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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.S.DIAS

TUESDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF APRIL 2025 / 18TH CHAITHRA, 1947

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PETITIONERS:

- 1 SAGEER RASHID K.A
AGED 26 YEARS
S/O ABDUL SALAM K.A, KIZHAKKEVEETIL,
EDAVANAKKAD, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682502
- 2 RAKESH RAJENDRAN
AGED 50 YEARS
S/O.LATE N. RAJENDRAN, RESIDING AT FLAT NO. D
704, TEERTH TOWERS, D WING, NEAR VIBGYOR SCHOOL,
BANER-SUS ROAD, PASHAM, PUNE, PIN - 411021
- 3 KOVILAKATH VENUGOPAL
AGED 71 YEARS
S/O PALLATH NARAYANAMEDN, SREEPADAM, 50/628,
MAGAYIL LANE, PETTAH, POONITHURA, ERNAKULAM, PIN
- 682038
- 4 PRADEEP KUMAR SRINIVASAN KOSSERY
AGED 70 YEARS
S/O SRINIVASAN KOSSERY, 7E, CLEARWAY FLATS,
KUMARAN ASAN ROAD, KUMARAN ASAN NAGAR,
KADAVANTHRA, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682020
- 5 JOHN PARAYIL JOSEPH
AGED 70 YEARS
S/O PARAYIL JOSEPH JOHN,TC 31/1051-1, PARAVIL,
PADMAVILASOM LANE, MANNAMMOOLA ROAD PEROORKADA,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695005
- 6 SASI S C
AGED 66 YEARS



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**SASI S C, S/O CHITHAMBARAN, 50/52B (JCRA 199)
SRAMBIKAL HOUSE, JAWAN CROSS ROAD, PONEKKARA,
EDAPALLY, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682041**

- 7 LAKSHMI NARAYANAN
AGED 58 YEARS
D/O SVARAMAKRISHNAN, SREE KRISHNA VIHAR, AZAD
JUNCTION, TRIPUNITHURA EROOR SOUTH, ERNAKULAM,
PIN - 682306**
- 8 ARUN MAGANLAL JOSHI
AGED 62 YEARS
S/O MAGANLAL JOSHI, 5/699, C-7 GUJARATHI ROAD,
MATTANCHERRY, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682002**
- 9 P T GEORGE KUTTY
AGED 74 YEARS
S/O PULIKKAPLAVILAYIL GEEVARGHESE THOMAS,
PULIKKAPLAVILAYIL, SRA 71, LIBRARY ROAD,
NALANCHIRA KURISADI, THIRUVANTHAPURAM, PIN -
695015**
- 10 GABRIEL ANAND PAUL
AGED 50 YEARS
S/O VAZHAPPILLIL PATHROSE POULOSE, VAZHAPPILIL
PALLIPPURAM VILLAGE, CHERAI, PARAVUR, ERNAKULAM,
PIN - 683514**
- 11 B SOMASEKHARA WARRIER
AGED 75 YEARS
S/O BALAKRISHNA WARRIER KRISHNA WARRIER, AGED
75, 4B1, ARTECH ROHINI, THOPPUMUKKU,
VATTIYOORKAVU PO, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN -
695013**
- 12 VIJAYAGOPAL N
AGED 63 YEARS
S/O NEELAKANTA PILLAI, SUKRUTHAM, POONITHURA
KOTTARAM ROAD, POONITHURA S O ERNAKULAM, PIN -
682038**
- 13 CHACKOCHAN M
AGED 77 YEARS
S/O MATHEW, THENGUMVILA HOUSE NO 11, NPP NAGAR,**



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**FIRST LANE, PERURKADA PO, THIRUVANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 695005**

