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#### IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

#### PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE C. JAYACHANDRAN

FRIDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF JANUARY 2025 / 13TH POUSHA, 1946

WP(C) NO. 45387 OF 2024

## PETITIONER:

ASHNA SHAJI,
AGED 17 YEARS
D/O. SHAJI, CHIRAYIL KIZHAKKATHIL,
CHINGOLI P.O, ALAPPUZHA
REPRESENTED BY HER MOTHER, SHAMNA,
AGED 46 YEARS, W/O. SHAJI,
CHIRAYIL KIZHAKKATHIL,
CHINGOLI P.O, ALAPPUZHA,
PIN - 690532

BY ADV ARYA B.

#### **RESPONDENTS:**

- DIRECTOR OF GENERAL EDUCATION
  O/O THE DIRECTOR OF GENERAL EDUCATION,
  JAGATHY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.,
  PIN 695014
- 2 KALOLSAVAM COMMITTEE CONVENER
  ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR OF GENERAL EDUCATION,
  O/O THE ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR OF GENERAL EDUCATION,
  JAGATHY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.,
  PIN 695014
- 3 DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER
  O/O THE DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICE,
  MEDICAL COLLEGE JN, ALAPPUZHA., PIN 688005
- 4 CHAIRMAN APPEAL COMMITTEE
  DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION,



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O/O THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION. THIRUVANANTHAPURAM., PIN - 695036

#### BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 03.01.2025, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

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# **JUDGMENT**

Dated, this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2025

When this matter was taken up for consideration, learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the difference between the marks obtained by the petitioner's team and the team which obtained the first position is only one.

- 2. Learned Government Pleader, after due instruction, would submit that the difference is two marks.
- 3. It was pointed out by the counsel for the petitioner that, there was no proper application of mind by the appeal committee, inasmuch as their finding is to the effect that there is substantial difference in the marks between the petitioner's team and the team which obtained the first position.
- **4**. Having regard to the minimal difference in the marks obtained by the petitioner's team and the team which obtained the first position, this Court is inclined to allow the instant writ petition and to permit the



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petitioner to participate in the State Kalolasavam in the event 'Oppana' at Higher Secondary Level.

It is so directed. The Writ Petition is allowed as indicated above.

Sd/-

C. JAYACHANDRAN
JUDGE

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## APPENDIX OF WP(C) 45387/2024

## PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT P1 TRUE COPY OF THE APPEAL RECEIPT RECEIVED

FROM THE 4TH RESPONDENT BY THE PETITIONER

DATED 30.11.2024.

EXHIBIT P2 TRUE COPY OF THE ORDER DISMISSING THE

PETITIONER'S APPEAL BY THE 4TH RESPONDENT

DATED 07.12.2024.

RESPONDENTS' EXHIBITS:NIL

//TRUE COPY//

PA TO JUDGE