

ITEM NO.9

COURT NO.13

SECTION II-D

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

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s).3111/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 11-02-2026 in BA No.563/2026 passed by the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam]

ATHUL THOMAS

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF KERALA AND ANR.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 55345/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

IA No. 55347/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 08-05-2026 This matter was called for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHSANUDDIN AMANULLAH

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R. MAHADEVAN

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O R D E R

Heard learned senior counsel/counsel for the parties.

2. In view of our previous order dated 02.04.2026, an affidavit has been filed on behalf of the respondent no.1-State of Kerala. We

find the same to be thoroughly unsatisfactory as the basic point, as to why, immediately upon receipt of the complaint filed by the petitioner, a formal FIR was not registered, has not been answered, despite it being an admitted fact that the complaint sent through the post was received by the Assistant Commissioner of Police, District Ernakulam, Kerala on 08.01.2026.

3. Accordingly, we direct the Assistant Commissioner of Police, District Ernakulam, Kerala, to be personally present before the Court on 15.05.2026, when the matter be listed at the top of the Board, to explain, as to why, upon receipt of the complaint through post, no formal FIR was registered.

4. The interim protection granted to the petitioner earlier by this Court on 19.02.2026, to continue till the next date of listing.

(SAPNA BISHT)
COURT MASTER (SH)

(ANJALI PANWAR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR