

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/WRIT PETITION (PIL) (WRIT PETITION (PIL)) NO. 50 of 2024**

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SUO MOTU

Versus

STATE OF GUJARAT, HOME DEPARTMENT, THROUGH SECRETARY & ORS.
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Appearance:

LAW OFFICER BRANCH(420) for the Applicant(s) No. 1

MR PR ABICHANDANI(102) for the Applicant(s) No. 1

ADVANCE COPY SERVED TO GOVERNMENT PLEADER/PP for the Opponent(s) No. 1

G H VIRK(7392) for the Opponent(s) No. 5

MR HS MUNSHAW(495) for the Opponent(s) No. 6

MR SIMRANJITSINGH H VIRK(11607) for the Opponent(s) No. 5

NANAVATI & CO.(7105) for the Opponent(s) No. 11
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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE SUNITA AGARWAL**and****HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRANAV TRIVEDI****Date : 17/01/2025****ORAL ORDER****(PER : HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE SUNITA AGARWAL)**

The present writ petition registered as *suo motu* petition in the matter of Management of Traffic in the City of Ahmedabad; filling up of vacancies in the establishment of the Traffic Police; addressing the issues of poor and inadequate road infrastructure in the City and the requirement of service roads etc. and was connected with the Public Interest Litigation, namely Writ Petition (PIL) No. 43 of 2024, wherein issue pertaining to construction of a flyover bridge over Panjrapole junction in the City of Ahmedabad was raised.

2. We may note that by the judgment and order dated 17.01.2025, Writ Petition (PIL) No. 43 of 2024 has been decided. As the said PIL was leading petition, all responses of the Corporation and the State respondents are forming part of the record of the said writ petition. Even the orders passed by us from time to time pertaining to the implementation of helmet rule etc. are in the leading writ petition, namely Writ Petition (PIL) No. 43 of 2024. As the said Public Interest Litigation has been decided separately, in order to complete the record of the present petition, we require the office to prepare a compilation of the photostat copy of the orders passed in Writ Petition (PIL) No. 43 of 2024 and keep the same on the record of the present petition. Similarly, the learned advocates appearing for the respondents shall prepare a compilation of all affidavits filed in Writ Petition (PIL) No. 43 of 2024 to complete the record of the present petition.

3. However, noticing the averments made in the affidavit dated 16.01.2025 of the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic Admn.) Ahmedabad City, we provide that the progress made in the matter of recruitment of Unarmed Police Force, which form part of the Traffic Police Force in the State of Gujarat, shall be placed before the Court on the next date fixed.

4. Mr. G.H. Virk, learned Government Pleader appearing on behalf of the State respondent states that the State authorities would deliberate on the question of requirement to find out the feasibility of preparing a cadre of the Traffic Police Force in the State of Gujarat, on assessment of the need of the State depending upon the type of cities, big, medium or small cities, so as to strengthen the cadre of Traffic Police Force, in consultation with the Officers of the State Traffic Branch Management.

As prayed, the matter is posted on **07.02.2025** at **12:30 pm**.

The progress made in the implementation of the Helmet rule, shall be placed before the Court on the next date fixed. The Registrar General, High Court is also directed to submit a report about the implementation of the circular issued under the order of Hon'ble The Chief Justice insisting on to follow the Helmet rule by the officers and employees of the High Court coming to the Court on two wheelers.

(SUNITA AGARWAL, CJ)

(PRANAV TRIVEDI,J)

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