- 14 ALICE RAJAN
AGED 77 YEARS
ALICE RAJAN D/O ISSAC, JAIRAMPUR, GHOSIA, AURAI,
SANT RAVIDAS NAGAR, UTTAR PRADEESH, PIN - 221301**
- 15 GEORGE ABRAHAM
AGED 46 YEARS
S/O K I ABRAHAM, KOORAN PULIYAPPILLY THURAVOOR,
ALUVA, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 683572**
- 16 JAINAMMA SABU
AGED 79 YEARS
D/O CHERIAN CHOORAPAIKATHAKADIYEL VARKEY,
PLATHOTTAM, KURUVAMOOZHY, KOOVAPALLY PO,
KOTTAYAM, PIN - 686518**
- 17 K J ALEX
AGED 79 YEARS
S/O KONNOTH CHANDI JOSEPH, DOOR NO A3, VESTA
ENCLAVE, ST. BENADICT ROAD, ERNAKULAM, PIN -
682018**
- 18 DARREL GONSALVEZ
AGED 69 YEARS
S/O JOSEPH GONSALVEZ , TOWNSEND AVE. GLADSTONE
PARK, VICTORIA -3043, AUSTRALIA, REPRESENTED BY
POA JOSEPH CHIRSTOPHAR HURTIS,4/1014, ABBAS
HOUSE, THOPPIL ROAD, NEAR POPULAR CANDLE
INDUSTRIES EDAPALLY, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682024**
- 19 MURALI MANOHAR G G
AGED 54 YEARS
S/O GOKULAN, GOKULALAYAM, 261/111 KUMBALAM,
PANANGAD, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682506**
- 20 SONY JOY
AGED 48 YEARS
S/O JOY MENACHERY, MENACHERY HOUSE, NEAR
NARAKKAL POLICE STATION, NJARACKAL ERNAKULAM,
PIN - 682505**



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- 21 **BHADRA NARENDRA SHAH**
AGED 67 YEARS
D/O FULCHAND SHAMJI, 5 /699 B-1 LAKSHMI
APARTMENT GUJARATHI ROAD, MATTANCHERRY,
ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682002
- 22 **SHANAWAZ KE**
AGED 64 YEARS
S/O EBRAHIM KE, 33/432 THE NEST GREEN GARDENS
KALLIKKAD PIRIYARI, TIRUNILAYI, PALAKKAD, PIN -
678004
- 23 **P N NARAYANAN**
AGED 64 YEARS
S/O PUTHUCODE KRISHNAIYER NARAYANASWAMY, SREE
KRISHNA VIHAR, AZAD JUNCTION, TRIPUNITHURA EROOR
SOUTH, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682306
- 24 **VINAYA JAMES**
AGED 41 YEARS
D/O JAMES PEREPARAMBIL JOSEPH, PEREPARAMBIL
HOUSE KODUVAZHANGA, ALANGAD, ERNAKULAM, PIN -
683511
- 25 **PUSHPA JAMES**
AGED 69 YEARS
D/O PAILI THOMAS, PEREPARAMBIL HOUSE
KODUVAZHANGA, ALANGAD, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 683511
- 26 **VALSAMMA**
AGED 64 YEARS
D/O MATHAI, CHENNELIL BETHEL HOUSE, POLICODU,
VAYAKKAL, VALAKAM, VAYAKKAI, KOLLAM -, PIN -
691532
- 27 **SANTHOSH KUMAR**
AGED 54 YEARS
S/O GOPALAKRISHNA KURUP, SANTHOSH VIHAR, ANAYADI
PO, SOORANADU NORTH, KOLLAM -, PIN - 690522
- 28 **PHILIP ABRAHAM**
AGED 58 YEARS
S/O T V ABRAHAM, THEKKINETHU HOUSE, KONNI PO,
MANGARAM, KONNI, PATHANAMTHITTA -, PIN - 689691



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- 29 **FOUSIYA PA**
AGED 53 YEARS
D/O ABDUL KHADER, BUSHLA MANZIL, MUNDERI PO,
MUNDERI, EACHUR, KANNUR -, PIN - 670591
- 30 **MATHEW KA**
AGED 62 YEARS
S/O ABRAHAM KAKKANATT , KAANTE HOUSE, THERMALA,
VELLAD POST, ALAKODE, KANNUR -, PIN - 670571
- 31 **GOPI KRISHNAN G**
AGED 69 YEARS
GOPI KRISHNAN G S/O ANNAMALAI GANAPATHY NADAR,
38/2766 A1 SAKTHI HOUSE, KATHRIKKADAVU F M ROAD,
ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682017
- 32 **PRAKASH N S**
AGED 53 YEARS
S/O N V SADANADAN,, NINDASTHALATH, KUZHUPPILLY,
ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682501
- 33 **DISHA ANKIT SHAH**
AGED 63 YEARS
D/O NARENDRA A SHAH, B/109, OM RINKOO CHS,
SAWARKAR ROAD, DOMBIVALI EAST, KALYAN, THANE -,
PIN - 421201
- 34 **RAJESH RAJENDRAN**
AGED 54 YEARS
S/O N RAJENDRAN, 10/876, DEEPA MANDIR, DARSHANA
LANE, KARUVELIPADY, THOPPUMPADY, ERNAKULAM, PIN
- 682005
- 35 **T K MOHAMED ANSAR**
AGED 66 YEARS
S/O KADER KUTTY, 4/834, ZERIN MUNDOCK, NEAR
MUNDOCK TEMPLE, MAHE PUDUCHERRY PIN, PIN -
673310
- 36 **ANISH ARAVIND**
AGED 53 YEARS
S/O ARAVINDAKSHAN KUNJIRAMAN, SP 10/377-5,



