

ITEM NO.1

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.) Nos.17096-17097/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 25-04-2024 in DSR No. 01/2018 and CRLA No. 319/2017 passed by the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam]

THE STATE OF KERALA

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

NARENDRA KUMAR

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and I.R.)

(IA No.271537/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 12-12-2025 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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

For Petitioner(s) :

Mr. Harshad V. Hameed, AOR
Mr. Dileep Poolakkot, Adv.
Mrs. Ashly Harshad, Adv.
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For Respondent(s) :

Ms. Daisy Hannah, AOR
Ms. Oindrila Sen, Adv.
Ms. Sneha Ahmed, Adv.
Mr. Samarth Mohanty, Adv.

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

1. These petitions are at the instance of the State of Kerala.
2. The order passed by a coordinate Bench of this Court dated 21-2-2024 reads thus:-

"1. Delay condoned.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner-State submits that State has a grievance with regard to quantum of sentence.

3. In that view of the matter, issue notice with regard to quantum of sentence, returnable in eight weeks.

4. *Dasti service, in addition, is permitted.*"

3. We have to only consider the quantum of sentence. The Respondent is convicted for the offence of triple murder. He was sentenced to death by the Trial Court. The High Court affirmed the conviction, however, converted death penalty to a fixed sentence of 20 years without remission.

4. Today, when the matter was taken up for further hearing, Ms. Daisy Hannah, the learned counsel appeared on behalf of the respondent. She submitted that her client intends like to file a separate appeal seeking to challenge the Judgment and Order of conviction.

5. In such circumstances, let this matter come up for hearing in the last week of January, 2026.

6. In the meantime, if the respondent files any petition, the same be tagged with this matter.

7. The Registry shall call for the soft copy of the entire records and proceedings and share the same with both the learned counsel.

(VISHAL ANAND)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)