOR, VIGILANCE AND ANTI -CORRUPTION BUREAU, DIRECTORATE VIGILANCE AND ANTI -CORRUPTION BUREAU, VIKAS BHAVAN PO, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA, PIN - 695 033.
6. SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT II (SIU-II), VIGILANCE AND ANTI -CORRUPTION BUREAU, DIRECTORATE VIGILANCE AND ANTI -CORRUPTION BUREAU, VIKAS BHAVAN PO, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 033.
7. INSPECTOR OF POLICE, SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT II (SIU-II), VIGILANCE AND ANTI-CORRUPTION BUREAU, DIRECTORATE VIGILANCE AND ANTI -CORRUPTION BUREAU, VIKAS BHAVAN PO, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 033.

Writ petition (public interest litigation) praying inter alia that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed along with the WP(PIL) the High Court be pleased to direct the 5th respondent to report the action taken by the said authority as on today on Ext P10 investigation report, pending final disposal of the above writ petition.

P.T.O.

This petition coming on for admission upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support of WP(PIL) and upon hearing the arguments of M/S. K.B.GANGESH, SMITHA CHATHANARAMBATH, HARISANKAR.K.V. & ATHIRA A.MENON, Advocates for the petitioner and of Ms. B.VINITHA, SENIOR GOVERNMENT PLEADER, the court passed the following:

P.T.O.



Soumen Sen, C.J. & Syam Kumar V.M., J.

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Dated this the 19th day of February, 2026

Appearance:

For the Petitioner : Ms. K.B. Gangesh

For the Respondents : Ms. B. Vinitha, Sr. G.P.

ORDER

Syam Kumar V.M., J.

The learned Senior Government Pleader to file a report in the form of an affidavit regarding the steps that have been taken by respondents 5, 6 and 7 with respect to the averments made in the writ petition, within a period of three weeks.

2. Post on 12.03.2026.

Sd/-
Soumen Sen
Chief Justice

Sd/-
Syam Kumar V.M.
Judge

vpv

APPENDIX OF WP(PIL) 37/2026

Exhibit P10

**TRUE COPY OF THE INVESTIGATION REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE
7TH RESPONDENT TO THE 5TH RESPONDENT DATED 20.06.2024**

