



W.P(MD)No.30414 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 20.12.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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D.Thiyagarajan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
Collector Office,
Thanjavur District.

2.The Deputy Director General (Rural Housing),
Ministry of Rural Development,
Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi – 110 011.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to conduct enquiry and take appropriate action against the erred officials and ensure the benefits of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Gramin (PMAY-G) Scheme to the petitioner based on the petitioner's representations dated on 01.02.2023, 05.11.2023 and 04.12.2023.



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For Petitioner : Mr.A.Senthilkumar

For Respondents : Mr.K.Balasubramani
Special Government Pleader for R.1

ORDER

Heard both sides.

2.The specific allegation of the petitioner is that a sum of Rs. 1,20,000/- was credited in his name and the said amount was withdrawn by the President of the local body. He was not aware of the same. Misappropriation appears to be too obvious. It is also stated that similar instances have been reported in the very same village. In this regard, a complaint was lodged by one Thiagarajan. The project officer has called for explanation in this regard. Copy of the notice dated 06.12.2023 in Na.Ka.No. 2636/2019/A10 has been produced before me.

3.The first respondent is directed to conduct detailed enquiry in this regard. Due process of law will be followed. Responsibility will be fixed. Criminal cases shall be registered. I am issuing a continuing mandamus so that the first respondent will see to it that the persons who



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had misappropriated the amounts are brought to book. The entire exercise shall be completed by the first respondent within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Simultaneously, the jurisdictional police also should file final report and cognizance also taken. The trial itself shall be completed within a period of 12 months thereafter.

4.The Writ Petition is allowed accordingly. There shall be no order as to costs.

20.12.2023

NCC : Yes/No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes/ No
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