

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(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 32186/2025  
[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 07-02-2025  
in OPKAT No. 275/2022 passed by the High Court of Kerala at  
Ernakulam]

SHIBU TA &amp; ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF KERALA &amp; ORS.

Respondent(s)

WITH

SLP(C) No. 33003/2025 (XI-B)

SLP(C) No. 33072/2025 (XI-B)

FOR ADMISSION and I.R.

SLP(C) No. 32088/2025 (XI-B)

SLP(C) No. 33262/2025 (XI-B)

SLP(C) No. 32092/2025 (XI-B)

Diary No(s). 14882/2026 (XI-B)

(IA No. 79549/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING AND  
IA No. 79550/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 20-04-2026 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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

1. Vide order dated 21.11.2025 we appointed Ms. Sangeeta Nenwani, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.1, Ms. Revati Pravin Kharde, learned counsel on behalf of respondent nos. 5 & 6, Mr.Madhuraj Singh Ind, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.8, Ms. Suramyia Srivastava, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.11, Mr. Shantanu, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.13, Mr. Manoj Kumar, learned counsel on behalf of respondent nos.nos.15-18, Ms. Priya Sharma, learned counsel on behalf of respondent nos.34-35, Mr. Abhiyudaya Vats, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 40, Mr. Vishwa Dev Sarraf, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 43, Mr. Tanish Rawat, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 45, Mr. Merin Francis, learned counsel on behalf of respondent nos. 48-50, Ms. Akriti Chaubey, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 51, Ms. Geeta Shakya, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 53, Ms. Pooja Agrawal, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 55, Ms. Apurva Sachdev, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 58, Mr. Vinayak Sharda, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 59, Mr. Ajay Prabu S, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 62, Mr. R. Sowmyanarayanan, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 64, Ms. Sagun Srivastava, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 66, Mr. Ashish Kumar Chaurasiya, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 68, Ms.Smriti V.S., learned counsel on behalf of respondent no. 73, Mr. Rahul Tainguria, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.74,

Ms. Shweth Garg, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.76, Mr.Saaransh Shukla, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.77 and Mr. Chinmoy 5 Chaitanya, learned counsel on behalf of respondent no.82 as amici curiae. They have filed their status report. We appreciate the efforts put in thus far, by learned amici curiae.

2. We notice that these respondents are now represented through duly engaged counsel, some of whom have also preferred their individual petition(SLP).

3. The learned amici curiae shall continue to assist the Court.

4. We notice that as per the office report, respondent nos. 4 & 41 in SLP (C) No. 32186/2025 have yet not been served. Let fresh steps for service on the said respondents be taken. In the event steps being taken, issue fresh notice on respondent nos.4 & 41. Dasti, in addition, is also permitted. In the notice itself, let it be mentioned that the respondents are required to file their counter affidavit and reply to the interlocutory application(s), if any, before the next date of listing.

5. List on 22.05.2026.

(RAJNI MUKHI)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(ANU BHALLA)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)