

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM
PRESENT
THE HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. NITIN JAMDAR
&
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SYAM KUMAR V.M.**

**Wednesday, the 7th day of January 2026 / 17th Pousha, 1947
CONTEMPT CASE(C) NO. 3008 OF 2025(S) IN WP(C) 18400/2024**

PETITIONER/PETITIONER:

**ADV. BORIS PAUL, AGED 55 YEARS, SON OF XAVIER PAUL,
RESIDING AT ASHTAMUDI LAW CHAMBERS, NORTH OF CIVIL STATION,
THEVALLY P.O., KOLLAM, PIN - 691 009.**

**BY ADVOCATES M/S. AJMAL A., ANANYA M.G., MANOJ SREEDHAR, DHANUSH
C.A., PRIYANKA SHARMA M.R. & BENCY M. RAJ**

RESPONDENTS/RESPONDENT 22 & 23:

- 1. SEERAM SAMBASIVA RAO IAS, SPECIAL SECRETARY, ENVIRONMENT
DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695
001.**
- 2. SUNEEL PAMIDI IFS, MEMBER SECRETARY, THE STATE WETLAND AUTHORITY
KERALA (SWAK), 4TH FLOOR, KSRTC BUS TERMINAL COMPLEX, THAMPAN00R,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 001.**

MS.VINITHA B, SENIOR GOVERNMENT PLEADER FOR R1

MR.PRAKASH M.P, STANDING COUNSEL & ADVOCATE MR.BINNY THOMAS FOR R2

**This Contempt of court case (civil) having come up for orders on
07.01.2026, the court on the same day passed the following:**

P.T.O.

NITIN JAMDAR, C. J. & SYAM KUMAR V.M., J

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Dated this the 7th day of January, 2026

ORDER

Heard Mr.Ajmal A., learned counsel for the Petitioner, Mr.Binny Thomas representing Mr.Prakash M.P., learned Standing Counsel for the State Wetland Authority Kerala-Respondent No.2 and Ms.Vinita B., learned Senior Government Pleader. .

2. The learned Senior Government Pleader states that the official notification is pending for adjudication as the constitution of a committee would require creation of post. It appears that this contention proceeds on an incorrect reading of the judgment, as the composition of the committee consists entirely of Government Officers and representatives to be nominated by the Chairperson of the State Committee, who is the District Collector, with the Chief Executive Officer functioning as the Member Secretary. Though it is recorded in the judgment that the Chief Executive Officer, would be a full time salaried person, a reading of the judgment would show that the Member Secretary referred to therein is the Member Secretary of the State Wetland Authority. That being the position, we do not find that there is any creation of post. The technical and professional team referred to in the judgment which is to work under the Chief Executive Officer is a subsequent step to be taken. That being the position, there was never any impediment for taking the step as contemplated in Clause (a) of the

judgment, namely, the constitution of a specific unit

3. The learned Senior Government Pleader states that in view of the above position, necessary order will be issued for constituting a committee during the course of the day.

5. Post on 8 January 2026.

Sd/-
NITIN JAMDAR
CHIEF JUSTICE

Sd/-
SYAM KUMAR V.M
JUDGE

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