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THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 26-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

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- 1.P.Alex
- 2.A.Ajith Kumar
- 3.R.Pushparaj
- 4.P.Nagarajan
- 5.A.Balamurugan

Vs.

1.The Government of Tamil Nadu,
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(TP-1) Department, Fort St.George,
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Chennai-600028.

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4.The Accountant General (A&E),
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2.P.Jagan
3.C.Jaikumar
4.A.Sivan
5.M.Vineeshkumar
6.P.Yapu Suresh Pal
7.T.Thangappan
8.M.Gopal
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Keezhakulam Town Panchayat,
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Nalloor Town Panchayat,
Marthandam Post,
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Vellimalai Town Panchayat,
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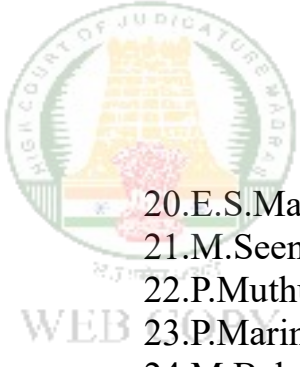
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..Respondent(s)

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- 1.K.Murugesan
- 2.R.Panchalingam
- 3.M.Murali
- 4.R.Rangarajan
- 5.S.Dhandapani
- 6.P.Karuvanrayan
- 7.V.Vijayakumar
- 8.R.Sasikumar
- 9.K.Shanmugan
- 10.K.Balan
- 11.V.Suresh Babu
- 12.V.Rajesh
- 13.C.Sankar
- 14.M.Sathya Moorthy
- 15.P.Harikrishnan
- 16.G.Manikandan
- 17.A.Sivasangaran
- 18.N.Dhanan seliyan
- 19.K.Mahalingam



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COMMON ORDER

Since the issue involved in all the Writ Petitions being one and the same, all these Petitions are taken up for final disposal by way of common order.



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2. These Writ Petitions have been filed challenging G.O.(Ms) No.139, Municipal Administration and Water Supply (TP.1) Department, dated 03.10.2022 issued by the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply, whereby the services of the petitioners are proposed to be outsourced to private

3. The petitioners are working as temporary Solid Waste Management Drivers under various Town Panchayats on daily wage basis. It is the case of the petitioners that, despite having rendered more than ten years of service, their services have not been regularized. On the contrary, the 1st respondent has passed the impugned G.O.(Ms) No.139, Municipal Administration and Water Supply (TP.1) Department, dated 03.10.2022 permitting town panchayats to carry out such activities through contract basis thereby outsourcing the services of the petitioners to private contractors. Aggrieved by which, the present Writ Petitions have been filed.

4. Though a larger relief has been sought for in these Writ Petitions, at the time of arguments, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners confined his prayer and submitted that, it would suffice, if this Court permits the petitioners to make representations in terms of G.O(Ms).No.199, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department dated 12.08.1997 and the respondents may be directed



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to consider and pass orders on the same.

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5. On the above contention, this Court, heard the learned counsel appearing for the respondents and perused the materials available on records.

6. Considering the limited relief sought for in these Writ Petitions, this Court without interfering with the impugned order, directs the petitioners to submit a representation to the respondents in terms of G.O.Ms.No.199, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department dated 12.08.1997 within a period of two (2) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Upon receipt of such representation, the respective town panchayat authorities are directed to consider the same in the light of G.O.Ms.No.199, dated 12.08.1997 and thereafter, pass appropriate orders within a period of eight (8) weeks thereafter.

7. With the above direction, the Writ Petitions are disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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