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W.P.No.3472 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 10.10.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

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and

W.M.P.Nos.3727 and 3729 of 2024

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1.Chennai Metro Water Supply and Sewerage Board,
Rep by Area Engineer – V,
No.1, Pumping Station Road,
Chennai – 600 002.

2.The Depot Engineer,
Depot No.58,
Chennai Metro Water Supply & Sewage Board,
Chennai – 600 008.

3.The Senior Accounts Officer,
Area Officer – V, No.1,
Chennai Metro Water Supply & Sewage Board,
M.C.Road, Chennai – 600 021.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of a Writ of Certiorari, to call for the records of the 2nd and 3rd Respondents respectively in CMC.No.5/058/01906/000 being arrears slip of tax & charges dated 22.07.2023 and 09.08.2023 intimating an arrear of water



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tax of Rs.13,34,314/- for the period 2018/12 to 2023/06 relating to subject property bearing No.79/1, Hunters Road, Vepery, Chennai – 600 007.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Sathish Kumar

For Respondents : Mrs.Vijayalakshmi
Standing Counsel

ORDER

The Petitioner has challenged the impugned demand notice dated 22.07.2023, wherein a sum of Rs.13,21,435/- has been demanded towards Tax and arrears of Water Charges as detailed below:-

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வரி	ரூபாய்	குடிநீர் கட்டணம்	ரூபாய்
Tax Arrear	1646	Charges Arrear	12,93,544/-
Surcharge	-	Surcharge	26,245/-
		Total	13,21,435/-

The aforesaid demand is a composite demand for the period between December 2018 - June 2023.

2. The learned Standing Counsel for the Respondents confirms that the Petitioner has made further payments for the aforesaid period and in all has



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paid a sum of Rs.9,00,000/-. Thus, a sum of Rs.4,21,435/- is due from the Petitioner for the aforesaid period (Rs.13,21,435/- (-) Rs.9,00,000/-).

3. The learned Standing Counsel for the Respondents submits that for the succeeding period, the Petitioner is still in arrears and thus as on date, the arrears of water charges payable by the Petitioner is Rs.6,36,120/- as of June, 2025. It is submitted that further amount is also payable till the month of October, 2025.

4. On the other hand, the learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that only a sum of Rs.50,000/- is due and therefore the impugned proceedings are liable to be interfered with. That apart, it is submitted that the impugned demand has been made in the name of the dead person namely the Petitioner's father and therefore on this count also the impugned demand notice is liable to be quashed.

5. Having considered the submission made by the learned counsel for the Petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the Respondents, this Writ Petition is disposed of by directing the Respondents to consider the



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Petitioner's representation subject to the Petitioner depositing another sum of Rs.4,00,000/-, within a period of 30 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and out of the purpose of arrears of Rs.6,36,122/- as of June, 2025.

6. Subject to the Petitioner complying with the above requirements, the Respondents shall thereafter proceed to pass a fresh order on merits after hearing the Petitioner.

7. The Petitioner shall also take steps to alter the name of assessee with the Respondents, as the Petitioner's father died as early as 1992.

8. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the above observations.
No costs. Connected Writ Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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Neutral Citation : Yes / No

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