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W.P.No.22326 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 24.06.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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M.Govindarajan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
District Collector Office,
Tiruvarur District.

2.The Rural Development Officer,
Rural Development Office,
Mannargudi,
Tiruvarur.

3.The Block Development Officer,
Mannargudi Panchayat Union,
Mannargudi,
Tiruvarur.

... Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 2 to 3 to take immediate action to give pensionary benefits to the petitioner by considering his representation dated 18.03.2025.



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For Petitioner	: Mr.K.Jayaraman
For R1 and R2	: Mr.R.U.Dinesh Raj Kumar Additional Government Pleader
For R3	: Mr.R.Sasikumar Government Advocate

ORDER

By consent of both the learned counsel for the parties, the Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal, at the admission stage itself.

2. The instant writ petition has been filed with a prayer for issuing a Mandamus, directing the respondents 2 to 3 to take immediate action to give pensionary benefits to the petitioner by considering his representation dated 18.03.2025.

3. Heard the learned counsel for both sides and perused the materials available on record.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has joined as a Panchayat Assistant in the year 1986 and he



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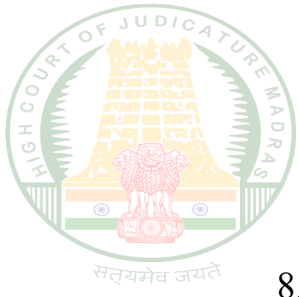
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retired from service on 30.12.2006. The learned counsel for the petitioner would further submit that he is entitled for pensionary benefits in line with G.O.Ms.No.314, Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated 25th October 2017. In this connection, he has sent a representation dated 18.03.2025 to the respondents 1 and 3 and the same is still pending with them.

5. However, the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 and 2 would strongly object the contention of the petitioner and would submit that having retired during 2006, sending a representation after 18 years, is nothing but creating a cause of action upon a stale claim.

6. However, the learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is claiming pensionary benefits in pursuance of G.O.Ms.No.314, Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated 25th October 2017, therefore, would contend that this is not a stale claim.

7. Whatever stated, the petitioner's representation dated 18.03.2025 is yet to be considered by the respondents 1 and 3.



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8. In such view of the matter, without going into the merits of the writ petition, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the respondents concerned to consider the petitioner's representation dated 18.03.2025 and pass orders on it's own merits and in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

9. With the above direction, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Speaking order /Non Speaking Order

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