



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 18.12.2020

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

Writ Petition (MD)No.8520 of 2017

and

W.M.P(MD) No.6493 of 2017

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S.Kandasamy

...Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Government of Tamil Nadu,
Rep by its Secretary,
Finance (Salaries) Department,
Saint George Fort,
Chennai.
- 2.The District Collector,
Collectorate, Dindigul.
- 3.The Joint Director of Medical & Rural Health Services,
Collectorate,
Dindigul.
- 4.The District Treasury Officer,
District Treasury,
Dindigul.
- 5.The Authorized Officer,
United India Insurance Co.Ltd.,
Divisional Office VI,
Pla Rathna Towers,
5th Floor, 212 Anna Salai,
Chennai-6.
- 6.The Block Development Officer,
Panchayat Union,
Palani.
- 7.The District Co-ordinator,
MD India Health Care Service Private Ltd.,
AK Towers, 74/5, Siluvathcor Road,
Kamarajar Kalyana Mandapam Opposite,
Dindigul.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records relating to Moo.Mu.No.5017/2015/F2 dated 07.03.2017 passed by the second respondent and quash the same and consequently direct the respondents 1 to 4 and 7 to release the medical reimbursement of Rs.1,47,769/- and Rs.1,03,071/- totally Rs.2,50,840



and pay to him as recommended by the authorities along with interest within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Mohan
For R-1 to R-4 : Mr.K.P.Narayanakumar
Special Government Pleader
Mr.A.Shajahan for R5 & R7

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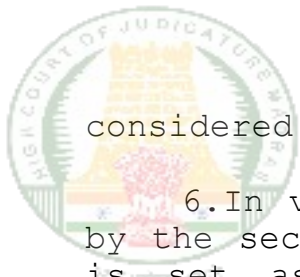
This writ petition has been filed challenging the impugned order passed by the second respondent in Moo.Mu.No.5017/2015/F2 dated 07.03.2017 whereby the second respondent rejected the claim of the petitioner for reimbursement of the medical expenses of Rs.2,50,840/- on the ground the treatment was taken in non network hospital.

2.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that on 19.12.2014, the petitioner met with a road accident. Therefore, the petitioner has taken a treatment in non network hospital, which is an urgent requirement. This aspect was not considered by the respondents, while passing the impugned order. That apart, he has taken treatment from professionally qualified Doctor in the hospital and the amount spent by the petitioner is also reasonable. Therefore, he is entitled for medical reimbursement.

3.The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 4 would submit that in a batch of writ petition in W.P.(MD).Nos.21950 of 2016 etc., dated 16.12.2020, this Court has passed a detailed order with regard to the treatment taken in non network hospital how it should be treated and how it should be decided and on the same line, the order may be passed.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 4 and perused the materials available on record.

5.This Court has already passed an order in a batch of writ petitions in W.P.(MD).Nos.21950 of 2016 etc., dated 16.12.2020 wherever the treatment has taken in a non network hospital, the District Level Empowered Committee should pass a detailed order by taking into consideration of the necessity of the medical expense and emergency situation and that apart, the reasonable amount spent for medical expenses and the treatment provided by the qualified medical practitioner. These aspects should be considered for reimbursement of the medical claim and the respondents should not reject the claim in a mechanical manner stating that the treatment has been taken in non-net work hospital. On perusal of the impugned order, it appears that all the above aspects have not been



considered by the second respondent, while passing the order.

6. In view of the above observations, the impugned order passed by the second respondent in Moo.Mu.No.5017/2015/F2 dated 07.03.2017 is set aside and the matter is remanded back to the second respondent, who in turn shall send the particulars to the District Level Empowered Committee for fresh consideration, to pass necessary orders in the light of the order passed by this Court in W.P.(MD). Nos.21950 of 2016 etc., dated 16.12.2020. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is allowed. No cost. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

Sd/-

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To

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3.The Joint Director of Medical & Rural Health Services,
Collectorate, Dindigul.

4.The District Treasury Officer,
District Treasury,Dindigul.

5.The Block Development officer, Panchayat Union, palani

+1CC to M/s.SPL GP,SR.No.26849 dated 22/12/2020

+1CC to Mr.A.Shajahan,Advocate,SR.No.26418 dated 21/12/2020

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