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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE C. JAYACHANDRAN

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

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PETITIONER:

SREELAKSHMI BABU  
AGED 17 YEARS  
(MINOR), D/O. K.G BABU,  
KOTTUPARAMBIL HOUSE, KADUNGAMANGALAM P.O,  
THIRUVANKULAM ERNAKULAM,  
REP. BY HER FATHER & LAWFUL GUARDIAN,  
K.G BABUMON, AGED 49 YEARS, S/O. GOPINATHAN,  
KOTTUPARAMBIL HOUSE, KADUNGAMANGALAM P.O,  
THIRUVANKULAM, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682305

BY ADV MANU ROY

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 DIRECTOR OF GENERAL EDUCATION  
JAGATHY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,  
PIN - 695014
- 2 THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION  
DDE OFFICE, CIVIL STATION,  
KAKKANAD, PIN - 682030
- 3 THE DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER  
GENAREL HOSPTEL ROAD,  
ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682011
- 4 THE CHAIRMAN  
APPEAL COMMITTEE OF ERNAKULAM DISTRICT SCHOOL  
KALOLSAVAM, DDE OFFICE,



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**CIVIL STATION, KAKKANAD, PIN - 682030**

**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:**

**JUDGMENT**

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

The petitioner participated in the event 'Mohiniyattom', but, she could secure only third place. She approached this Court on various grounds. This Court, by order dated 24.12.2024, directed the Appeal Committee to consider the appeal preferred by the petitioner and to take a decision within a period of three days.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner would hand over a copy of the order, which would indicate that the same was served on the Office of the Deputy Director, Education on 27.12.2024, as is decipherable from the seal contained therein. The grievance of the petitioner now is that the appeal has not been considered, despite a lapse of ten days.

3. Learned Government Pleader would submit that the appeal committee has no idea with respect to the interim order passed by this Court in this Writ Petition.

4. The contention of the learned Government Pleader,



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based on the instructions she received, cannot be countenanced for a moment. A copy of the order, which has been handed over to this Court by the learned counsel for the petitioner, would indicate that the order has been served in the Office of the Deputy Director, Education on 27.12.2024. It is a case of sheer non-compliance with this Court's order, wherefore the benefit of such inaction should enure to the petitioner.

5. Accordingly, this Writ petition is allowed by permitting the petitioner to participate in the event 'Mohiniyattom' in the State Kalolsavam at the Higher Secondary level. There will be a direction to that effect.

The Writ Petition is allowed as indicated above.

**Sd/-**

**C. JAYACHANDRAN**

**JUDGE**

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APPENDIX OF WP (C) 45181/2024

PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS

- EXHIBIT P1                    A COPY OF THE ORDER DATED 22-11-2024  
PASSED BY THE 4TH RESPONDENT ALLOWING THE  
APPEAL
- EXHIBIT P2                    A COPY OF APPEAL MEMORANDUM DATED 26-11-  
2024
- EXHIBIT P3                    A COPY OF THE COVERING LETTER ISSUED BY  
THE FATHER OF THE PETITIONER
- EXHIBIT P4                    A COPY OF THE DELIVERY CONFIRMATION STATUS  
OBTAINED FROM THE WEBSITE OF THE POSTAL  
DEPARTMENT CONFIRMING THE DELIVERY OF  
EXT.P2 AND EXT.P3 ON 11-12-2024
- EXHIBIT P5                    A COPY OF THE JUDGMENT IN W.P© NO:  
43687/2024 DATED 07-12-2024

RESPONDENTS' EXHIBITS:NIL

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PA TO JUDGE