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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA**  
**PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION WP NO.3320 OF 2025 (F)**

CHRISTUS LOPES AND ANR

... PETITIONERS

Versus

THE STATE OF GOA THR ITS CHIEF  
SECRETARY AND 5 ORS

... RESPONDENTS

Mr. Nigel Da Costa Frias, Advocate and Mr. Karthik Panchal,  
Advocate for the Petitioners.

Mr. Manish Salkar, Government Advocate for Respondent Nos.  
1, 4, 5 and 7.

Mr. H. D. Naik, Advocate for Respondent No. 2.

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

**DATED :- 22nd April, 2026**

P.C.

1. Leave to amend to implead Water Resources Department as respondent no. 7.
2. Amendment to be carried out forthwith. Mr. Salkar waives service for respondent no. 7.
3. Mr. H. D. Naik, learned counsel, appears on behalf of Respondent no. 2.
4. Affidavit in reply, if any, to be filed within one week from today.

5. Process fees shall be paid for service on respondent nos.3 and 6 within one week from today.
6. If steps are taken, issue notice to respondent nos. 3 and 6 returnable on 05.05.2026.
7. Stand over to 05.05.2026.

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