

ITEM NO.24

COURT NO.11

SECTION XI-A

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

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 29188/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 14-08-2024 in WP(C) No. 38468/2023 passed by the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam]

VINOD KUMAR M.P. & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE MALABAR DEVASWOM BOARD & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.282106/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 13-12-2024 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M. SUNDRESH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARAVIND KUMAR

For Petitioner(s) Mr. PV Dinesh, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Subhash Chandran K.R., AOR
Ms. Krishna Lr, Adv.
Ms. Anna Oommen, Adv.

For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

We are not inclined to interfere with the impugned order.

However, we make it clear that the order passed in the impugned judgment will not have any bearing on the eligibility of the petitioner(s) for being considered for future appointments as already noticed.

The Special Leave Petition is, accordingly, dismissed.

After the aforesaid dismissal of the case, the learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioner(s) submitted that there cannot be any discrimination in selection by not considering the people from backward classes. We make it clear that God did not create the classification on the basis of race, religion, language or caste, and the same are human constructs.

Therefore, in the event of any selection of non-hereditary trustee, the caste of a person can never be a bar, and the principle governing the field in this regard will have to be strictly adhered to.

Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(ASHA SUNDRIYAL)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POONAM VAID)
COURT MASTER (NSH)