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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

**PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (SUO MOTU) NO.1 OF 2026
WITH
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION WP NO.3223 OF 2025 (F),
MISC.CIVIL APPLICATION NO.1371 OF 2026 (F), MISC.CIVIL
APPLICATION NO.983 OF 2026 (F)**

**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**

**WITH
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION WP NO.3223 OF 2025 (F)
AISHWARYA ARJUN SALGAONKAR ... PETITIONER**
Versus
**THE STATE OF GOA THR ITS CHIEF
SECRETARY AND 12 ORS ... RESPONDENTS**

**WITH
MISC.CIVIL APPLICATION NO.1371 OF 2026 (F)
IN
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (SUO MOTU) NO.1 OF 2026
SIRAJ SADANAND PEDNEKAR ... APPLICANT**
Versus
**THE STATE OF GOA THR. ITS CHIEF
SECRETARY AND 56 ORS. ... RESPONDENTS**

**WITH
MISC.CIVIL APPLICATION NO.983 OF 2026 (F)
IN
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HIGH COURT ON ITS OWN MOTION ... APPLICANT**
Versus
**STATE OF GOA THROUGH THE CHIEF
SECRETARY AND 57 ORS ... RESPONDENTS**

Mr. Rohit Bras De Sa (through V.C.), Advocate - Amicus
Curiae.

Mr. Devidas J. Pangam, Advocate General with Mr. Deep

Shirodkar, Additional Government Advocate for Respondent Nos.1, 2, 4 to 13, 49 and 50.

Mr. Manish Salkar, Government Advocate for Respondent No. 3.

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

Mr. Somnath Karpe with Mr. Anand Shirodkar, Advocates for Respondent No.17.

Mr. Gautam Gaonkar, Advocate for Respondent No. 28.

**CORAM:- VALMIKI MENEZES &
HITEN S. VENEGAVKAR, JJ.**

DATED :- 16th June, 2026

P.C.:

1. Not on Board. Taken on Board.

2. Yesterday i.e. on 15.06.2026, we have listed this matter on 15.07.2026 for hearing the petition insofar as certain reliefs pertaining to the grant of victim's compensation are concerned. Today, learned Amicus Curiae appointed by this Court Mr. Rohit Bras De Sa expressed certain difficulty in continuing with his appointment as Amicus Curiae in this matter and requested this Court to appoint alternate Counsel for this purpose. Considering this request, we appoint Mr. Terrance Sequeira in place of earlier Amicus Curiae Mr. Rohit Bras De Sa. Consequently, Mr. Rohit Bras De Sa is relieved from his appointment as Amicus Curiae in the matter.

3. The matter shall now be heard on 15.07.2026.

HITEN S. VENEGAVKAR, J. VALMIKI MENEZES, J.