

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

REVIEW PETITION (CIVIL) NO.3152 OF 2016

IN

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) NO.4290 OF 2016

JOJI GEORGE . . .PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

K.S. VARGHESE AND ORS. . .RESPONDENT(S)

WITH

REVIEW PETITION (CIVIL) NO.3153 OF 2016

IN

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) NO.4396 OF 2016

ORDER

1. The order in respect of which the present review has been prayed for has worked itself out inasmuch as the main appeal pending before this Court i.e. Civil Appeal No.3674 of 2015 (K.S. Varghese & Ors. vs. St. Peter's & Paul's Syrian Orth. & Ors.) has been dismissed by the judgment of this Court dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2017.

2. Insofar as the services in the Church are concerned, in paragraphs 183 and 184(xvii) this Court has held that religious services by two Vicars cannot be accepted as that would amount to patronizing parallel systems of administration.

3. In the above view of the matter, the order of this Court dated 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 passed in Special Leave Petition (Civil) Nos.4290 of 2016 and 4396 of 2016 is recalled. The review petitions are allowed and the Special Leave Petitions are disposed of accordingly.

.....,J.  
(RANJAN GOGOI)

.....,J.  
(PRAFULLA C. PANT)

NEW DELHI  
AUGUST 16, 2017

ITEM NO.301 + 302

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SECTION XIA

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

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Date : 16-08-2017 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RANJAN GOGOI  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRAFULLA C. PANT

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

The review petitions are allowed and the Special  
Leave Petitions are disposed of in terms of the signed  
order.

[VINOD LAKHINA]

AR-cum-PS

[ASHA SONI]

BRANCH OFFICER

[SIGNED ORDER IS PLACED ON THE FILE]