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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. NITIN JAMDAR

&

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE BASANT BALAJI

MONDAY, THE 22ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025 / 31ST BHADRA, 1947

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PETITIONER:

BABU K M, AGED 59 YEARS, KOMOROTH HOUSE, BHAGAT SINGH
ROAD, THYKODAM, VYTILLA, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682019

BY ADVS.

SHRI.SHINTO MATHEW ABRAHAM
SMT.ANITA ELIZEBETH BABU
SRI.ARUN THOMAS
SMT.VEENA RAVEENDRAN
SMT.KARTHIKA MARIA
SRI.ANIL SEBASTIAN PULICKEL
SHRI.MATHEW NEVIN THOMAS
SHRI.KURIAN ANTONY MATHEW
SMT.LEAH RACHEL NINAN
SHRI.KARTHIK RAJAGOPAL
SMT.APARNNA S.
SHRI.ARUN JOSEPH MATHEW
SHRI.NOEL NINAN NINAN
SHRI.ADEEN NAZAR
SHRI.SANTHOSH MATHEW (SR.)

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO
GOVERNMENT, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
KERALA, PIN - 695001
- 2 KERALA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION (2ND APPELLATE
AUTHORITY), STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, T.C. 14/2071,
PUNNEN ROAD, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA, PIN - 695001
- 3 CHIEF INFORMATION COMMISSIONER
STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, T.C. 14/2071, PUNNEN ROAD,



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THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA, PIN - 695001

- 4 THE STATE PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER (1ST APPELLATE AUTHORITY), THE JOINT DIRECTOR, DIRECTORATE OF STATE LOTTERIES, VIKAS BHAVAN P.O., THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA, PIN - 695033
- 5 THE PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER
STATE LOTTERIES DEPARTMENT, DIRECTORATE OF STATE LOTTERIES, VIKAS BHAVAN P.O., THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA, PIN - 695033
- 6 STATE POLICE CHIEF, KERALA POLICE HEADQUARTERS, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695010
- 7 DIRECTOR, VIGILANCE AND ANTI CORRUPTION BUREAU PMG, VIKAS BHAVAN P.O, OPPOSITE KSRTC DEPOT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA, PIN - 695033
- 8 ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY, FINANCE DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT STATUE, THIRUVANANTHPURAM - 695011
- 9 COMPTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL OF INDIA
OFFICE OF ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (AUDIT I), AUDIT BHAVAN, STATUE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA , REPRESENTED BY ACCOUNTANT GENERAL AUDIT 1, PIN - 695011
- 10 CENTRAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, PLOT NO. 5-B, 6TH FLOOR, CGO COMPLEX, LODHI ROAD, NEW DELHI, REPRESENTED BY ITS DIRECTOR, PIN - 110003
- 11 DIRECTOR, LOTTERIES DEPARTMENT
DIRECTORATE OF STATE LOTTERIES, VIKAS BHAVAN, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695011
- 12 ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY, TAXES DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695001

SRI C.E UNNIKRISHNAN-SPL, GOVERNMENT PLEADER
SRI.M.AJAY, STANDING COUNSEL FOR STATE INFORMATION
COMMISSION

THIS WRIT PETITION (PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 22.09.2025, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:



JUDGMENT

Dated this the 22nd day of September, 2025

Nitin Jamdar, C.J.

Heard Mr. Shinto Mathew Abraham, learned counsel for the Petitioner, Mr. M. Ajay, learned Standing Counsel for Respondent Nos.2 & 3, and Mr. C. E. Unnikrishnan, learned Special Government Pleader.

2. The Petitioner is aggrieved by Exhibit-P6 order dated 30 April 2025 passed by Respondent No.3 – Chief Information Commissioner, State Information Commission, which partly allowed his appeal petition. The learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner will first challenge Exhibit-P6 order passed by the State Information Commission, the Appellate Authority, by adopting appropriate proceedings, and take up the other causes accordingly.

