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W.P.No.32188 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28.06.2024

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

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S.Sundari

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Assistant Divisional Manager,
Postal Life Insurance,
Office of the Chief Post Master General,
Tamilnadu Circle, Chennai 600 002
- 2.Director of Postal Services,
Tamilnadu Central Region,
Tiruchirappalli 620 001
- 3.The Post Master,
Postal Life Insurance,
Head Post Office,
Tirukoyilur, Kallakurichi District

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the third respondent to settle the postal life insurance assured sum of Rs.5,00,000/- (five lakhs only) vide policy no.0000001476167 to the petitioner with interest till realization and within the stipulated time as may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Murugan

For Respondents : Mr.T.L.Thirumalaisamy,
Central Government Standing Counsel



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ORDER

This writ petition has been for direction to the third respondent settle the postal life insurance for a sum of Rs.5,00,000/-.

2. The petitioner's husband had taken a postal life insurance with the third respondent on 11.10.2017 for the policy No.0000001476167 for the sum assured Rs.5,00,000/-. The monthly premium was Rs.2,475/-. While being so, he died due to covid-19 and claim was made under the policy. However, the claim is still pending with the third respondent.

3. On perusal of the counter affidavit filed by the respondents revealed that since the petitioner's husband died within a period of two years from the date of the policy, and as such, only after conducting enquiry, it will be considered.

4. In view of the above, the respondents are directed to consider the claim of the petitioner for the demise of her husband due to Covid 19 and, after conducting enquiry, to pass orders on the claim submitted by



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the petitioner to disburse the insured amount within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order. The petitioner is also directed to produce all the documents of her husband's demise such as death certificate and discharge summary, if any.

5. With the above directions, this writ petition is disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs.

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