

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM
PRESENT
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN

Wednesday, the 28th day of October 2026 / 6th Karthika, 1948
WP(C) NO. 35452 OF 2026(R)

PETITIONER:

AUSTIN SUNEY, AGED 23 YEARS, SON OF SUNEY S.PAUL,
CHEENEVEETIL HOUSE, KOTTAMKULANGARA, AVALOOKUNNU,
ALAPPUZHA, PIN - 688 006.

RESPONDENTS:

1. HIGH COURT OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682 031.
2. THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682 031.
3. THE PUBLIC RELATION OFFICER, HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM, PIN - 682 031.

Writ petition (civil) praying inter alia that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed along with the WP(C) the High Court be pleased to direct the Respondents to issue a temporary entry pass to the Petitioner, so that he can effectively do his internship as per Exhibit P4, subject to all the conditions in Exhibit P5, until this Writ Petition is finally decided.

This petition coming on for admission upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support of WP(C) and upon hearing the arguments of SRI.SANTHOSH MATHEW (SENIOR ADVOCATE) along with M/S. SHINTO MATHEW ABRAHAM, VEENA RAVEENDRAN, ANIL SEBASTIAN PULICKEL, LEAH RACHEL NINAN, MATHEW NEVIN THOMAS, KARTHIK RAJAGOPAL, KURIAN ANTONY MATHEW, APARNNA S., NOEL NINAN NINAN, ADEEN NAZAR, ROHAN MATHEW & SAIRA SUSAN JOJOE, Advocates for the petitioner, SRI.B.G.HARINDRANATH (SENIOR ADVOCATE) along with SRI.S.VISHNU (ARIKKATTIL), STANDING COUNSEL for the respondents, the court passed the following:

P.T.O.

ORDER

Admit.

Sri.Vishnu S, Standing Counsel takes notice for respondents. The petitioner will implead High Court Advocate Association as the additional 4th respondent.

The contention of the petitioner is that he is an intern in an Advocate office. He wants to attend the Court with the Advocate, with whom he is doing internship. The same is prohibited as per Exhibit P5.

After hearing both sides, I think an interim order can be passed as far as the petitioner alone is concerned. The larger issue can be decided later. Therefore, there will be a direction to the respondents to issue a temporary entry pass to the petitioner, so that he can do the internship as per Exhibit P4 subject to all conditions in Exhibit P5 and also on a written assurance from the lawyer concerned that he is the intern of that particular lawyer.

The respondents can file counter affidavit and bring up the matter, if there is any urgency.

Sd/- P.V.KUNHIKRISHNAN, JUDGE

APPENDIX OF WP(C) 35452/2026

Exhibit P4

A TRUE COPY OF THE AUTHORISATION CERTIFICATE DATED 24-09-2026 ISSUED BY SENIOR ADVOCATE SANTHOSH MATHEW.

Exhibit P5

A TRUE COPY OF THE OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM DATED 01-07-2026 ALONG WITH THE INTERSHIP POLICY.

