IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL APPEAL NO. OF 2026
(Arising out of SLP (Civil) No. 17260 of 2024)

PETER P.K.@SHIBU **APPELLANT(S)**

VERSUS

SUDHEESH & ORS. **RESPONDENT(S)**

O R D E R

1. IA No. 245037/2026, is an application for deletion of respondent No. 2 from the array of the parties. The same is allowed at the risk of the petitioner.

2. Leave granted.

3. The appellant has preferred the present appeal seeking further enhancement of the compensation awarded by the High Court.

4. The facts of the case reveal that the appellant met with an accident on 07.09.2008, as a result of which he sustained serious injuries leading to permanent disability.

5. The appellant preferred a claim petition before

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the Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Wayanad, Kalpetta (hereinafter referred to as the "Tribunal"), which awarded compensation of Rs. 9,52,100/- along with interest at the rate of 7.5% per annum. In appeal, the High Court enhanced the compensation to Rs. 23,22,600/-.

6. Learned counsel appearing for the appellant submits that the appellant was working as a driver and, on account of the permanent disability sustained in the accident, has been rendered incapable of pursuing his profession. It is, therefore, submitted that the compensation awarded warrants further enhancement.

7. Per contra, learned counsel appearing for the respondent-Insurance Company submits that the High Court has already enhanced the compensation under the head of permanent disability from Rs. 4,60,800/- to Rs. 16,12,800/-.

8. This Court has carefully considered the material available on record and heard learned counsel for the parties.

9. Having regard to the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is of the considered opinion that a further enhancement of compensation by a lump-sum amount of Rs. 7,00,000/-

(Rupees Seven Lakhs only), towards full and final settlement of the claim, without any further interest thereon, would meet the ends of justice.

10. Accordingly, the compensation awarded by the High Court is further enhanced by a sum of Rs. 7,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs only). The respondent-Insurance Company is directed to deposit/pay the aforesaid enhanced amount to the petitioner within a period of four weeks from today.

11. The impugned judgment and order passed by the High Court stand modified to the extent indicated above. The appeal stands disposed of accordingly.

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

……J.
[SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA]

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J.
[NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH]

NEW DELHI;
18th November, 2026

ITEM NO.28 COURT NO.15 SECTION XI-B

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). 17260/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 09-03-2023 in MACA No. 2683/2012 passed by the High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam]

PETER P.K.@SHIBU Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

SUDHEESH & ORS. Respondent(s)

LIST BEFORE AN APPROPRIATE BENCH ON 18.11.2026
IA No. 245037/2026 - DELETING THE NAME OF PETITIONER/RESPONDENT
IA No. 153898/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

Date : 18-11-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH

For Petitioner(s) :Dr. Alex Joseph- 1928, AOR
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Mrs. Sangeetha Mr, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Amit Kumar Singh, AOR
Ms. K Enatoli Sema, Adv.
Ms. Chubalemla Chang, Adv.
Mr. Prang Newmai, Adv.

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

1. IA No. 245037/2026, is an application for deletion of respondent No. 2 from the array of the parties. The same is allowed at the risk of the

petitioner.

2. Leave granted.

3. The appeal is disposed of in terms of the signed order placed on the file.

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

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