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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA**  
**PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION WP NO.44 OF 2024**

THE GOA FOUNDATION, THR. ITS  
SECRETARY, DR. CLAUDE ALVARES.

... PETITIONER

Versus

THE STATE OF GOA, THR. ITS CHIEF  
SECRETARY AND 4 ORS

... RESPONDENTS

Mr. Om D'Costa and Ms. Malisa Simoes, Advocates for the Petitioner.

Mr. Devidas J. Pangam, Advocate General with Mr. Deep Shirodkar,  
Additional Government Advocate for Respondent Nos. 1 and 2.

Ms. S. Vaigankar, Advocate for Respondent No.3.

Mr. S. D. Lotlikar, Senior Advocate with Ms. Sailee Kenny and Mr.  
Terence Sequeira, Advocates for Respondent No.4.

Mr. S. S. Kantak, Senior Advocate with Mr. Preetam Talaulikar, Ms.  
Laxmi Sawant, Ms. Saicha Desai and Ms. Sara Dessai, Advocates for  
Respondent No.5.

Mr. Joaquim Godinho, Advocate for Respondent No.6.

Mr. Rohit Bras De Sa (Through V.C.), Advocate for Respondent No.7.

**CORAM:- SUMAN SHYAM &  
AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, JJ.**

**DATED :- 16th February, 2026**

P.C.:

1. Mr D. Pangam, learned Advocate General for the State of  
Goa, Mr Lotlikar, learned Senior Counsel for Respondent No.4 and

Mr. Kantak, learned Senior Counsel for Respondent No.5 have concluded their arguments.

2. At the request of the Petitioner's counsel, list this case again on 23.02.2026 at 2.30 p.m. for rejoinder by the Petitioner. On that date, Mr Rohit Bras De Sa, learned counsel for Respondent No.7 may also address arguments on legal issues.

**AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, J.**

**SUMAN SHYAM, J.**