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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.NAGARESH

MONDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF MARCH 2025 / 12TH PHALGUNA, 1946

WP(C) NO. 30631 OF 2024

PETITIONER:

**SRUTHY A.S.
AGED 20 YEARS
D/O. ANILKUMAR B.,
3RD SEMESTER STUDENT,
BA JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION,
MAR IVANIOS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS),
NALANCHIRA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DISTRICT,
PIN: 695 015.,
RESIDING AT KIZHAKKE MUNDARA,
MARANGATTUKONAM, VALAKOM P.O.,
KOTTARAKKARA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DISTRICT,
PIN - 691532**

**BY ADVS.
SAJITH KUMAR V.
VIVEK A.V.
AMMU M.
SREEHARI V.S.**

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 THE UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
REPRESENTED BY ITS REGISTRAR,
SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS, PALAYAM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 694034**



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- 2 THE VICE CHANCELLOR
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA, SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS,
PALAYAM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 694034
- 3 THE RETURNING OFFICER
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA,
SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS, PALAYAM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 694034
- 4 THE REGISTRAR
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA, SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS,
PALAYAM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 694034
- 5 NIKHIL M.
III SEMESTER, B.COM.,
UNIVERSITY UNION COUNSELLOR,
VTMNSS COLLEGE, DHANUVACHAPURAM,
PIN - 695503

BY ADV
THOMAS ABRAHAM, STANDING COUNSEL

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD
ON 03.03.2025, ALONG WITH WP(C).33910/2024 AND CONNECTED
CASES, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:



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PETITIONERS:

- 1 SALMAN FARIS M.A
 AGED 23 YEARS
 S/O ABDUL RAHIMAN M.M., MANAPPURATH HOUSE,
 EDAYAPPURAM, ALUVA P.O.,
 ERNAKULAM DISTRICT, PIN - 683101**

- 2 SIMJO SAMUEL ZACHARIAH
 AGED 29 YEARS
 S/O A.M. SAMUEL, ARUNALAYAM,
 ERAVANKARA P.O., MAVELIKARA,
 ALAPPUZHA DISTRICT, PIN - 690108**

**BY ADVS.
NISHA GEORGE
GEORGE POONTHOTTAM (SR.)
A.L.NAVANEETH KRISHNAN
SIDHARTH.R.WARIYAR**

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 THE UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
 SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS, PALAYAM,
 THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,**



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**REPRESENTED BY ITS REGISTRAR,
PIN - 695034**

**2 THE VICE CHANCELLOR
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA, SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS,
PALAYAM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 695034**

**3 THE RETURNING OFFICER/ REGISTRAR
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA, SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS,
PALAYAM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 695034**

**BY ADV
THOMAS ABRAHAM, STANDING COUNSEL**

**THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR
ADMISSION ON 03.03.2025, ALONG WITH WP(C).30631/2024,
42966/2024, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:**



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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.NAGARESH

MONDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF MARCH 2025 / 12TH PHALGUNA, 1946

WP(C) NO. 42966 OF 2024

PETITIONERS:

- 1 JUFAIN N
AGED 22 YEARS
III SEMESTER, M.COM FINANCE IQBAL COLLEGE,
PERINGAMMALA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM
RESIDING AT 5/90, RODUVILA PUTHENVEEDU,
MUKKADA, MARUTHIKUNNU P.O.,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695603**

- 2 AMRITA PRIYA B.S
AGED 20 YEARS
D/O. BIJU, V SEM BA HISTORY UNIVERSITY COLLEGE,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM
RESIDING AT AMRITHALEKSHMI,
MANAKKARA, SASTHAMKOTTA, SASTHAMKOTTA P.O.,
KOLLAM, PIN - 690521**

**BY ADVS.
N.ANAND
RAJESH O.N.
ROY ANTONY**



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RESPONDENTS:

