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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA
WRIT PETITION NO.375 OF 2026

JOHN PAIXAO C. F. ROMANO DA SILVA

... PETITIONER

Versus

THE STATE OF GOA THROUGH ITS CHIEF
SECRETARY AND 8 ORS

... RESPONDENTS

Mr. Vivek Rodrigues with Mr. Kevin Braganza, Advocates for the Petitioner.

Mr. Anthony D'Silva with Ms. K. Gracias, Advocates for Respondent No.6.

Mr. Sahil Sardessai (V.C.), Advocate for Respondent No.7.

Mr. Prasheet Arolkar, Additional Government Advocate for the State.

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

DATED :- 6th May, 2026

P.C.:

Heard.

2. The allegations in the petition are that Respondent No.7 has carried out land filling in the land bearing Survey No.352/1-A of Village Curtorim and has constructed a house therein. Mr. Anthony D'Silva, appearing for the Village Panchayat of Curtorim, submits that no permission has been issued authorising the said construction. In this view of the matter, the construction erected by Respondent No.7 is

prima facie illegal.

3. At this stage, Mr. Sahil Sardesai, appearing for Respondent No.7, on instructions, states that no further construction will be carried out in the land bearing Survey No.352/1-A of Village Curtorim. We accept the said statement.

4. We further direct that Respondent No.7 shall not occupy the structure erected in the said survey number, nor shall the Panchayat issue any occupancy certificate or consider any regularisation plan without first applying to this Court prior to taking such steps.

5. List this matter on 24/06/2026.

AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, J. VALMIKI MENEZES, J.