IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. NITIN JAMDAR

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.MANU

WEDNESDAY, THE 26TH DAY OF MARCH 2025 / 5TH CHAITHRA, 1947

WA NO. 536 OF 2023

AGAINST THE JUDGMENT DATED 3.12.2022 IN WP(C) NO.9289 OF 2013 OF HIGH COURT OF KERALA

APPELLANTS/PETITIONERS IN WRIT PETITION:

1 GENERAL MANAGER
BHARATH SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED, BSNL BHAVAN,
ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682016

2 DIVISIONAL ENGINEER(PHONES)
BHARATH SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED, TELEPHONE EXCHANGE,
MATTANCHERRY, ERNAKULAM-, PIN - 682002

BY ADV K.M.JAMALUDHEEN

RESPONDENT/RESPONDENT IN WRIT PETITION:

T.M.AUGUSTINE
S/O. MATHAI, THAIKOOTTATHIL HOUSE, CHELLANAM P.O,
ERNAKULAM., PIN - 682008

BY ADV T.P.SAJAN

THIS WRIT APPEAL HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 26.03.2025, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

JUDGMENT

(Dated this the 26th day of March 2025)

NITIN JAMDAR, C.J.

Heard Mr.K.M.Jamaludheen, learned counsel for the Appellants and Mr.T.P.Sajan, learned counsel for Respondent.

2. This is an appeal filed by a public Authority. The matter was referred to Lok Adalath. Permanent Lok Adalath granted ₹5,000/- to the Respondent. Appellant challenged this order passed by the Permanent Lok Adalat in a Writ Petition. The learned Single Judge dismissed the Writ Petition. Undeterred, the Appellant has filed this appeal. The matter arises from Lok Adalath, Writ Petition is dismissed, yet for ₹5,000/- a Writ Appeal is filed. The Appellant ought to keep in mind the litigation policy that is generally adopted by the Public Authorities. We are not inclined to interfere with the judgment of the learned Single Judge. The questions of law sought to be raised by the Appellant are kept open to be raised in an appropriate case.

3. The appeal is disposed of.

Sd/-

NITIN JAMDAR
CHIEF JUSTICE

Sd/-

S.MANU
JUDGE

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