

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM
PRESENT
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN
&
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SYAM KUMAR V.M.

Wednesday, the 3rd day of September 2025 / 12th Bhadra, 1947
WP(PIL) NO. 108 OF 2025(S)

PETITIONER:

ADV. VISHNU SUNIL PANTHALAM @ VISHNU SUNIL, AGED 35 YEARS, S/O
SUNIL PANTHALAM, RESIDING AT NARAYANEYAM, THIRUMULLAVARAM, KOLLAM,
PIN - 691 512

RESPONDENTS:

1. DIRECTOR, VIGILANCE AND ANTI-CORRUPTION BUREAU THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 695 001
2. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY, HOME DEPARTMENT,
GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANNATHAPURAM, PIN - 695 001
3. KERALA STATE CASHEW DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD., REPRESENTED BY ITS
MANAGING DIRECTOR, CASHEW HOUSE, POST BOX NUMBER 13, MUNDAKKAL,
KOLLAM, PIN - 691 001
4. KERALA CASHEW BOARD LTD., TC-29/4016, WOMENS COLLEGE-BAKERY JUNCTION
ROAD, VAZHUTHACAUD, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695 014
5. DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, VIGILANCE AND ANTI- CORRUPTION
BUREAU KAANKATHU MUKKU, KOLLAM, KERALA, PIN - 691 013

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 1st respondent to consider and take expeditious action on Ext. P8 complaint submitted by the petitioner pending disposal of this Writ Petition (Public Interest Litigation).

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. JOMY K. JOSE & MUHAMMED ANSHIF T.K, Advocates for the petitioner, SRI. SHAJAHAN T.K, GOVERNMENT PLEADER for R1, R2 & R5 and of SRI. VIPIN P. VARGHESE, for R3, the court passed the following:

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DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN & SYAM KUMAR V.M., JJ.

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Dated this the 3rd day of September, 2025

ORDER

Devan Ramachandran, J.

Sri.Shajahan T.K. - learned Senior Government Pleader for respondents 1, 2 and 5 and Sri.Vipin P.Varghese - learned Standing Counsel for respondent No.3, seek time to obtain instructions.

2. At this time, Sri.Jomy K.Jose - learned counsel for the petitioner, submitted that there is an urgency projected in this case, namely that the 3rd respondent is likely to remove all cashew nuts/kernels immediately.

3. We do not think that we should intervene even on such a submission because, if there is a cause as projected by the petitioner, then the competent authorities of

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respondents 1, 2 and 5 certainly obtain
necessary competence.

List on 08.09.2025.

Sd/-

DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN

JUDGE

Sd/-

SYAM KUMAR V.M.

JUDGE

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APPENDIX OF WP(PIL) 108/2025

Exhibit P8

**A TRUE COPY OF THE COMPLAINT LETTER SUBMITTED BEFORE
THE 1ST RESPONDENT DATED 16.08.2025 ALONG WITH THE
TRANSLATION**

