IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN

Friday, the 2nd day of June 2023 / 12th Jyaishta, 1945 WP(C) NO. 15534 OF 2023

PETITIONER:

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RESPONDENTS:

- 1. THE UNION OF INDIA REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT, SASTHRI BHAVAN, NEW DELHI, PIN 110001
- 2. THE STATE OF KERALA REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, TRIVANDRUM, PIN 695001.
- 3. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR COLLECTORATE, CIVIL STATION, UP-HILL, MALAPPURAM, PIN 676505.
- 4. THE DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER, UPHILL, MALAPPURAM, PIN 676505.
- 5. THE SUPERINTENDENT GOVERNMENT MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL, MANJERI, MALAPPURAM DISTRICT, PIN 676121.
- 6. THE SUPERINTENDENT GOVERNMENT MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL, KOZHIKKODE, PIN 673008.
- 7. THE STATION HOUSE OFFICER VAZHIKADAVU POLICE STATION, VAZHIKADAVU P.O., MALAPPURAM DISTRICT, PIN 679333.
- 8. THE CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE REPRESENTED BY ITS CHAIRMAN, THAVANOOR, MALAPPURAM DISTRICT, PIN 679573.

Writ petition (civil) praying inter alia that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed along with the WP(C) the High Court be pleased to direct the respondents to terminate the pregnancy of the victim girl in Crime No.331/2023 of the Vazhikadavu Police Station as expeditiously as possible, pending disposal of the above Writ Petition (Civil).

This petition again coming on for orders upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support of WP(C) and this Court's order dated 19.05.2023 and upon hearing the arguments of SRI. K.RAKESH, Advocate for the petitioner, DEPUTY SOLICITOR GENERAL OF INDIA for R1 and of GOVERNMENT PLEADER for R2 to R7, the court passed the following:

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Dated this the 2nd day of June, 2023

ORDER

The petitioner is free to submit an application before the 8th respondent seeking restoration of the child in accordance to Sec. 40 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 by tomorrow. If such an application is received, the 8th respondent will consider the same and take a decision in it, in consultation with the doctors, within one week from the date of receipt of the application. The order passed by the 8th respondent will be produced before this Court.

2. Regarding the discharge of the petitioner's child, the Police authorities can do the needful in consultation with the medical authorities. The custody of the new born child of

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the minor girl also will be decided by the 8^{th} respondent in accordance to Sec.35 of the Juvenile Justice Act.

3. Post on 09.06.2023.

Issue a copy of this order today itself.

sd/-**P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN JUDGE**

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