



W.P. No. 6453 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 09.03.2023

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.D. AUDIKESAVALU

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1. S.Thanga Durai
2. P.T.Palaniappan
3. A.K.Bharathidasan
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5. P.Murugesan
6. M.Ravichandran
7. N.Vallavan
8. R.Varadarajan
9. V.Sivaraman
10. M.Mahalingam
11. G.Baskaradass
12. C.Krishnamurthy
13. V.Natarajan
14. M.Elangovan
15. P.Natarajan



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16. V.Natarajan

17. K.Sekar

18. R.Kaliyaperumal

19. M.Pichai

20. K.Rajarathinam

21. G.Ranganathan

22. A.Kumar

23. S.Rangasamy

24. S.Ganapathy

25. D.Ravichandran

26. T.Krishnamurthy

27. N.Muniyandi

28. S.Thiruselvam

29. R.Janakiraman

30. P.Udayakumar

31. J.Selvam

32. L.Selvaraj

33. K.Perumal

34. D.Gopal

35. R.Jayachandran

... Petitioners



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1. The Secretary to Government,
Agricultural Engineering Department,
Fort St.George,
Chennai – 600009.
2. The Secretary to Government,
Finance Department,
Fort St.George,
Chennai – 600009.
3. The Chief Engineer,
(Agricultural Engineering),
No. 487, Anna Salai,
Nandanam,
Chennai – 600035.

... Respondents

Prayer:- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, 1950, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the Respondents to dispose of the Petitioners' representations dated 30.01.2023.

For Petitioners	:	Mr. S.Ilamvaludhi
For Respondents	:	Mr. K.Karthick Jeganath, Government Advocate

ORDER

Heard Mr. S.Ilamvaludhi, Learned Counsel for the Petitioners and Mr. K.Karthick Jeganath, Learned Government Advocate, who takes notice for the Respondents, and perused the materials placed on record, apart from the pleadings of the parties.



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2. The grievance ventilated by the Petitioners is that they had made representations dated 30.01.2023 to the First Respondent seeking pay parity, but as it did not evoke any response, they have filed this Writ Petition.

3. Having regard to the limited nature of relief sought, this Court without expressing any view on the correctness or entitlement of the claim made by the Petitioners, passes the following order:-

- (i) the concerned authority shall immediately examine the representation dated 30.01.2023 made by the Petitioners including ascertaining as to whether the Petitioners would be entitled for the relief claimed;
- (ii) if it is found that any other details or supporting documents is necessary, the deficiencies in that regard shall be informed in writing to the Petitioners requiring the same to be furnished within a time frame of not less than 15 days for the same;
- (iii) in the event of not being satisfied with the requirements even thereafter, an enquiry shall be conducted affording full opportunity of personal hearing to the Petitioners and all other persons concerned to explain their position in that regard;



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(iv) a reasoned order shall be passed dealing with each of the contentions

raised on merits and in accordance with law and the decision taken communicated by 31.08.2023 under written acknowledgment;

(v) if the Petitioners are found entitled to any monetary benefits, the same shall be paid along with working-sheet showing its calculation within a period of three months from the date of passing of that order; and

(vi) the report of such compliance shall be filed before the Registrar (Judicial) of this Court.

4. In the result, the Writ Petition is disposed on the aforesaid terms. No costs.

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Note: Issue order copy by 02.06.2023.

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Fort St.George,
Chennai – 600009.



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