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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

MISC.CIVIL APPLICATION NO.249 OF 2026

IN

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION WP NO.6 OF 2026

TAHIR FERNANDO NORONHA THR.

ATTORNEY ANTHONY P. DE SOUZA

... APPLICANT

Versus

THE UNION OF INDIA REP BY THE

SECRETARY AND 17 ORS

... RESPONDENTS

Mr. Ajay Menon, Advocate for the Applicant.

Mr. Somnath Karpe, Standing Counsel with Ms. Samiksha Vaigankar, Advocate for Respondent Nos. 1, 3, 8 and 10.

Mr. Devidas Pangam, Advocate General with Ms. Maria Correia, Additional Government Advocate for Respondent No. 4.

Mr. Deepak Gaonkar with Mr. Prasad Bhatlekar, Advocates for Respondent No. 11.

Mr. Shivan Desai with Mr. A. Thorat, Advocates for Respondent No. 15.

Mr. Akshay Bharat, Advocate for Respondent Nos. 16 and 17.

Mr. Vibhav Amonkar, Advocate for Respondent No. 18.

**CORAM:- VALMIKI MENEZES &
AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, JJ.**

DATED :- 6th May, 2026

P.C.:

1. Registry to waive office objections and register the matter.

2. Even though the application is vehemently opposed by Respondent No. 18, for the reasons stated in the application, we allow the same. The amendment to be carried out within six weeks. The amended copy of the petition to be served on the Respondents. The Miscellaneous Civil Application No. 249 of 2026 stands disposed of.

AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, J. VALMIKI MENEZES, J.