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**SOUPARNIKA THEVANKOTTUKONAM, NEAR SOUTH INDIAN
BANK, AIYROORPARA, IROOPARA, THIRUVANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 695584**

- 37 ANJU B SHAH
AGED 63 YEARS
D/O BAKUL VASANTLAL SHAH, 6/2136 SAGAR HOUSE,
GUJRATHI ROAD, MATTENCHERRY, ERNAKULAM -, PIN -
682002**
- 38 SREELEKHA L B
AGED 54 YEARS
GOKULAYAM, D/O BALAKRISHNAN, 261/111, KUMBALAM,
PANANGAD, ERNAKULAM -, PIN - 682506**
- 39 THANKACHAN M J
AGED 68 YEARS
S/O JOHN MATHAI MUTTANOLIL , MUTTANOLIL,
THIRUMARADY PO, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 686662**
- 40 SADANANDA MOHAN KUMAR KAMATH
AGED 66 YEARS
SADANANDA MOHAN KUMAR KAMATH S/O SADANANDA
KAMATH, GANGOTHRI MUPPATHADAM, SANTHI NAGAR,
KADUNGALLOOR, MUPPATHADAM, ERNAKULAM -, PIN -
683110**
- 41 CHIRAYATH JOSEPH VINCENT
AGED 73 YEARS
S/O CHIRAYATH PAULOSE JOSEPH, CHIRAYATH
CHELIPARAMBIL, POTTA, THRISSUR, PIN - 680722**
- 42 PREMA KISHORE
AGED 66 YEARS
D/O RAMAN D202, MANTRI SERENITY
DODDAKALLASANDRA, BENGALURU REPRESENTED BY POA
HARI SANKAR M, S/O MANI MANU BHAVAN, KALAPURAKAL
ROAD, NEAR HARITHA NAGAR CUSAT PO, ERNAKULAM,
PIN - 682022**
- 43 KISHORE SUBRAMANYAM IYER
AGED 73 YEARS
S/O THEKEMADOM VENKATACHALAM SUBRAMANYAM, T C -
1-191, KALYAN EXTENSION, PUSHPAGIRI, PUNKUNNAM,**



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**THRISSUR REPRESENTED BY POA HARI SANKAR M, S/O
MANI, MANU BHAVAN, KALAPURAKAL ROAD, NEAR
HARITHA NAGAR CUSAT PO, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682022**

- 44 GEORGE ITTAN MARAMKANDATHIL
AGED 65 YEARS
S/O M M GEROGGE, MULAPPURAM, THODUPUZHA IDUKKI,
PIN - 685581**
- 45 ROSHAN GEORGE
AGED 58 YEARS
D/O JACOB VARGHESE, 35/1943-G 13, VILLA NO.7,
SKYLINE ELYSIUM GARDENS, STADIUM LINK ROAD,
KALOOR, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682017**
- 46 JOSHY THOMAS
AGED 59 YEARS
S/O THOMAS, NJAVALLY KOONTHANATHU HOUSE,
KARIMKUNNAM PO, THODUPUZHA, IDUKKI, PIN - 685586**
- 47 BINDU THOMAS
AGED 52 YEARS
D/O THOMAS, KUNNATHKUZHI ROSE GARDENCE
KALLEKKULANGARA PO, AKATHETHARA (PART)
KALLEKULANGARA, PALAKKAD, PIN - 678009**
- 48 V A VICTORIA
AGED 62 YEARS
D/O MARCELLIN AUGUSTINE, 16/761, VAVAKKATT
HOUSE, INDIRA JUNCTION, THOPPUMPADY, ERNAKULAM,
PIN - 682005**
- 49 DEEPA PAUL
AGED 47 YEARS
D/O PAUL, 36/2297 MUKKADAYIL AZAD ROAD, KALOOR,
ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682017**
- 50 SRI. SHIJU S K
AGED 52 YEARS
S/O SEBASTAIN, SASTHAMKUNNEL, UDUMBANNOOR
THODUPUZHA, PIN - 685595**



