ITEM NO.43 COURT NO.1 SECTION PIL-W

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

SUO MOTO WRIT PETITION(CIVIL) No(s). 19/2026

IN RE: ACCESS TO LIFE-SAVING MEDICINES AND JUDICIAL EXPEDIENCY IN ARTICLE 21 MATTERS

Date : 17-07-2026 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE V. MOHANA

For Petitioner(s) : By Courts Motion

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Aljo K. Joseph, AOR (State of Kerala)

Mr. Anand Grover, Sr. Adv.
Ms. Priyanka Prakash, AOR

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

1. Issue notice, returnable on 24.08.2026.

2. Mr. Anand Grover, learned senior counsel representing 'Drug Action Forum-Karnataka' and 'Organization for Rare Diseases India (ORDI)', which were also representing the deceased patient before the Kerala High Court, seeks to assist this Court in the instant matter as an intervenor. Accordingly, permission is granted to file a formal application for intervention, which shall be deemed to have been allowed, and the Registry shall, thereupon, take necessary steps to implead the organisation(s) as an intervenor.

3. Meanwhile, we request the Hon'ble Chief Justice of the Kerala High Court to ensure that W.P. (Civil) No.18999/2022, pending before the High Court, is decided expeditiously.

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