

ITEM NO.72

COURT NO.7

SECTION II-D

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

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (CrL.) No.7391/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 31-01-2026 in BA No. 14455/2025 passed by the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam]

ARUN SUGUNAN & ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF KERALA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

IA No. 124730/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No. 125989/2026
- PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

Date : 24-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. S Nagamuthu, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Shreyash Kaushal, Adv.
Mr. Bilal Mansoor, Adv.
Mr. Manu Krishnan G, AOR
Ms. Smrithi V S, Adv.

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Harshad V. Hameed, Adv.

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

1. Heard Mr. S. Nagamuthu, the learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioners and Mr. Harshad V. Hameed, the learned counsel appearing for the State.
2. Issue notice returnable on 14.5.2026.
3. We direct the petitioners to appear before the Investigating Officer (I.O.) for the purpose of their interrogation and join the investigation.
4. However, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioners by the Investigating Officer till further orders from this Court. We expect the petitioners to produce all relevant documents in their possession to facilitate the I.O. for effective investigation into the FIR in question. They will appear before the I.O. on 27.4.2026.
5. If the petitioners fail to appear, we shall decline to entertain this petition on merits and also pass an order for Look Out Notice.

(CHANDRESH)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)