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- 51 V V VANAJAMMA
 AGED 77 YEARS
 D/O VENKITTAREMANAN , 55/41A ANJANEYAM
 PARAMBITHARA ROAD, NEAR SOUTH OVER BRIDGE,
 PANAMPILLY NAGAR, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682036
- 52 THOMAS MATHEW
 AGED 68 YEARS
 S/O MATHEW, KOKKAYIL P G HOUSE MARKET ROAD,
 ADOOR, PATHANAMTHITTA, PIN - 691523
- 53 BEENA AUSTIN
 AGED 67 YEARS
 D/O JOSEPH JOSEPH ABEN, VILLA NO 7, SYNTHITE
 GINGER COUNTY PUTHENCROUZ, ERNAKULAM, PIN -
 682308

BY ADVS.
R.PADMARAJ
JOMY GEORGE
SAJEEVAN V.T.
DEEPAK MOHAN
R.AJITH KUMAR [V.K.EDOM]
ARJUN S. PRAKASH
ANAND SASIDHARAN
SREEDEVI V.S.

RESPONDENT:

INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND AUTHORITY
(IEPF)
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS, GROUND FLOOR,
JEEVAN VIHAR BUILDING, 3 SANSAD MARG, NEW
DELHI , REPRESENTED BY ITS CHAIRPERSON., PIN -
110001

BY ADVS.
C.DINESH
P.R.AJITH KUMAR



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**THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON
08.04.2025, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:**



C.S.DIAS,J

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Dated this the 8th day of April, 2025

JUDGMENT

The writ petition is filed to direct the competent authority of the respondent to take a decision on the applications submitted by the petitioners, expeditiously.

2. The petitioners are the claimants before the respondent. The shares and unclaimed dividends of the petitioners in various listed companies were transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund ('IEPF', in short) as per Section 124 (5) & (6) of the Companies Act, 2013, as they remained unclaimed in the unpaid dividend account of the respective companies for a period of seven years. Proviso to Sub-section (6) of Section 124 provides that any



shares transferred as above, the claimants would be entitled to claim the transfer of amount from IEPF to their accounts. As per Rule 7(3) of the IEPF Rules, the company shall, within thirty days from the date of receipt of claim, send an offline verification report to the Authority after verifying the details in Form No.IEPF-5. As per Rule 7(4), the Authority on receipt of the verification report from the respective companies shall order the refund of the amounts claimed, by crediting the amounts to the DEMAT accounts of the claimants. Rule 7(6) mandates that the Authority shall dispose off the refund claims within sixty days. As per Exts.P1 and P2 status reports published in the website of the Ministry of the Corporate Affairs, it is seen that the status of Form IEPF filed by the claimants is neither approved nor under the status of under process. The applications



are pending for nearly two years now. There is inaction on the part the respondent. Hence, the writ petition.

3. Heard; the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Senior Panel Counsel appearing for the respondent.

4. On a consideration of the facts and the materials on record, especially Exts.P1 and P2 status reports which show that the petitioners' applications are pending consideration before the respondent for nearly two years and the time period stipulated under Rule 7(6) of the Rules, without expressing anything on the merits of the applications, I am of the view that the respondent is to be directed to consider the petitioners' claim petitions, expeditiously.

In the aforesaid circumstances, I dispose of the writ petition, by directing the competent authority of the respondent to consider and dispose off the claim petitions filed by the petitioners, in accordance with



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law and as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within 90 days from the date of receipt of a copy of the judgment.

The writ petition is ordered accordingly.

Sd/-

C.S.DIAS, JUDGE

SCB.08.04.25.



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APPENDIX OF WP(C) 10247/2025

PETITIONER EXHIBITS

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| Exhibit P1 | TRUE COPY OF THE STATUS REPORT
DOWNLOADED FROM THE MCA WEBSITE WITH
REGARD TO THE PETITIONERS WHICH ARE IN
'APPROVED' STATUS |
| Exhibit P2 | TRUE COPY OF THE STATUS REPORT OF
CLAIMS WHICH ARE IN 'UNDER PROCESS'
STATUS |
| Exhibit P3 | TRUE COPY OF ONLINE VERIFICATION REPORT
OF IEPF FORM-5 BY THE NODAL OFFICER OF
THE COMPANY WITH REGARD TO 16TH
PETITIONER |