Kerala High Court

Data as on 22.11.2026. Source: LawInC analysis of Department of Justice data.

Sitting judges of this Court, followed by judges whose Parent High Court is this Court and who are serving elsewhere, and sitting Supreme Court judges drawn from this Parent High Court. Parent High Court Seniority among sitting judges is kept after a transfer (as if there had been no transfers); that is the figure the public monthly list does not present as an all-India picture.

Sitting: 35 · Sanctioned: 47 · Vacancies: 12 · Of this PHC, serving elsewhere: 2 · Of other PHCs, serving here: 2 · Chief Justice: 1 · Now in the Supreme Court: 1

Principal seat. Ernakulam (Kochi) · Official website. https://hckerala.gov.in/ · Chief Justice: Hon'ble Justice Soumen Sen (Parent High Court: Calcutta)

Sitting at this High Court (35)

Ordered by sitting-court seniority (SHC-S). PHC-S is Parent High Court Seniority among sitting judges of that Parent High Court (as if there had been no transfers; incoming transfers are not counted here). AIS is All India Seniority as on this date, including Addl. Judges. Incoming transferred judges, including the Chief Justice, appear here.

SHC-S	PHC-S	AIS	Hon'ble Justice	Bar / Service	Sitting HC	PHC	Appointment	Retirement	Remarks
1	1	1	Soumen Sen Chief Justice	Bar	Kerala	Calcutta	13.04.2011	26.07.2027	Chief Justice w.e.f. 10.01.2026
2	1	22	Ala Kunnil Jayasankaran Nambiar	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	23.01.2014	26.01.2028	
3	2	23	Anil Kalavampara Narendran	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	23.01.2014	04.05.2029	
4	4	35	Raja Vijayaraghavan Valsala	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	10.04.2015	27.05.2029	
5	7	60	J. Nisha Banu (Smt.)	Bar	Kerala	Madras	05.10.2016	17.09.2028	
6	6	57	Sathish Ninan	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	05.10.2016	31.03.2030	
7	7	59	Devan Ramachandran	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	05.10.2016	18.03.2030	
8	8	205	Conrad Stansilaus Dias	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	18.11.2019	18.11.2031	
9	9	227	Pulleri Vadhyarillath Kunhikrishnan	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	13.02.2020	21.05.2029	
10	10	231	Thirumuppath Raghavan Ravi	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	06.03.2020	01.03.2027	
11	11	232	Bechu Kurian Thomas	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	06.03.2020	04.12.2030	
12	12	233	Gopinath Puzhankara	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	06.03.2020	12.11.2034	
13	13	256	Murali Purushothaman	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	25.02.2021	30.07.2029	
14	14	257	Ziyad Rahman Alevakkatt Abdul Rahiman	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	25.02.2021	11.05.2034	
15	15	258	Dr. Kauser Edappagath	Service	Kerala	Kerala	25.02.2021	24.05.2030	
16	16	264	Abdul Rahim Musaliar Badharudeen	Service	Kerala	Kerala	25.06.2021	28.05.2030	
17	17	266	Viju Abraham	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	13.08.2021	10.09.2034	
18	18	267	Mohammed Nias C. Puthiyapurayil	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	13.08.2021	15.04.2032	
19	19	273	Basant Balaji	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	08.10.2021	27.05.2034	
20	20	310	C. Jayachandran	Service	Kerala	Kerala	20.10.2021	27.05.2034	
21	21	364	Shoba Annamma Eapen (Smt.)	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	18.05.2022	18.01.2029	
22	22	529	Johnson John	Service	Kerala	Kerala	25.10.2023	28.04.2027	
23	23	530	G. Girish	Service	Kerala	Kerala	25.10.2023	16.05.2029	
24	24	549	Mullappally Abdul Aziz Abdul Hakhim	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	22.03.2024	07.05.2031	
25	25	550	Syam Kumar Vadakke Mudavakkat	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	22.03.2024	31.12.2034	
26	26	551	Harisankar Vijayan Menon	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	22.03.2024	03.04.2036	
27	27	552	Manu Sreedharan Nair	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	22.03.2024	26.05.2036	
28	28	553	Easwaran Subramani	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	22.03.2024	29.09.2036	
29	29	554	Manoj Pulamby Madhavan	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	22.03.2024	03.05.2034	
30	30	574	Parameswara Panicker Krishna Kumar	Service	Kerala	Kerala	30.10.2024	24.05.2037	
31	31	575	Kodassery Veliyath Madom Jayakumar	Service	Kerala	Kerala	30.10.2024	20.05.2035	
32	32	576	Muralee Krishna Shankaramoole	Service	Kerala	Kerala	30.10.2024	23.05.2038	
33	33	577	Jobin Sebastian	Service	Kerala	Kerala	30.10.2024	26.04.2037	

