



WP No. 31390 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22-08-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE N. MALA

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1. R.Kavitha

W/o.Ravi, 418, Vnp Nagar, Kollidam
Post, Sirkazhi Taluk Mayiladuthurai
District, Tamil Nadu-609 102.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Chief Secretary

Public Works Department, Secretariat,
Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600009.

2.The Commissioner

Directorate Of Rural Development And
Panchayat Raj, Panagal Building,
Saidapet, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600
015.

3.The Collector

Mayiladuthurai Collectorate,
Mayiladuthurai District, Tamil Nadu-
609 001.

4.The Project Director

District Rural Development Agency,



Mayiladuthurai Collectorate,
Mayiladuthurai District, Tamil Nadu-
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5.The Blockd Evelopment Officer
(rural Development And Panchayat Raj)
Kollidam Panchayat Union, Kollidam,
Mayiladuthurai District, Tamil Nadu-
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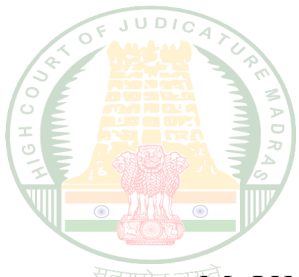
Respondent(s)

PRAYER

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the 5th respondent to consider and dispose of the representation of the petitioner dated 26.06.2025 in strict compliance with the reference order bearing No. Naa. Kaa. No.2621/ 2025/ A8 dated 17.07.2025 issued by the 4th respondent and to grant refund of the amounts deducted towards Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Additional Earnest Money Deposit (AEMD) and Goods and Services Tax (GST) in respect of the contractual works executed by the petitioner over the past 10 years in the villages under the jurisdiction of Kollidam Panchayat Union.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.Senthilkumar
Sushmitha.S

For Respondent: Mr.V.Manoharan, AGP for RR1
to 4
Mr.S.Yashwanth, AGP for R5



ORDER

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(1) Mr.V.Manoharan, learned Additional Government Pleader accepts notice on behalf of the respondents 1 to 4. Mr.S.Yashwanth, learned Additional Government Pleader accepts on behalf of the 5th respondent. With the consent of the learned counsels on either side, the main writ petition itself is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

(2) The writ petition is filed for a mandamus directing the 5th respondent to consider and dispose of the representation of the petitioner dated 26.06.2025 in strict compliance with the reference order bearing No. Naa. Kaa. No.2621/ 2025/ A8 dated 17.07.2025 issued by the 4th respondent and to grant refund of the amounts deducted towards Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Additional Earnest Money Deposit (AEMD) and Goods and Services Tax (GST) in respect of the contractual works executed by the petitioner over the past 10 years in the villages under the jurisdiction of Kollidam Panchayat Union.

(3) The petitioner is a registered Building and Village Road Contractor of Kollidam Panchayat Union. It is the petitioner's case that she has been executing the contractual works assigned to her within the jurisdiction of



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Kollidam Panchayat Union for the past ten years along with the Sub

Contractor Mr.K.Ramu, and that all the works undertaken by her, were duly

completed in compliance with the contractual terms. The petitioner states

that the 5th respondent deducted amounts towards Earnest Money Deposit,

Additional Earnest Money Deposit, and Goods and Service Tax, which were

refundable. The petitioner further states that despite completion of works, the

aforesaid amounts remain unpaid till date. The petitioner therefore,

submitted multiple representations to the 5th respondent for refund of the

aforesaid amounts. The petitioner states that on 26.06.2025, she submitted a

representation to the respondents 2, 3 and 5 and pursuant thereon, the 2nd

respondent, on 11.07.2025, directed the 4th respondent to take necessary

action and in turn, the 4th respondent, through reference dated 14.07.2025,

instructed the 5th respondent to verify the petitioner's claim and prepare a

detailed report. Despite the aforesaid directions of the respondents 2 to 4, the

5th respondent did not initiate any action. Therefore, the petitioner was

constrained to file the above writ petition for the aforesaid relief.



(4) Learned Additional Government Pleaders appearing for the respondents

submit that the representation of the petitioner dated 14.07.2025 would be

considered and appropriate orders will be passed and therefore, sought for reasonable time to dispose of the representation.

(5) Heard the learned counsels on either side and also perused the materials on record.

(6) In view of the facts and circumstances of the case and the limited prayer in the writ petition, the 5th respondent is directed to dispose of the petitioner's representation dated 26.06.2025, on merits and in accordance with law within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

(7) The writ petition is **disposed of with the above direction.** No costs.

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