



W.P.(MD) No.1590 of 2018

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 14.09.2022

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.MAHADEVAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE J.SATHYA NARAYANA PRASAD**

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A.M.Sundaravel

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The Principal Secretary
Public Works Department
Secretariate
Government of Tamilnadu
Chennai-9
- 2.The Principal Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Chepauk, Chennai-5
- 3.The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Water Source Organisation
Madurai Region, Madurai
- 4.The Executive Engineer
Special Project Division
Nanguneri, Tirunelveli



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5.Sampath Kumar (Retired)
Chief Engineer
Water Resource Organisation
Public Works Department
Madurai

6.The National Water Development Agency
New Delhi

... Respondents

[R5 is *suo motu* impleaded vide order dated 29.01.2018 and R6 is impleaded vide order dated 14.03.2019]

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus to direct the respondents to take steps on the petitioner's representation given to the second respondent, the copies to the Chief Minister Cell and the first respondent, on 23.09.2016, within a time stipulated by this Court and to punish the officials who were made loss to the government money.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.M.Sundaravel
Party-in-Person

For Respondents : Mr.S.P.Maharajan
Special Government Pleader for R1 to R4
Mr.V.Illanchezian for R5



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ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by R.MAHADEVAN, J.]

The prayer in this writ petition is for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to punish the persons, who made loss to the State Exchequer, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 23.09.2016.

2. According to the petitioner, in the flood canal project works carried out through the Special Project Taluk and Special Projection Division, Nangunery, Public Works Department, Tirunelveli, several illegalities and irregularities have been taken place, resulting in heavy loss to the State Exchequer.

3. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 4 submitted that the allegations made by the petitioner are not true and baseless and if required, the Authorities would inspect the site in the presence of the petitioner and if any irregularity is found, necessary action would be taken against the official concerned.



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4. In view of the above submission, the Authority concerned shall conduct inspection in the site in question in the presence of the petitioner and find out as to whether any irregularity has been taken place as alleged by the petitioner and if so, take necessary action against the official concerned in the manner known law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

[R.M.D., J.] [J.S.N.P., J.]

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