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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM

Sub:- *The Kerala Finance Bill, 2024* - Amendments to *the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1959* - Reg.

Ref:- 1) *The Kerala Finance Bill, 2024* (copy attached)

2) Sections 3 and 4 of *the Kerala Provisional Collection of Revenues Act, 1985*

The Government, vide reference cited first above, proposed certain amendments to *the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1959* with respect to change in court fees in certain category of cases filed under the provisions of *the Family Courts Act, 1985* and *the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881* (Paragraph 3 of Chapter II in the Kerala Finance Bill, 2024).

Even though the *Kerala Finance Bill, 2024* is yet to be passed in the Legislative Assembly, the tax proposals in *the Kerala Finance Bill, 2024* will have effect from 01/04/2024 in accordance with the provisions under *the Kerala Provisional Collection of Revenues Act, 1985*. A declaration to that effect is also made in the Kerala Finance Bill, 2024.

Hence, the Courts concerned shall collect the revised court fees in such category of cases, as are applicable, in accordance with the amendments proposed to *the Kerala Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1959* in *the Kerala Finance Bill, 2024* with effect from 01/04/2024.

(By Order)

P. Krishna Kumar
Registrar General

To:-

All the Principal District Judges (They shall communicate the above to all the Judicial Officers in the district)

All the Chief Judicial Magistrates

The Deputy Registrar and the Assistant Registrar, Filing Section, High Court

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Copy to:-

The Director, Kerala Judicial Academy
Adv. G. Unnikrishnan, (*Secretary, Rule Committee, GTWRA1,
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