IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM PRESENT THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.MUHAMED MUSTAQUE & THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE SOPHY THOMAS Tuesday, the 27th day of June 2023 / 6th Ashadha, 1945 <u>CONTEMPT CASE(C) NO. 719 OF 2023(S) IN WP(C)1582/2022</u>

PETITIONER/WRIT PETITIONER:

DR. C.P ABDUL KABEER, AGED 60, S/O K.I SAYED SHAIK KOYA, CHERIYAPURAKKAD HOUSE, KALPENI ISLAND, UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP- 682 557, TEMPORARILY RESIDING AT PRESENT AT MALABAR HOUSE, WAYANAD ROAD, CIVIL STATION P.O, KOZHIKODE - 673 020.

BY ADV K.M.FIROZ

RESPONDENTS/OFFICERS REPRESENTING RESPONDENTS 3,2,4,6 AND 8 IN THE WRIT PETITION:

- 1. SHASHANK MANI TRIPATHI, IAS, SECRETARY OF DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES, AGRICULTURE, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP, KAVARATTI ISLAND, UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP - 682555
- 2. A ANBARASU IAS, ADVISOR TO ADMINISTRATOR AND SECRETARY OF SERVICES AND HEALTH, UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP, KAVARATTI ISLAND, UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP - 682555
- 3. RAKESH KUMAR, DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP, KAVARATTI ISLAND, UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP -682555
- 4. RAKESH MINHAS IAS, COLLECTOR, 1ST FLOOR, COLLECTORS BLOCK, KAVARATTI, LAKSHADWEEP - 682555
- 5. RAJESH KUMAR SINGH, SECRETARY (ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DEPARTMENT) TO GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING, GROUND FLOOR, CHANDERLOK BUILDING, 36, JANPATH, NEW DELHI - 110001.

This Contempt of court case (civil) having come up for orders on 27.06.2023, the court on the same day passed the following:

P.T.0.

A.MUHAMED MUSTAQUE & SOPHY THOMAS, JJ.

Con.Case (C) No.719 of 2023 Dated this the 27th day of June, 2023

<u>O R D E R</u>

A.Muhamed Mustaque, J.

It is pointed out by the learned counsel for the petitioner that in spite of the direction of this Court, as early as on 31.03.2022, no steps have been taken by the Lakshadweep Administration to engage veterinary doctors to attend health care of animals, birds etc. in Lakshadweep.

Learned Standing Counsel submitted that steps are being taken.

It is to be noted that as early as on 30.03.2023, this Court passed an order in the matter for making interim arrangements for veterinary surgeons to be made available. In spite of that direction also, the Lakshadweep Administration is not able to come forward with suggestions. In that view of the matter, if no action is taken to appoint either veterinary doctors as directed in the impugned judgment related to contempt, within three weeks from today, either by contract or permanent, the 1st respondent shall appear in person before this Court.

Post the matter on 18.07.2023.

Sd/-

A.MUHAMED MUSTAQUE JUDGE

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SOPHY THOMAS JUDGE

DSV/27.6.23

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