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W.P.Nos.17607 & 19907 of 2022

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS**

**DATED: 19.03.2024**

**CORAM :**

**THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH**

**W.P.Nos.17607 & 19907 of 2022**

S.Rajendiran

.. Petitioner in both W.P.'s

VS

1.The Chairperson,  
Government of Puducherry,  
Child Welfare Committee,  
OHSS, Ariyankuppam,  
Puducherry – 605 007.

2.The Welfare Officer,  
Government of Puducherry,  
O/o.Observation Home and Special School,  
Ariyankuppam,  
Puducherry – 605 007.

3.The Director,  
Department of Women and  
Child Development,  
Housing Board Complex,  
(Opp. To LIC), New Saram,  
Puducherry -605013

.. Respondents in W.P.No.17607 of 2022

1.Union of India,  
Rep. by the Chief Secretary to Government,  
Government of Puducherry,  
Chief Secretariat,  
Gubert Avenue  
Puducherry – 605 001.



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2.The Inspector General of Prison,  
Government of Puducherry,  
WRJP & 84P, White Town,  
Puducherry – 605 001.

3.The Chief Superintendent of Jail,  
Government of Puducherry,  
Central Prison,  
Kalapet,  
Puducherry – 605 014.  
of 2022

.. Respondents in W.P.No.19907

**PRAYER IN W.P.No.17607 of 2022:** Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of Mandamus, directing the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 02.12.2021 and to direct the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent to disburse the remaining amount of Rs.27,000/- to the petitioner immediately.

**PRAYER IN W.P.No.19907 of 2022:** Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents 2 and 3 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 04.04.2022 and 12.05.2022 respectively and to direct the respondents 2 and 3 to disburse the Honorarium at an early date to the petitioner as he is a Resource Person.

In both W.P.'s  
For Petitioner : Ms.R.Kalaiyarasi

For Respondents : Mr.R.Sreedhar  
Additional Government Pleader (Puducherry)





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*be made forthwith and fate of the same be reported to the Court on the next date of hearing.*

*7. List on 19.03.2024.'*

2.Today, the respondents circulate a copy of the guidelines issued for matters relating to Child Welfare Committees (CWC) in Puducherry, including the sitting fees of the Chairperson and Members.

3.Annexure XI dealing with Construction and Maintenance Grant and Recurring Expenditure are clear to the effect that the budget for Travelling/Meeting Allowance for honorarium to the Chairperson has been fixed at Rs.1000/- per meeting per member for 4 members (Rs.1000 X 12 meetings per month X 12 months x 4 members).

4.The amount has been enhanced to Rs.1500/- and the petitioner is stated to have been paid the honorarium at the enhanced rate of Rs.1500/- per meeting. Anything over and above the same, would be out of budget.

5.As rightly pointed out, the petitioner would have been well aware of the guidelines, particularly as he is holding the position of Chairperson of the Committee. In these circumstances, this Court does not find any cause to intervene in WP.No.17607 of 2022.

6.As far as WP.No.19907 of 2022 is concerned, proceedings bearing No.01/CM/JD/CSJ/2023-2024 dated 18.03.2024 has been issued by the Chief Superintendent of Jails, Puducherry to the Inspector General



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of Prisons, Puducherry as well as the Under Secretary to Government (Home), Chief Scretariat, Puducherry, recommending honorarium to the petitioner. A copy of the same has been forwarded to the petitioner as well. Let the petitioner pursue the same with the authorities and a decision be taken in this regard within a period of sixteen (16) weeks from date of receipt of a copy of this order, after hearing the petitioner.

7.WP.No.17607 of 2022 stands dismissed and WP.No.19907 of 2022 stands disposed. No costs.

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Index:Yes/No  
Speaking Order  
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