

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (SUO MOTU) NO.1 OF 2026

HIGH COURT ON ITS OWN MOTION
(TRAGEDY TAKEN PLACE AT ARPORA IN
A TRAGIC FIRE INCIDENT)

... PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF GOA THROUGH THE CHIEF
SECRETARY AND 57 ORS

... RESPONDENTS

Mr. Rohit Bras De Sa, Advocate, Amicus Curiae.

Mr. Devidas J. Pangam, Sr. Advocate, Advocate General, along with
Mr. Deep Shirodkar, Additional Government Advocate, Advocates
for the Respondent Nos. 1, 2, 4 to 13, 49 and 50.

Mr. Shivan Desai, along with Ms. Maria Viegas, Advocates for the
Respondent Nos. 56 and 57.

Mr. Somnath Karpe, with Mr. Anand Shirodkar and Ms. Samiksha
Vaigankar, Advocates for the Respondent No. 17.

Mr. Devidas J. Pangam, Sr. Advocate, Advocate General, along with
Ms Maria Simone Judith Correia, Additional Government Advocate
for the Respondent Nos. 1 to 5 and 8 to 11, in PILWP(F) 3223/2025.

Mr. Vinoj K. Daniel and Mr. N. Naik, Advocate for the Respondent
No. 18.

Mr. Parag Rao, along with Ms. V. Mahato, Advocates for the
Respondent Nos. 53 and 54.

Mr. B. Oliveira, Advocate for the Respondent No. 38.

Mr. B. Oliveira, Advocate, holding for Mr. Vivek Vas, Advocate for
the Respondent No. 40.

Mr. Varad Deshprabhu, Advocate for the Respondent No. 58.

Mr. Pankaj Pai Vernekar, along with Mr. B. Fatarpekar, Advocates
for the Respondent No. 28.

Mr. Manish Salkar, Government Advocate for the South Goa
Planning and Development Authority.

Mr. Zeller D'Sousa, Advocate for the Respondent No. 35.

Mr. R. Sahakari, Advocate for the Respondent No. 43.

Mr. Hanumant D. Naik, along with Ms. Divya Naik, Advocates for
the Respondent No. 14.

Mr. Ivan Santimano, Advocate for the Respondent No. 42.

Mr. V. Surlakar, Advocate for the Respondent No. 33.

Mr. Sahil Sardessai, Advocate for the Respondent No. 37.

**CORAM:- VALMIKI MENEZES &
AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, JJ.**

DATED :- 5th May, 2026

P.C.: S.O. 15-06-2026.

(FOR REGISTRAR JUDICIAL)