

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

CIVIL APPEAL NOS.1474-1475 OF 2000

STATE OF KERALA & ORS

Appellant (s)

VERSUS

JOSEPH KURIAN & ANR

Respondent(s)

(With office report)

WITH Civil Appeal Nos.1476-1478 of 2000

(With office report)

Civil Appeal No.1479 of 2000

(With office report)

Civil Appeal No.1480 of 2000

(With office report)

Civil Appeal No.1481-1482 of 2000

(With office report)

S.L.P. (C) No.3180 of 2000

(With prayer for interim relief)

Date: 06/02/2007 These Appeals/Petition were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE B.N. AGRAWAL

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.P. NAOLEKAR

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R.V. RAVEENDRAN

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For Respondent(s) Mr. Ramesh Babu M.R., Adv.

Ms. Malini Poduval, Adv.

Mr. M.T. George, Adv.

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Mr. T.L.V. Iyer, Sr. Adv.

Mr. P.V. Dinesh, Adv.

UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

Leave granted in S.L.P. (C) No.3180 of 2000.

The civil appeals are disposed of.

No costs.

[ T.I. Rajput ]

[ Om Prakash ]

A.R.-cum-P.S.

Court Master

[Signed order is placed on the file]

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Civil Appeal Nos.1479/2000, 1476-  
1478/2000,1480/2000,1481-1482/2000 and Civil Appeal  
No.601/2007 @ S.L.P. (C) No.3180/2000

O R D E R

Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

Leave granted in Special leave Petition (C) No.3180 of

2000.

These appeals have been filed against different judgements rendered by the High Court of Kerala declaring the purchases of lands made by the respondents to be invalid and directing the authorities to take immediate possession of the lands from them.

Mr. T.L.V. Iyer, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State in support of the appeals, stated that the Kerala Legislature has made amendment in the Kerala Land Reforms Act by the Kerala Land Reforms (Amendment) Act, 2005, whereby

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Section 7-E and other provisions have been inserted in the Act.

Learned counsel stated that, in view of the Amending Act, the State intends to re-open the proceedings and pass appropriate orders therein in accordance with the provisions of the Amending Act. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents also stated that they would also take similar steps in accordance with the provisions of the Amending Act. Let it be so done. In view of the stand taken by the State, we need not pass any further orders. The State may take appropriate steps in the contempt petitions pending in the High Court.

The civil appeals are, accordingly, disposed of.

No costs.

.....J.  
[B.N. AGRAWAL]

.....J.  
[P.P. NAOLEKAR]

.....J.  
[R.V. RAVEENDRAN]

New Delhi,  
February 06, 2007.