- 1 THE UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS, PALAYAM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM
REPRESENTED BY ITS REGISTRAR,
PIN - 695034
- 2 THE VICE CHANCELLOR
THE UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS, PALAYAM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695034
- 3 THE REGISTRAR
THE UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS, PALAYAM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, PIN - 695034
- 4 THE RETURNING OFFICER
THE UNIVERSITY OF KERALA SENATE HOUSE CAMPUS,
PALAYAM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
PIN - 695034

BY ADV
THOMAS ABRAHAM, STANDING COUNSEL

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR
ADMISSION ON 03.03.2025, ALONG WITH WP(C).33910/2024 AND
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JUDGMENT

Dated this the 3rd day of March, 2025

[W.P.(C) Nos.30631, 33910 & 42966 of 2024]

These writ petitions have been filed challenging the election to the University Union and University Senate of the Kerala University. It is alleged that after the election to the College Unions, during the conduct of Senate Elections, there were ruckus and violence, which resulted in destruction of important documents like ballot papers relating to the election to the University Union as well as to the Senate. Though the results were declared in respect of University Union, the election to the Senate was stalled.

2. Initially, a Committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor to enquire into the violence had opined that since results were declared in the University Unions, the Union can be permitted to function and election to the Senate alone need



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to be cancelled / deferred. However, finally the University Vice Chancellor now come to a decision to conduct fresh election to the University Union as well as Senate, predominantly for the reason that the University will not be able to defend any election petitions that may be filed, in the absence of relevant records relating the election. Accordingly, Notification No.Election/GC-KUU/2024-2025 dated 27.02.2025 has been published reconstituting the General Council.

In view of the reconstitution of General Council, no further orders are required in these writ petitions. These writ petitions are accordingly closed permitting the University of Kerala to proceed with election to the University Union and Senate.

Sd/-

N.NAGARESH
JUDGE

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APPENDIX OF WP(C) 30631/2024

PETITIONER EXHIBITS

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| Exhibit P1 | A TRUE COPY OF THE NOTIFICATION NO. ELECTION/KUU/2023-24 DATED 13.08.2024 |
| Exhibit P2 | A TRUE COPY OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL PUBLISHED ON 05.08.2024 BY THE 3RD RESPONDENT |
| Exhibit P3 | A TRUE COPY OF THE NOTIFICATION NO. ELECTION/S/SC/2023-24 DATED 13.08.2024 |
| Exhibit P4 | A TRUE COPY OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL DATED 05.08.2024 PUBLISHED BY THE 3RD RESPONDENT |
| Exhibit P5 | A TRUE COPY OF THE BYE-LAWS OF THE KERALA UNIVERSITY UNION FOR STUDENTS |
| Exhibit P6 | A TRUE COPY OF THE RELEVANT PAGES OF THE BYELAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KERALA CONSTITUTION FOR COLLEGE UNIONS PUBLISHED ON BEHALF OF THE 1ST RESPONDENT |
| Exhibit P7 | A TRUE COPY OF THE ELECTION NOTIFICATION ISSUED AS PER COMMUNICATION NO. ELECTION/CU/2023-24 DATED 11.10.2023 BY THE 4TH RESPONDENT |



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APPENDIX OF WP(C) 33910/2024

PETITIONER EXHIBITS

- Exhibit -P1** TRUE COPY OF UNIVERSITY NOTIFICATION NO. ELECTION/KUU/S/SC/2023-24 DATED 31.08.2024 ISSUED BY THE 3RD RESPONDENT, BY ORDER OF THE 2ND RESPONDENT
- Exhibit -P2** TRUE COPY OF THE NOTIFICATION NO. ELECTION/S/SC/2023-24 DATED 09.09.2024 ISSUED BY THE 2ND RESPONDENT
- Exhibit -P3** TRUE COPY OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL DATED 05.08.2024 PUBLISHED BY THE 3RD RESPONDENT
- Exhibit -P4** TRUE COPY OF REPRESENTATION DATED 12.09.2024 SUBMITTED BY THE 2ND PETITIONER ALONG WITH THE MODEL TABULATION SHEET ATTACHED TO THE REPRESENTATION
- Exhibit -P5** TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER NO.AD.A1/2/2024 DATED 19.09.2024 PASSED BY THE 1ST RESPONDENT UNIVERSITY

