

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH  
AT JAMMU**

**OWP No. 1502/2018  
CM No. 3915/2024  
IA No. 1/2018**

Markazi Anjuman Islamia  
Bhaderwah Th. Manzoor Ahmed  
Najar

.....Appellant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. M. A. Goni, Sr. Advocate with  
Mr. S. Tanzeel Illahi, Advocate

**vs**

State of J&K and ors.

..... Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Priyanka Bhat, Advocate vice  
Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG  
Ms. Tejasvini Anand, Advocate vice  
Mr. Bhanu Jasrotia, GA  
Mr. Ayjaz Lone, Advocate

**Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNESH OSWAL, JUDGE**

**ORDER**  
**10.03.2025**

**CM No. 3915/2024**

1. This is an application seeking impleadment of the applicant/J&K Waqaf Board, Unit Doda through its Executive Officer as party respondent in the present petition. This application has been filed on the ground that petitioner has arrayed Tehsildar Bhaderwah as respondent No. 5 who at the relevant point was exercising the functions of Administrator Auqaf Bhaderwah. The Waqaf Act, 1995 has been made applicable to J&K, as such, Executive Officer, Waqaf Board Unit Doda who is performing the duties of Administrator Auqaf is required to be arrayed as respondent.

2. Objections have been filed by the petitioner/non-applicant, stating therein that Special Officer Auqaf Jammu and Tehsildar Bhaderwah have already filed reply on behalf of Executive Officer, J&K Waqf Board, Unit Doda and the applicant should not oppose the cause pleaded in the writ petition which stands already replied by the respondent. As SRO No. 45 dated 29.01.2018 issued by respondent No. 1 in terms of Jammu and Kashmir Waqaf Act, 2001 has been impugned and the petitioner is laying claim over the land measuring 115 Kanal 12 Marlas situated in different villages of Tehsil Bhaderwah, therefore, this Court is of the considered view that the applicant is required to be arrayed as party respondent in the present petition.
3. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the applicant/J&K Waqf Board Unit Doda through its Executive Officer is arrayed as respondent No. 7. Registry to update the index accordingly.
4. The application is **disposed of**.
5. Mr. Ayjaz Lone, Advocate seeks time to report instructions as to whether the newly impleaded respondent No. 7 wants to file reply or adopt the reply already filed by the Special Officer Auqaf. Time is granted.
6. List the matter for consideration on **29.04.2025**.
7. Meanwhile, interim direction shall continue.

**(RAJNESH OSWAL)**  
**JUDGE**

**Jammu**  
10.03.2025  
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