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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA
WRIT PETITION NO.81 OF 2025

XAVIER AGNELO MINGUEL JOSE GRACIAS ... PETITIONER
Versus
STATE OF GOA, THR. THE CHIEF
SECRETARY AND ANR ... RESPONDENTS

Mr R. Gomes Pereira holding for Mr A. Ramani, Advocate for the
Petitioner.

Mr D. Pangam, Advocate General with Mr N. Vernekar, Additional
Government Advocate for Respondent No.1.

Mr Rohit Bras De Sa, Advocate for Respondent No.2.

**CORAM:- BHARATI DANGRE &
NIVEDITA P. MEHTA, JJ.**

DATED :- 10th June, 2025

P.C.:

The challenge is raised to the Goa Succession, Special Notaries and
Inventory Proceedings (Amendment) Act, 2022 and the (Amendment)
Act, 2023 is met by an affidavit filed by the Under Secretary, (Law -
Estt), State of Goa, by filing an affidavit affirmed on 10.06.2025.

2. The learned Advocate General has tendered the affidavit, which is
taken on record. Since the challenge is raised to the vires of the
Amendment Act, we expect the Advocate General to address us.
However, since Mr De Sa represents respondent no.2, who claims that
depending upon the outcome of the challenge the respondent no.2 shall

be impacted, we also permit him to assist the learned Advocate General in meeting the challenge to the vires of the provision.

3. We direct listing of the Writ Petition on 24.06.2025 with an understanding that the petition shall be heard finally.

NIVEDITA P. MEHTA, J.

BHARATI DANGRE, J.