

IN THE SPECIAL COURT FOR THE TRIAL OF NIA CASES, ERNAKULAM

Present: Sri. P.K. Mohandas, Judge for NIA Cases

Saturday the 23rd day of August 2025/1st Bhadra, 1947

Crl.M.P. No. 386/2025

In

SC No. 01/2020

Complainant

Union of India represented by National Investigation Agency, Kochi.

**By Sri. Arjun Ambalappatta
Senior Public Prosecutor, NIA**

Accused No. 1 to 4

1. Allan Shuaib @ Mamu @ Mammu (A1), age 20 years, S/o. Mohammed Shuaib, Manipoori House, Palattu Nagar, Thiruvannur, Kozhikode.
2. Thwaha Fasal (A2), age 24 years, S/o. Abubacker, Kottummal House, Moorkanad, Pantheerankavu, Kozhikode.
3. M. Usman (A3), Aged 42 years, S/o Aboobacker, Melethil House, Odampatta, Chembrassery, Pandikkad, Malappuram.(Now remanded at High Security Prison ,Viyyur.
4. Vijith Vijayan @ Pachha @ Balu @ Musafir @ Ajay (A4), aged 27 years, S/o. Vijayan V.K., Chaithram House, Puzhamudi Post, Kalpetta, Wayanad District, Kerala.

A1 and A2 by Adv. Sri. Isaac Sanjay.

A3 and A4 By Adv. Sri. Thushar Nirmal Sarathy

This petition is coming on for hearing before me on 23.08.2025 and the Court on the same day passed the following:

ORDER

This is an application for examining witness through video conferencing.

2. Sri. Shaji P, Joint Director (Documents), Forensic Science Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram, who has retired from service, is already examined as PW 138 in this case, and is summoned further examination on 25.08.2025. He stated that in view of his retirement and residence at Thiruvananthapuram, it is convenient to record his statement via video conferencing, avoiding unnecessary travel and expenses. He seeks permission to conduct the further examination of PW-138 through video conference.

3. When the matter came-up for consideration, I have heard the Public Prosecutor and the counsel for the accused. Both sides submitted that they have no objection in examining the witness through video conference.

4. In view of the reasons stated in the petition and considering the convenience of the witness and the fact that he is the expert who furnished the report, the petition is to be allowed.

Hence the petition is allowed and permission is granted to Sri. Shaji P,

Joint Director (Documents), Forensic Science Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram, (Prosecution Witness No.138 S.C. No. 01/2020/NIA), to appear before this court for examination through video conferencing on 25.08.2025 through the remote location at District Court, Thiruvananthapuram. The Senior System Officer, District Court, Thiruvananthapuram (Sri. Sabu Raj B, Ph: 9747670677, Email: tvmdcourt.ker@nic.in) or any other person nominated by the District and Sessions Judge, Thiruvananthapuram is to act as the coordinator at remote point. Send a copy of the order to the District and Sessions Judge, Thiruvananthapuram requesting to make necessary arrangements. The witness shall appear before the coordinator at remote point at 10.30 am on 25.08.2025.

Dictated to the Confidential Asst., transcribed and typewritten by her, corrected and pronounced by me in open court on this the 23rd day of August, 2025.

Sd/-
P. K. Mohandas
Judge, Special Court for NIA Cases

Appendix: Nil

Id/-
Judge, Special Court for NIA Cases
(By Order)

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