### IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

### PRESENT

## THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN

Tuesday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2023 / 11th Aswina, 1945 <u>CRL.M.APPL.NO.1/2023 IN CRL.MC</u> NO. 8070 OF 2023

C.C.No.521/2023 on the files of Judicial First Class Magistrate Court-VIII, Ernakulam,

### PETITIONERS/ACCUSED NOS 1-8:

- 1. LAKESHORE HOSPITAL AND RESEARCH CENTRE. LTD AGED 73 YEARS NO. XVI/612, MARADU, NETTOOR P.O., COCHIN REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR, MR S K ABDULLA KUNHI, AGED 73, S/O SEEDI KUNHI HAJI, AARZI BASERA, PULIKUNNE, CERAMICS ROAD, KASARAGOD, PIN 671121
- 2. DR PHILIP AUGUSTINE AGED 76 YEARS VARKEY AUGUSTINE SYMPHONY, AUTOMOBILE ROAD, PALARIVATTOM, COCHIN, PIN 682025
- 3. DR S MAHESH AGED 47 YEARS S/O. K S SUBRAMANIA IYER H NO. CC 30/96 A, POONITHURA PO COCHIN , PIN 682038
- 4. DR GEORGE JACOB ERALY AGED 58 YEARS S/O. E.V. JACOB, NO.1983/D, EARALY, VENNALA, COCHIN , PIN 682028
- 5. DR SAI SUDARSAN AGED 59 YEARS P V A ARUNACHALAM, 204, EMERALD, LUMBINI ROCKDALE KHAIRATABAD, HYDERABAD , PIN 500082
- 6. DR THOMAS THACHIL AGED 83 YEARS S/O. T.T. JOSEPH THACHIL HOUSE, C N 208, "DHANYA" CONVENT ROAD, ANGAMALY , PIN 683572
- 7. DR MURALI KRISHNA MENON AGED 57 YEARS S/O. P. GOPINATHA MENON, SRINANDANAM, TMRRA 44, PULPRA LANE, THRIPUNITHURA, COCHIN , PIN 682301
- 8. DR SUJITH VASUDEVAN AGED 71 YEARS S/O. DR N VASUDEVAN, CONSULTANT PHYSICIAN, OJUS CLINIC, T D ROAD, OPP.ST THERESA'S NEW HOSTEL COCHIN, PIN 682035

## RESPONDENT/STATE DEFACTO COMPLAINANT:

- 1. STATE OF KERALA REPRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM, PIN 682031
- 2. DR.S.GANAPATHY AGED 73 YEARS S/O LATE ADV. K. SADANANDAN, ANJALI, MARUTHADI P.O., KOLLAM, PIN 691003

Application praying that in the circumstances stated therein the High Court be pleased to stay all further proceedings against the petitioner/accused No.1-8 in C.C.No.521/2023 on the files of Judicial First Class Magistrate Court-VIII, Ernakulam till the disposal of the above Criminal Miscellaneous Case.

This Application coming on for orders upon perusing the application and upon hearing the arguments of M/S.THOMAS J.ANAKKALLUNKAL, SRI.BENNY P.THOMAS, SC, BPCL, ANUPA ANNA JOSE KANDOTH, MITHA SUDHINDRAN, Advocates for the petitioners, and of PUBLIC PROSECUTOR for the 1st respondent, the court passed the following:

p.t.o.

## P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN, J.

# Crl.M.C. No.8070 of 2023

## Dated this the 03<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2023

## ORDER

Admit. Learned Public Prosecutor takes notice for the  $1^{\text{st}}$  respondent. Issue urgent notice by speed post to the  $2^{\text{nd}}$  respondent.

## Crl.M.A.No.1/2023

The learned Senior counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the police originally investigated the case and referred the matter stating that further action dropped. Subsequently, a private complaint was filed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent and the learned Magistrate taken cognizance of the offence. It is submitted that the police report filed is now reopened and is pending investigation. In such situation, the private complaint can not continue in the light of Section 210 Cr.P.C.

I think there is some force in this argument. Therefore, all further proceedings against the petitioners in C.C.No.521/2023 pending before the Judicial First Class Magistrate Court-VIII, Ernakulam is stayed for a period of six months.

Sd/P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN
JUDGE

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