RESPONDENT EXHIBITS

- EXHIBIT R1(a)** THE TRUE COPY OF THE LETTER DATED 27/9/2024 SENT BY THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM CITY TO THE REGISTRAR, UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
- EXHIBIT R1(b)** THE TRUE COPY OF THE LETTER DATED 7/10/2024 SENT BY THE REGISTRAR TO THE CANTONMENT POLICE INTIMATING THE



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DAMAGE AND LOSS IN RESPECT OF THE ELECTRICAL ITEMS AND PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM IN ADDITION TO THE BALLOT BOXES AND PLASTIC TRAYS ETC

EXHIBIT R1(c) THE TRUE COPY OF THE LETTER DATED 7/10/2024 SENT BY THE REGISTRAR TO THE CANTONMENT POLICE INTIMATING THE DAMAGE AND LOSS IN RESPECT OF SEATS, WALL PARTITION, PAINTING ETC.

ANNEXURE R1(a) THE TRUE COPY OF THE INQUIRY REPORT ON ALLEGATIONS AND COMPLAINTS PERTAINING TO UNIVERSITY STUDENT ELECTIONS AND OTHER ELECTION DISPUTES, BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE ON STUDENT DISCIPLINE HELD ON 03/01/2025

Exhibit R2A THE TRUE COPY OF THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE ENQUIRY COMMITTEE

Exhibit R2B TRUE COPY OF THE FIR NO 0961 OF 2024 OF THIRUVANANTHAPURAM CITY POLICE STATION



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APPENDIX OF WP(C) 42966/2024

PETITIONERS' EXHIBITS

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| Exhibit P1 | A TRUE COPY OF THE ELECTION NOTIFICATION DATED 13.08.2024 ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO. 4 IN NO. ELECTION/KUU/2023-24 |
| Exhibit P2 | A TRUE COPY OF THE ELECTION NOTIFICATION DATED 13.08.2024 ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO. 4 IN NO. ELECTION/S/SC/2023-24 |
| Exhibit P3 | A TRUE COPY OF THE LIST OF VALIDLY NOMINATED CANDIDATES PUBLISHED BY RESPONDENT NO. 4 DATED 07.09.2024 IN NO. ELECTION/KUU/2023-24 |
| Exhibit P4 | A TRUE COPY OF THE NOTIFICATION DATED 07.09.2024 IN NO. ELECTION/S/SC/2023-24 ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO. 4 |
| Exhibit P5 | A TRUE COPY OF FIR NO. 0961/2024 DATED 12.09.2024 BEFORE THE CANTONMENT POLICE STATION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM |
| Exhibit P6 | A TRUE COPY OF FIR NO. 0959 /2024 DATED 12.09.2024 BEFORE THE CANTONMENT POLICE STATION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM |
| Exhibit P7 | A TRUE COPY OF THE COUNTER AFFIDAVIT DATED 26.10.2024 FILED BY RESPONDENT NO. 4 IN W.P.(C) NO. 33910 OF 2024 |
| Exhibit P8 | A TRUE COPY OF THE REPRESENTATION DATED 18.11.2024 PREFERRED BY PETITIONER NO. 1 TO RESPONDENT NO. 2 |



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Exhibit P9 **A TRUE COPY OF THE REPRESENTATION
DATED 18.11.2024 PREFERRED BY
PETITIONER NO. 2 TO RESPONDENT NO. 2**

RESPONDENT ANNEXURES

ANNEXURE R1(a) **THE TRUE COPY OF THE INQUIRY REPORT ON
ALLEGATIONS AND COMPLAINTS PERTAINING
TO UNIVERSITY STUDENT ELECTIONS AND
OTHER ELECTION DISPUTES, BY THE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE ON
STUDENT DISCIPLINE HELD ON 03/01/2025**

Exhibit R2A **THE TRUE COPY OF THE REPORT SUBMITTED
BY THE ENQUIRY COMMITTEE**

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OF THIRUVANANTHAPURAM CITY POLICE
STATION**