

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

Civil Appeal No(s). 1553/2012

AMBIKA KUMARY & ORS.

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF KERALA . THE CHIEF SECRETARY & ORS.

Respondent(s)

O R D E R

1. Heard the learned senior counsel for the appellant(s) as also the learned counsel appearing for the respondent(s) and perused the appeal papers.

2. An application filed by the appellant(s) herein, contesting the jurisdiction of the Permanent Lok Adalat was initially dismissed and that decision was consistently upheld all through.

3. Leave was granted in the instant case on 30.01.2012.

4. In the meanwhile, after the decision of this Court in Canara Bank Versus G.S. Jayarama 2022(7) SSC 776, there is no doubt about the jurisdiction that the Permanent Lok Adalat may exercise. This is the statement of the learned counsel for the appellant(s) and concurred by all the counsels appearing for the respondent(s).

5. The claimant(s) are not represented before us. We would however, direct the Permanent Lok Adalat to take up the matter at the earliest and render a final decision, in accordance with law, within a period of three months from the date of

receipt of a copy of this Order. The Permanent Lok Adalat may, first exercise its jurisdiction to bring about a settlement between the parties and thereafter determine the case and pass final orders in accordance with law.

6. The copy of the Order be sent to the Permanent Lok Adalat for immediate action.

7. If the claimant is unrepresented before the Permanent Lok Adalat, summons be issued to them.

8. The appeal is dismissed with the above referred directions.

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

.....J.  
(PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA)

.....J.  
( SANDEEP MEHTA)

New Delhi  
December 07, 2023

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SECTION XI-A

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
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Date : 07-12-2023 This appeal was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MEHTA

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Ms. Meena K Poullose, Adv.

Mr. Santosh Krishnan, AOR  
Ms. Sonam Anand, Adv.  
Ms. Deepshikha Sansanwal, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

The appeal is dismissed in terms of the signed order.

Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(NISHA KHULBEY)  
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

(DIPTI KHURANA)  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

(signed order is placed on the file)