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WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **29.08.2022**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH**

W.P.(MD)No.1991 of 2022

Sudha.S.J

... Petitioner

/vs./

- 1.The Secretary to Government,
Finance (Salaries) Department,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Fort St George,
Chennai-600 009.
- 2.The District Collector,
Kanyakumari District,
Nagercoil.
- 3.The Joint Director,
Medical and Rural Health Services,
Kottar, Nagercoil,
Kanyakumari District.
- 4.The Divisional Manager,
United India Insurance Company Limited,
Divisional Office,
5th Floor, Pla Retna Towers,
No.212. Annasalai,
Chennai - 600 006.



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5. The District Level Empowered Committee,
Headed by the District Collector,
Kanyakumari District.

... Respondents

(R5 is suo motu impleaded vide Order of this Court dated 29.08.22.)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing respondents to reimburse the medical expenses of Rs.91,786/- incurred by the petitioner for taking medical treatment at PRS Hospital, Killippalam, Trivandrum.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Christenson Jugunu

For Respondents : Mrs.D.Farjana Ghoushia

Special Government Pleader (For R1 to R3, R5)

Mr.I.Robert Chandrakumar (For R4)

ORDER

When the matter is taken up for hearing, the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner's claim for medical reimbursement is pending before the District Level Empowered Committee (hereinafter referred to as “DLEC” for brevity), which is the Committee constituted by the Government headed by the District Collector, having the Joint Director of Medical and Rural Health Services Department, the District Treasury Officer and an official representative of the Insurance Company as members and that if a direction is



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given to the DLEC to dispose of the claim within the timeframe, the petitioner would be satisfied.

2.In view of the above, the District Level Empowered Committee, Headed by the District Collector, Kanyakumari District, is suo-motu impleaded as fifth respondent.

3.Accordingly, there shall be a direction to the fifth respondent / DLEC to dispose and pass appropriate orders, in the case of petitioner herein, on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. This Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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