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34	34	578	Pandikkaran Varadaraja Iyer Balakrishnan	Service	Kerala	Kerala	30.10.2024	22.03.2037	
35	35	741	Preeta Aravindan Krishnamma (Smt.) Addl.	Bar	Kerala	Kerala	27.04.2026	10.03.2036	Addl. Judge

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Collegium of the Kerala High Court

As on 22.11.2026.

Role	Hon'ble Justice	Retirement
Chief Justice	Soumen Sen	26.07.2027
Member	Ala Kunnil Jayasankaran Nambiar	26.01.2028
Member	Anil Kalavampara Narendran	04.05.2029

Projected from the present sitting list, through 22.11.2027: On 26.07.2027 the Chief Justice, Justice Soumen Sen, retires.

Senior-most judge of the Kerala Parent High Court*

Projected order in which judges of this Parent High Court become its senior-most judge (PHC-S 1), from Parent High Court Seniority and dates of retirement. Judges who will retire before they could become the senior-most are omitted.

- 1* · Justice Ala Kunnil Jayasankaran Nambiar · now - 26.01.2028
- 2* · Justice Anil Kalavampara Narendran · 27.01.2028 - 04.05.2029
- 3* · Justice Muhamed Mustaque Ayumantakath · 05.05.2029 - 31.05.2029
- 4* · Justice Sathish Ninan · 01.06.2029 - 31.03.2030
- 5* · Justice Conrad Stansilaus Dias · 01.04.2030 - 18.11.2031
- 6* · Justice Gopinath Puzhankara · 19.11.2031 - 12.11.2034
- 7* · Justice Syam Kumar Vadakke Mudavakkat · 13.11.2034 - 31.12.2034
- 8* · Justice Harisankar Vijayan Menon · 01.01.2035 - 03.04.2036
- 9* · Justice Manu Sreedharan Nair · 04.04.2036 - 26.05.2036
- 10* · Justice Easwaran Subramani · 27.05.2036 - 29.09.2036
- 11* · Justice Parameswara Panicker Krishna Kumar · 30.09.2036 - 24.05.2037
- 12* · Justice Muralee Krishna Shankaramoole · 25.05.2037 - 23.05.2038

** LawInC projection as on 22.11.2026; not an official list. A later appointment, transfer, resignation or elevation to the Supreme Court would alter it.*

Transferred to other High Courts (2)

Including those serving as Chief Justice or as a puisne judge of another High Court. Their Parent High Court Seniority is unchanged.

SHC-S	PHC-S	AIS	Hon'ble Justice	Bar / Service	Sitting HC	PHC	Appointment	Retirement	Remarks
1	3	24	Muhamed Mustaque Ayumantakath Chief Justice	Bar	Sikkim	Kerala	23.01.2014	31.05.2029	Chief Justice w.e.f. 05.01.2026
2	5	36	Anu Sivaraman (Smt.)	Bar	Karnataka	Kerala	10.04.2015	24.05.2028	

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Transferred from other High Courts (2)

Sitting judges of this Court whose Parent High Court is another High Court (transferred in). Their Parent High Court Seniority (PHC-S) is that of their Parent High Court, among sitting judges.

Hon'ble Justice	Bar / Service	PHC	PHC-S
Soumen Sen	Bar	Calcutta	1
J. Nisha Banu (Smt.)	Bar	Madras	7

PHC: Parent High Court. PHC-S: Parent High Court Seniority among sitting judges.

Chief Justice (1)

Sl.	Hon'ble Justice	High Court	Appointment	Retirement
1	Muhamed Mustaque Ayumantakath	Sikkim	05.01.2026	31.05.2029

Hon'ble Judge of Supreme Court (1)

SC seniority	Hon'ble Justice	Appointment	Retirement	Remarks
23	K. Vinod Chandran	16.01.2025	24.04.2028	—

CJI: Chief Justice of India.

** Likely to be CJI as per seniority*