3. In light thereof, the petition is disposed of, with liberty as prayed for, keeping the contentions open.

Sd/-
Nitin Jamdar,
Chief Justice

Sd/-
Basant Balaji,
Judge

APPENDIX OF WP(PIL) 121/2025PETITIONER' S EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT P1	A TRUE COPY OF THE RTI REQUEST SUBMITTED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE 5TH RESPONDENT PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, DATED 09-05-2024, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION
EXHIBIT P2	A TRUE COPY OF THE RTI REPLY, DATED 23-05-2024, ISSUED BY 5TH RESPONDENT PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER TO THE PETITIONER, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION.
EXHIBIT P3	A TRUE COPY OF THE APPEAL FILED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE 4TH RESPONDENT/1ST APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER THE RTI ACT, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION, DATED 07-06-2024
EXHIBIT P4	A TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER NO SLTY/2586/2024-PA1 DATED 02-07-2024 ISSUED BY 4TH RESPONDENT/ 1ST APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER RTI ACT, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION.
EXHIBIT P5	A TRUE COPY OF THE APPEAL SUBMITTED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE 2ND RESPONDENT/ 2ND APPELLATE AUTHORITY, DATED 20-07-2024, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION
EXHIBIT P6	A TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER DATED 30-04-2025 ISSUED BY THE 3RD RESPONDENT CHIEF INFORMATION COMMISSIONER OF KERALA FOR 2ND RESPONDENT.
EXHIBIT P7	A TRUE COPY OF THE REPRESENTATION SUBMITTED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE 2ND RESPONDENT COMMISSION, DATED 28-07-2025 INFORMING ABOUT THE NON-COMPLIANCE AND REQUESTING THE COMMISSION TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION FOR ENFORCING ITS ORDER, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION
EXHIBIT P8	A TRUE COPY OF THE STATE REVENUE AUDIT MANUAL - KERALA STATE LOTTERIES, 1ST EDITION, ISSUED BY OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (WF&RA), KERALA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM
EXHIBIT P9	A TRUE COPY OF THE EXTRACT OF THE 9TH RESPONDENT CAG REPORT SHOWING IRREGULARITIES IN THE LOTTERIES DEPARTMENT
EXHIBIT P10	A TRUE COPY OF FORM-V, WHICH IS THE APPLICATION FORM FOR CLAIMING PRIZE MONEY ABOVE RS. 10,000
EXHIBIT P11	A TRUE COPY OF FORM-VI, WHICH IS THE APPLICATION FORM OF JOINT CLAIM OF PRIZE MONEY
EXHIBIT P12	A TRUE COPY OF FORM-VII, WHICH IS THE AFFIDAVIT BY PRIZE WINNER FROM OUTSIDE THE STATE



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EXHIBIT P13	A TRUE COPY OF THE RTI REPLY DATED 07-03-2011 WHEREIN THE FULL ADDRESS OF 1ST PRIZE WINNERS AND DETAILS OF ALL UNCLAIMED MONEY WERE PROVIDED BY LOTTERY DIRECTORATE, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION
EXHIBIT P14	A TRUE COPY OF THE EMAIL COMPLAINT, DATED 20-08-2025, SENT BY THE PETITIONER TO THE 7TH RESPONDENT'S OFFICE
EXHIBIT P15	A TRUE COPY OF A FOLLOW UP EMAIL COMPLAINT, DATED 30-08-2025, SENT BY THE PETITIONER TO THE 7TH RESPONDENT
EXHIBIT P16	A TRUE COPY OF THE REPLY LETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF POLICE SUPERINTENDENT, OF 7TH RESPONDENT VIGILANCE AND ANTI-CORRUPTION BUREAU, DATED 03-09-2025, RECEIVED ON 06-09-2025, ALONG WITH ITS TRANSLATION
EXHIBIT P17	A TRUE COPY OF THE EMAIL, DATED 20-08-2025, SENT TO THE 6TH RESPONDENT KERALA STATE POLICE CHIEF ALONG WITH THE REPLY
EXHIBIT P18	A TRUE COPY OF THE EMAIL DATED 30-08-2025 SENT TO THE 1ST RESPONDENT
EXHIBIT P19	A TRUE COPY OF THE EMAIL DATED 30-08-2025 SENT TO THE 8TH RESPONDENT
EXHIBIT P20	A TRUE COPY OF THE EMAIL DATED 20-08-2025 SENT TO THE 9TH RESPONDENT CAG BY THE PETITIONER.
EXHIBIT P21	A TRUE COPY OF THE EMAIL DATED 20-08-2025 SENT TO THE 10TH RESPONDENT CBI BY THE PETITIONER