**ITEM NO.61 COURT NO.8 SECTION XVII-B**

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

**SUO MOTO CONTEMPT PETITION(CRIMINAL) No(s).3/2026**

**[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 27-01-2025 in RPFC No.16/2024 passed by the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam]**

**IN RE: JAYAPRAKASH E.P. Alleged Contemnor(s)/Petitioner(s)**

**VERSUS**

**Respondent(s)**

**[TO BE TAKEN UP AT THE TOP OF THE BOARD ALONG WITH THE RECORD OF SLP(CRL.) NO. 1954/2026]**

**Date : 23-11-2026 This petition was called for hearing today.**

**CORAM :**
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHSANUDDIN AMANULLAH**
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANMOHAN**

**(By Courts Motion)**

**For Petitioner(s) Mr. Jose Abraham- 2066, AoR**

**For Respondent(s) Mr. Aljo K. Joseph, AoR**

**O R D E R**

**Heard learned counsel for the parties.**

**2. In view of order dated 30.09.2026 passed by this Court in SLP(Crl.) No.1954 of 2026, the Court had taken *suo-motu* notice and issued contempt against the alleged contemnor/petitioner in the said Special Leave Petition. The Court had also specifically directed the alleged contemnor to be present in Court today.**

**3. Today, learned counsel for the alleged contemnor submitted that the alleged contemnor has filed a motion, though the same is**

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**not on record, that due to some medical issue, which we find to be totally frivolous, the exemption from personal appearance is sought.**

**4. Be that as it may, the Court cannot allow such things to happen, where a party/contemnor presumes an exemption on the basis of letter circulated without even an interlocutory application filed prior to the said date seeking exemption and getting a specific order for exemption.**

**5. At this juncture, learned counsel for the alleged contemnor submitted that the alleged contemnor would join the Court proceedings through video conferencing. In view thereof, the matter was taken up in the post-lunch session.**

**6. Having interacted with Mr. Jayaprakash E.P., who is the alleged contemnor, we find that he has not understood the gravity of his conduct and the Court does not appreciate the response from him.**

**7. Even with regard to the next date of appearance, the grounds on which the alleged contemnor tried to defer the same till the next year, is nothing short of trying to take the Court for granted.**

**8. In view thereof, we are constrained to issue non-bailable warrant of arrest against the alleged contemnor/petitioner in the present petition.**

**9. At our request, Mr. Aljo K. Joseph, learned counsel for the State of Kerala accepts notice in the present matter and we formally implead the State of Kerala through the Director General of Police, Keralam, as a party respondent.**

**10. The present order be communicated to the Director General of Police, Keralam, who shall ensure that after being taken into custody, a proper medical examination is conducted of the alleged contemnor from the nearest Government Medical College and thereafter, he shall be produced before this Court under custody on 27.11.2026 at 10:30 a.m.**

**(SAPNA BISHT)**
**ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS**

**(ANJALI PANWAR)**
**ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**