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W.P.No.12148 of 2019

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 09.10.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN

W.P.No.12148 of 2019

and

WMP.No.12428 of 2019

Thiruvikraman

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Arbitrator Cum District Collector,
Villupuram District, Villupuram.

2.The Competent Authority and
Special District Revenue Officer, (Land Acquisition),
National Highways -68,
Salem -4.

3.The Project Director,
National Highways Authority of India,
Narasothipatti, Salem.

...Respondents

Prayer:- Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the entire records relating to the impugned order passed by the 1st respondent in her proceedings Na.Ka.(Arbit) B2 /2895 /2016, dated 04/11/2016 and



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quash the same and consequently directing the 1st respondent to entertain the appeal filed by the petitioner on 31/10/2016 and dispose the same on merits.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Prakasam

For Respondents : Mr.M.R.Gokul Krishnan,AGP,
for R.1 & R.2.

: Mr.Su.Srinivasan for
R.3

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed challenging the order passed by the 1st respondent dated 04.11.2016 thereby dismissed the appeal filed by the petitioner on the ground of laches.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

3. The petitioner's lands were acquired for the purpose of widening the road under the National Highways Act. After receipt of the compensation, the petitioner filed an appeal for enhancement of compensation three years after the passing of the Award. Admittedly, the petitioner submitted the appeal beyond the prescribed period of limitation.



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The petitioner had filed the application under Section 3G(5) of the National Highways Act, 1956, which provides a limitation period of three years, however, the petitioner filed the appeal after a period of six years.

4. Therefore, the 1st respondent has rightly dismissed the appeal filed by the petitioner and this Court finds no infirmity or illegality in the order passed by the 1st respondent dated 04.11.2025.

5. Accordingly, the Writ Petition stands dismissed. No costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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Index : Yes/No
Speaking Order: Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
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