

HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU

CJ Court

Case No.: PIL No. 9/2012
c/w
WP(C) PIL No. 14/2020

Sheikh Mohd. Shafi and another Petitioner(s)/Appellant (s)

Through :- Mr. S.S. Ahmed, Advocate
Ms. Supriya Chouhan, Advocate
Mr. Rahul Raina, Advocate
Mr. M. Zulker Nain Chowdhary,
Advocate
Mr. Kias Alam, Advocate

v/s

Union of India and othersRespondent(s)

Through :- Mr. Vishal Sharma, DSGI
Mr. Mohsin Qadri, Sr. AAG
(Through Virtual Mode from Srinagar Wing)
Mr. Ahtsham Hussain Bhat, Advocate

CORAM: HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNESH OSWAL, JUDGE

ORDER
07.08.2025

(ORAL)

1. With reference to a detailed order dated April 24, 2025 passed by this Court, Mr. Vishal Sharma, learned Deputy Solicitor General of India has shared with us a copy of the status report dated July 10, 2025, filed on behalf of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, which is taken on record as mark 'X'. He submits that vide three separate communications dated May 27, 2025, July 4, 2025 and July 25, 2025, proposals for grant of sanction for prosecution against the concerned IAS officers has since been received:

SL No.	Name of the officer (with batch)	Posting	Date of letter/SoP
1.	Sh. Pandurang Kondbarao Pole, IAS (AGMUT:2004)	DM, Udhampur	25.07.2025
2.	Sh. M. Raju, IAS (AGMUT:2005)	DM, Kargil	04.07.2025

3.	Ms. Yasha Mudgal, IAS (AGMUT:2007)	DM, Udhampur	27.05.2025
		DM, Baramulla	25.07.2025
4.	Sh. Jatinder Kumar Singh, IAS (JH:2008)/then officer of J&K Cadre	DM, Kathua	27.05.2025
	Sh. Jatinder Kumar Singh, IAS (JH:2008)/then officer of J&K Cadre	DM, Rajouri	27.05.2025
5.	Dr. Shahid Iqbal Choudhary, IAS (AGMUT:2009)	DM, Udhampur	27.05.2025
6.	Sh. Niraj Kumar, IAS (AGMUT:2010)	DM, Udhampur	27.05.2025
		DM, Pulwama	25.07.2025
7.	Sh. Prasanna Ramaswamy G, IAS (AGMUT:2010)	ADM, Kathua	27.05.2025
	Sh. Prasanna Ramaswamy G, IAS (AGMUT:2010)	DM, Leh	04.07.2025
8.	Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS (AGMUT:2011)	DM, Kathua	27.05.2025

2. And as a consequence, he submits that the matter is being examined by the Ministry and the action, per the existing rules upon due consideration of the documents/comments received from CBI/J&K Administration, shall be taken.

3. Upon being pointedly asked as to the precise time the authorities would require to reach a final/formal decision for granting sanctions, he submits that in every likelihood the said process should not take more than six weeks.

4. Be that as it may, he submits that he would furnish a specific affidavit/status report in this regard.

5. Adjourned to 09.10.2025.

(RAJNESH OSWAL)
JUDGE

(ARUN PALLI)
CHIEF JUSTICE

JAMMU
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