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W.P.No.36119 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.09.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M. DHANDAPANI

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M.Vedamuthu

... Petitioner

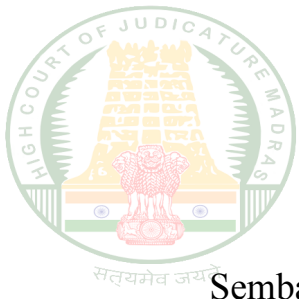
Vs.

1.Indian Overseas Bank,
Central Office,
Rep. by its Chief Manager,
Having office at No.763, Anna Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.

2.Indian Overseas Bank,
Branch Office,
Rep. by its Chief Manager,
Saligramam Branch,
Saligramam,
Chennai – 600 093.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein to release the funds/ deposit monies held by the petitioner's aforesaid deceased Anjala Mary @ Anjel Mary with accrued interest if any to petitioner directly or transfer it to petitioner's savings account bearing No.35060100006742, Bank of Baroda Bank, Rajakilapakkam –



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Sembakkam Branch, Chennai, based on the representation dated 27.06.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Rajendra Kumar

For Respondents : Notice dispensed with

ORDER

The petitioner seeks a direction upon the respondents to release the money saved by his mother, which is lying in the bank of the 2nd respondent.

2. Since no adverse order has been passed against the respondents, notice to the respondents is dispensed with.

3. The petitioner claims that he is the clause 1 legal heir of his deceased mother Anjala Mary @ Angel Mary. According to the petitioner, his mother died due to ill-health on 19.10.2021 at Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital. After her demise, the petitioner made a representation to the respondent-bank to release the amount lying in the credit of his mother. Since there was no response from the



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respondent-bank, the petitioner made a representation dated 27.06.2025 before the respondents seeking release of funds held by his mother. As the said representation was not acted upon by the respondents, the petitioner has approached this Court by way of this writ petition for appropriate orders.

4. Though the petitioner claims that he is the son and clause 1 legal heir of the deceased Anjala Mary @ Anjel Mary, no piece of paper is produced by the petitioner showing that he is the legal heir of the deceased. He has not even enclosed the legal heirship certificate issued by the revenue authorities. Upon the demise of a parent, a legal heirship certificate is the only document, which would prove the relationship between the parties and also the legal right. In the absence of the same, the petitioner cannot expect the authorities to act upon his representation and release the huge funds maintained by his mother. Hence, the prayer sought for by the petitioner cannot be granted and this writ petition is liable to be dismissed.



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5. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is dismissed. However, the petitioner is at liberty to approach the appropriate authority for obtaining the legal heir certificate and thereafter, he can approach the respondents for disposing his representation. No costs.

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Neutral Citation Case : Yes/No
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