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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION WP NO.71 OF 2019

THE GOA FOUNDATION, THR. ITS
SECRETARY, DR. CLAUDE ALVARES., ... PETITIONER
Versus
VILLAGE PANCHAYAT OF VERLA-CANCA,
THR. ITS SECRETARY AND 6 ORS., ... RESPONDENTS

Ms Norma Alvares and Ms Vanaja Jasphine, Advocates for the
Petitioner.

Mr A. D. Bhobe, Advocate for Respondent No.1.

Mr S. D. Padiyar and Mr P. Shirodkar, Advocates for Respondent
No.2.

Mr D. Pangam, Advocate General with Ms Maria Correia, Additional
Government Advocate for Respondent Nos. 3 to 6 and 8.

Mr J. A. Lobo, Advocate for Respondent No.11.

Mr Jatin Ramaiya, Advocate for Respondent No.12.

Mr Abhijit Gosavi, Advocate for Respondent Nos. 14 to 18.

**CORAM:- M. S. SONAK &
VALMIKI SA MENEZES, JJ.**

DATED :- 12th March, 2024

P.C.:

Heard Ms Norma Alvares with Ms Vanaja Jasphine, learned
counsel for the Petitioner, Mr A. D. Bhobe, learned counsel for
Respondent No.1, Mr S. D. Padiyar with Mr P. Shirodkar, learned
counsel for Respondent No.2, Mr D. Pangam, Advocate General with
Ms Maria Correia, learned Additional Government Advocate for
Respondent Nos. 3 to 6 and 8, Mr J. A. Lobo, learned counsel for

Respondent No.11, Mr Jatin Ramaiya, learned counsel for Respondent No.12 and Mr Abhijit Gosavi, learned counsel for Respondent Nos. 14 to 18.

2. This was a Public Interest Litigation concerning construction of footpath on the road from Parra to Gandhi chowk, Mapusa.

3. From time to time, the concerned Respondents have been filing compliance/status reports. In terms of the status/compliance reports filed, the works from Parra to Bodgeshwar temple are complete.

4. In so far as the stretch from Bodgeshwar temple to Gandhi chowk is concerned, the learned AG hands in a work order dated 08.03.2024 issued to M/s. Abcon Engineering awarding them the contract for completion of works of widening and improvement of MDR-8 from Gandhi Circle to Bodgeshwar temple in Mapusa Constituency of Bardez Taluka.

5. The learned AG submits that in terms of the work order, the contractor has to complete these works within 180 calendar days including monsoon. Accordingly, we expect the contractor to complete these works within the assigned time.

6. The learned AG states that the compensation claims of

Respondent No.14 are being processed and will be dealt with in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible.

7. By recording the above statement and appreciating the proactive stance adopted by the concerned Respondents, we dispose of this petition.

8. Misc. Civil Application No.200 of 2022 does not survive the disposal of this petition and the same is also formally disposed of.

VALMIKI SA MENEZES, J.

M. S. SONAK, J.

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