

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM**

**PRESENT:**

**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR**

**TUESDAY, THE 11TH DAY OF AUGUST 2015/20TH SRAVANA, 1937**

**WP(C).No. 24366 of 2015 (U)**  
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**PETITIONER(S):**  
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**K. SANKARAN NAMBOODIRI AGED 45 YEARS  
S/O. KRISHNAN NAMBOODIRI, PACHAMANGALATH ILLAM  
CHINDRANALLOOR, PEROOR PO, KILIMANOOR  
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM. [SANTHI, KURISSUKODE  
DEVASWOM, VARKALA GROUP, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM]**

**BY ADV. SRI.J.JAYAKUMAR**

**RESPONDENT(S):**  
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- 1. THE TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD  
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY,  
NANDANCODE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695 001**
- 2. THE DEVASWOM COMMISSIONER,  
THE TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD,  
NANDANCODE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695 001**
- 3. THE ASSISTANT DEVASWOM COMMISSIONER,  
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT DEVASWOM COMMISSIONER  
THE TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD, VARKALA  
VARKALA PO, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DISTRICT**
- 4. S.VASUDEVAN POTTI, SANTHI, NAVAIKULAM DEVASWOM  
VARKALA GROUP, NAVAIKULAM PO  
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DISTRICT**
- 5. S.SUBRAMANIAN POTTI, SANTHI,  
THIRUVARATTUKAVU DEVASWOM, VARKALA GROUP  
THIRUVARATTUKAVU, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DISTRICT**

**R BY SRI.A.N.RAJAN BABU, SC, TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD**

**THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON  
11-08-2015, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:**

APPENDIX

PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS:-

- EXT.P1 TRUE COPY OF THE TRANSFER ORDER DATED 04.07.2015 ISSUED BY THE 3RD RESPONDENT.
- EXT.P2 TRUE COPY OF APPEAL DATED 07.07.2015 FILED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE 2ND RESPONDENT.
- EXT.P3 TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER DATED 03.08.2015 OF THE 2ND RESPONDENT.
- EXT.P4 TRUE COPY OF THE APPEAL DATED 06.08.2015 FILED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE 1ST RESPONDENT.
- EXT.P5 TRUE COPY OF THE CIRCULAR DATED 10.02.2005 ISSUED BY THE 1ST RESPONDENT.
- EXT.P6 TRUE COPY OF THE TREATMENT PARTICULARS OF PETITIONER'S WIFE.

RESPONDENT(S)' EXHIBITS

NIL

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PA to Judge

**A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR, J.**  
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**W.P.(C). No. 24366 of 2015**  
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**Dated this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015**

**JUDGMENT**

The petitioner, who is working as Santhi at Kurissukode temple, is aggrieved by Ext.P1 order of transfer, transferring the petitioner as Melsanthi of Thiruvarattukavu temple. Aggrieved by the order of transfer, the petitioner preferred an appeal before the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent, which was rejected. The petitioner, therefore, preferred Ext.P4 appeal before the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent, which is stated to be pending. Under the said circumstances, the limited prayer in the writ petition is for a direction to the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to consider and pass orders on Ext.P4 appeal, expeditiously after hearing the petitioner.

2. I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents.

On a consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case as also the submissions made across the bar, I dispose the writ petition with a direction to the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to consider and pass orders on Ext.P4 appeal, after hearing the petitioner, within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. I make it clear that, till such time as orders are passed

by the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent as directed and communicated to the petitioner, Ext.P1 order of transfer, insofar as it relates to the petitioner, shall be kept in abeyance. The petitioner shall produce a copy of the writ petition together with a copy of this judgment before the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent for further action.

Sd/-  
**A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR**  
**JUDGE**

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