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W.P.No.41646 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED : 31.10.2025**

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M. DHANDAPANI

**W.P.No.41646 of 2025**  
**and**  
**W.M.P.No.46676 of 2025**

V.Chandrasekar

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.State of Tamil Nadu,  
Rep. by its Principal Secretary to Government,  
Highways and Minor Ports Department,  
Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009.

2.The Superintending Engineer,  
Highways (C&M),  
Chennai Circle,  
No.299, Anna Salai,  
Chennai – 600 006.

3.The Divisional Engineer (H) (C&M),  
Thiruvallur Division,  
Thiruvallur.

4.The Divisional Engineer (H),  
Quality Control Division,  
Guindy, Chennai – 25.

... Respondents

**Prayer:** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to



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dispose the stay application filed along with the appeal dated 25.10.2025 filed against the order of rejection of the bids of the petitioner in respect of works in S.Nos.1, 2 & 5 of the Tender Notice No.50/2025-2026/HDO dated 20.09.2025 on the file of the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent till such time to stay of all further proceedings either issuance of letter of acceptance or issuing working order or entering agreement of contract with others in respect of the works in S.Nos.1, 2 & 5 of the Tender Notice No.50/2025-2026/HDO dated 20.09.2025 on the file of the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Elangovan

For Respondents : Ms.S.Anitha  
Special Government Pleader

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### **ORDER**

This Writ Petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking for a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to dispose the stay application filed along with the appeal dated 25.10.2025 filed against the order of rejection of the bids of the petitioner in respect of works in S.Nos.1, 2 & 5 of the Tender Notice No.50/2025-2026/HDO dated 20.09.2025 on the file of the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent till such time to stay of all further proceedings either issuance of letter of acceptance or issuing working order or entering agreement of contract with others in respect of the works in S.Nos.1, 2 & 5 of the Tender Notice No.50/2025-2026/HDO dated 20.09.2025 on the file of the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent.



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2. Ms.S.Anitha, learned Special Government Pleader, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. In view of the consent expressed by the parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

3. The case of the petitioner is that he is a Class – I Contractor under the Highways Department and experienced in all road works. Whiles, the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent has issued tender notification in Tender Notice No.50/2025-2026/HDO dated 20.09.2025 and the petitioner also participated in the tender. However, the petitioner's bid was rejected by the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent, against which, on 25.10.2025, he preferred an appeal u/s 11(1) of the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 (in short 'the Act') along with a stay petition u/s 11(4) of the Act. However, till date, no order was passed on the stay petition. Hence, the petitioner has filed this writ petition before this Court for appropriate orders.

4. Though very many grounds have been raised in this writ petition, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that, it would suffice, if this Court issues a direction to the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to dispose the stay application filed along with the appeal dated 25.10.2025



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filed against the order of rejection of the petitioner's bids, within a time frame that may be fixed by this Court.

5. In view of the limited request sought for by the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, this Court, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, directs the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to dispose of the appeal as well as the stay application filed by the petitioner, dated 25.10.2025, on merits and in accordance with law and pass appropriate orders, within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, after affording an opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner and aggrieved persons, if any.

6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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**M.DHANDAPANI, J.**

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