



W.P(MD)No.26981 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 09.11.2023

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE **M.SUNDAR**
and
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE **R.SAKTHIVEL**

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.. Petitioner

VS

- 1.State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by,
The Principal Secretary to the Government,
Department of Rural Development and Panchayath Raj,
State of Tamil Nadu,
Fort St. George,
Chennai – 600 009.
- 2.The District Collector,
District Collectorate,
Tirunelveli – 627 201.
- 3.The Project Director,
District Rural Development Agency,
District Collectorate Campus,
Tirunelveli – 627 201.
- 4.The Tahsildar,
Manoor Taluk,
Tirunelveli District.



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5.The Block Development Officer,
BDO Office,
Manoor Block,
Tirunelveli District.

6.The Commissioner,
Maanoor Panchayath Union,
Tirunelveli District.

7.The Inspector of Police,
Gangaikondan Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.

8.The Panchayath President,
Pallikottai Panchayath,
Tirunelveli District.

.. Respondents

Prayer:- Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent Nos.3, 4, 5 and 6 to expeditiously execute the work of laying separate drinking water pipeline to Alavanthankulam Village from the common well as per the order of the respondent No.6 in Na.Ka.No.A2/1202/2022 dated 02.01.2023 by considering the representation of the petitioner dated 25.09.2023 in accordance with law within the time stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.R.Alagumani
For Respondent Nos.1 to 6 : Mr.M.Senthil Ayyanar
Government Advocate
For Respondent No.7 : Mr.S.Ravi
Additional Public Prosecutor
For Respondent No.8 : Mr.M.Harish Kumar

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by M.SUNDAR, J.]

Captioned 'Writ Petition' [hereinafter 'WP' for the sake of brevity] which has been filed in this Court on 31.10.2023 as a 'Public Interest Litigation' [hereinafter 'PIL' for the sake of brevity] pertains to 'laying of pipelines for water from Alavanthankulam Village, Siluvai Temple well to the overhead water tank' [hereinafter 'said order' for the sake of brevity].

2.Mr.R.Alagumani, learned counsel on record for PIL petitioner, submitted that a work order has been issued vide proceedings dated 02.01.2023 in Na.Ka.No.A2/1202/2022 made by fifth respondent.



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Learned counsel submitted that though work order was issued in January 2023, the matter lies there and he is concerned for general citizenry who gets benefits if said work is done.

3.Issue notice.

4.Mr.M.Senthil Ayyanar, learned Government Advocate accepts notice for respondents 1 to 6, Mr.S.Ravi, learned Additional Public Prosecutor accepts notice for respondent No.7 and Mr.M.Harish Kumar, learned counsel accepts notice for respondent No.8.

5.Mr.M.Senthil Ayyanar, learned Government Advocate, on instructions from the fifth respondent who is present in Court, submits that pursuant to aforesaid 02.01.2023 proceedings issuing work order to a person who has quoted less than L1 has moved further, a contract has been made and preliminary work has commenced. This by itself means that the concern of the PIL petitioner has been addressed. Therefore, we draw the curtains on the captioned WP / PIL.



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6.Captioned WP / PIL is disposed of as closed capturing the stated position

of the respondents more particularly fifth respondent. There shall be no order as to costs.

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(M.S.,J.) (R.S.V.,J.)
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1. The District Collector,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi.
2. The Tahsildar,
Srivaikundam Taluk,
Srivaikundam,
Thoothukudi District.
3. The Block Development Officer (Village Panchayats),
Karunkulam Panchayat Union @ Seithunganallur,
Thoothukudi District – 628 809.
4. The Deputy Development Officer (Village Panchayats),
Karunkulam Panchayat Union @ Seithunganallur,
Thoothukudi District – 628 809.
5. Village Administrative Officer,
Manakkarai Village,
Srivaikundam Taluk,
Thoothukudi District – 628 252.



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