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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN

THURSDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026 / 16TH ASWINA, 1948

WP(C) NO. 31694 OF 2026

PETITIONER/S:

**BY ADVS.
SMT.P.V.UTTARA
SHRI.SARATH K.P.**

RESPONDENT/S:

- 1 STATE OF KERALA
 REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY,
 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL JUSTICE,
 SECRETARIAT,
 KERALA, PIN - 695001**
- 2 DIRECTOR
 DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE,
 VIKAS BHAVAN, 5TH FLOOR,
 THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
 PIN - 695033**
- 3 KERALA STATE TRANSGENDER BOARD
 DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE,
 VIKAS BHAVAN,
 5TH FLOOR, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
 PIN - 695033**



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**4 TRANSGENDER CELL
 DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE, VIKAS BHAVAN,
 5TH FLOOR, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
 PIN - 695033**

SMT LAYA MARY JOSEPH, GP

**THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION
ON 08.10.2026, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:**



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P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN, J**W.P (C) No.31694 of 2026****Dated this the 08th day of October, 2026****JUDGMENT**

This Writ Petition (C) is filed seeking the following reliefs:

- " (i) Declare that the petitioner is entitled to a total of Rs.36,000/-, towards the dues of financial assistance for post operative treatment as prescribed in Ext.P4, along with interest thereon at the rate of 18% p.a;
- (ii) Declare that the respondents are liable to forthwith disburse the unpaid balance sum of Rs. 21,000/-, due to the petitioner towards financial assistance for post operative treatment and after care under Ext. P4, along with interest thereon at the rate of 18% p.a;
- (iii) Issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondent no.1 to forthwith disburse the unpaid balance sum of Rs. 21,000/-, due to the petitioner towards financial assistance for post operative treatment and after care under Ext. P4, along with interest thereon at the rate of 18% p.a;8.
- (iv) grant such other and further reliefs as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit in the interests of justice."

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2. Petitioner is a transgender person. This writ petition is filed, aggrieved by the respondents' refusal to disburse financial aid stipulated in Ext.P4 towards the post-operative treatment after undergoing Sex Reassignment Surgery ('SRS'). Petitioner



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submitted that an amount of Rs.15,000/- has already been received, and the balance amount to be paid is Rs.21,000/-. The Government Pleader, after getting instructions, submitted that the respondents are taking steps and they are awaiting sanction from the authority concerned. If that is the case, there can be a direction to the 2nd respondent to disburse the eligible amount to the petitioner within a time frame.

Therefore, this Writ Petition is disposed of, directing the 2nd respondent to disburse the eligible amount of Rs.21,000/-, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this judgment.

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

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Judgment reserved	NA
Date of judgment	08.10.2026
Judgment dictated	08.10.2026
Draft Judgment Placed	08.10.2026
Final Judgment Uploaded	09.10.2026



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APPENDIX OF WP(C) NO. 31694 OF 2026**PETITIONER EXHIBITS**

Exhibit P1	TRUE COPY OF HIS MEDICAL CERTIFICATES CONCERNING SRS SURGERY
Exhibit P2	TRUE COPY OF THE PETITIONER'S TRANSGENDER CARD
Exhibit P3	TRUE COPY OF THE GO(RT.) 657/2018/SJD DATED 15.11.2018
Exhibit P4	TRUE COPY OF GO(RT.) 652/2018/SJD DATED 14.11.2018
Exhibit P4(a)	TRUE COPY OF GO (RT.)173/2023/SJD DATED 22.08.2023 SUPPLEMENTING EXT. P4
Exhibit P5	TRUE COPY OF THE PETITIONER'S ACCOUNT STATEMENT
Exhibit P6	TRUE COPY OF THE APPLICATION DATED 01.09.2025, PREFERRED BY THE PETITIONER, THROUGH THE WEBSITE OF THE 1ST RESPONDENT
Exhibit P7	A TRUE COPY OF THE REPRESENTATION DATED 11.09.2026 PREFERRED BY THE PETITIONER BEFORE THE RESPONDENTS 1 AND 2