

Supreme Court frees Kerala Waqf Board from State supervision

The Supreme Court passed an order allowing judicial intervention in the management disputes of the Kerala Waqf Board.

The Kerala Waqf Board is a statutory body responsible for the administration of Waqf properties in Kerala.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The **Supreme Court** liberated the **Kerala Waqf Board** from the supervision of a State official.
- The ruling indicates that **judicial intervention** is possible in cases of “egregious” interference in a **statutory body**’s day-to-day management.
- A **three-judge Bench** headed by **Chief Justice of India Surya Kant** passed the order.
- The order was passed on Tuesday, **July 21, 2026**.
- The Board’s appeal was against an interim order of the **Kerala High Court** on **July 15**.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

Waqf Boards in India are constituted under the **Waqf Act, 1995**.

Waqf properties are permanent endowments made by **Muslim individuals** for **religious, pious, or charitable purposes**.

The **Supreme Court of India** is the **highest judicial authority** and the **final court of appeal** under the Constitution of India.

Article 136 of the Indian Constitution grants the **Supreme Court** **special leave to appeal** from any judgment or order from any court or tribunal.

The **Chief Justice of India** (CJI) is the **head of the Supreme Court** of India and is appointed by the **President of India**.

Statutory bodies are governmental or non-governmental organizations established by a specific **Act of Parliament or State Legislature**.

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Supreme Court frees Kerala Waqf Board from state supervision, allowing judicial intervention.

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