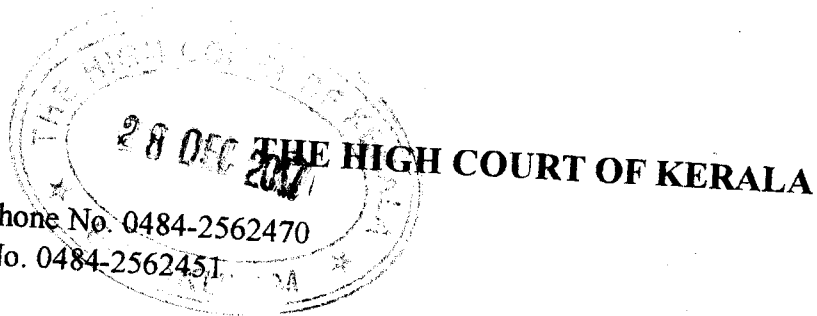


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(Ordinance No. 30 of 2017)

A copy of the Ordinance mentioned under reference above is
communicated for information and necessary action.

(By order)



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Registrar (Subordinate Judiciary)

Encl.: as above

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24th Agrahayana, 1939.

The following Ordinance promulgated by the Governor of Kerala on the 14th day of December, 2017 is hereby published for general information.

By order of the Governor,

B. G. HARINDRANATH,
Law Secretary.

ORDINANCE No. 30 of 2017

THE KERALA HIGH COURT (AMENDMENT)
ORDINANCE, 2017

Promulgated by the Governor of Kerala in the Sixty-eighth Year of
the Republic of India.

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ORDINANCE

further to amend the Kerala High Court Act, 1958.

Preamble.—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Kerala High
Court Act, 1958 (5 of 1959) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

AND WHEREAS, the Legislative Assembly of the State of Kerala is not
in session and the Governor of Kerala is satisfied that circumstances exist
which render it necessary for him to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of
Article 213 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Kerala is pleased
to promulgate the following Ordinance:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Ordinance may be
called the Kerala High Court (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Act 5 of 1959 to be temporarily amended.*—During the period of operation of this Ordinance, the Kerala High Court Act, 1958 (5 of 1959) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) shall have effect subject to the amendments specified in section 3 and the provisions of section 4.

3. *Amendment of section 3.*—In clause (13) of section 3 of the principal Act,—

(i) in sub-clause (b), for the words "one lakh rupees", the words "forty lakh rupees" shall be substituted;

(ii) after sub-clause (g), the following sub-clause shall be inserted, namely:—

"(h) from an award passed by a Motor Accidents Claims Tribunal."

4. *Special provision in respect of pending appeals, suits and other proceedings.*—Notwithstanding anything contained in the principal Act or any other law for the time being in force, or in any judgment, decree or order of a court, the provisions of sub-clauses (b) and (h) of clause (13) of section 3 of the principal Act as amended by this Ordinance shall apply to all suits, appeals and other proceedings and the applications for compensation under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988), as the case may be, instituted prior to the date of commencement of this Ordinance and are pending disposal and all appeals pending before the Division Bench of the High Court as on the said date, where the

amount or value of the subject matter of suits or other proceedings involved does not exceed forty lakh rupees, and all appeals from the awards passed by the Motor Accidents Claims Tribunals, shall be transferred to, and disposed of by the Single Judge:

Provided that the said provision shall not apply to appeals pending before the Division Bench under section 5 of the principal Act.

P. SATHASIVAM,
GOVERNOR.