

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 17448 of 2025**

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MUKESH KANIYALAL MANTRI & ORS.**Versus****THE STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.**

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Appearance:**JAYDEEP H SINDHI(9585) for the Petitioner(s) No.****1,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9****GOVERNMENT PLEADER for the Respondent(s) No. 1**

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE MAUNA M. BHATT**Date : 19/12/2025****ORAL ORDER**

1. This petition is filed challenging the notices dated 15.12.2025 issued to petitioners individually whereby the petitioners have been directed to vacate their shops within a period of 2 days.

2. Heard learned advocate Mr. Jaydeep Sindhi for the petitioners. Learned advocate for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners herein are residents of Kim Gram Panchayat and they have been allotted the shops in question for their petty business by the Gram Panchayat. Therefore, their occupation is not illegal. In support of his submissions, learned advocate for the petitioners relied upon payment of electricity bills and property tax. Learned advocate submitted that till November, 2025 the rent has been paid regularly and therefore petitioners are not illegal occupants however the notices dated 15.12.2025

was issued granting only 2 days time to vacate the shops in question.

2.1 Learned advocate further submitted that the shops in questions are the livelihood of the petitioners and the action taken is in breach of principles of natural justice and hence these notices deserve to be quashed and set aside. Further, petitioners are ready to file their reply and appear before the Gram Panchayat to justify their claim.

3. Considering the submissions, issue **Notice** returnable on **03.02.2026**. No coercive action to be taken against the petitioners in relation to notices dated 15.12.2025 till the next date of hearing. In the meantime, it is open for the petitioners to file reply and respondent – Gram Panchayat may consider granting them personal hearing.

(MAUNA M. BHATT,J)

SHRIJIT PILLAI