



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-12-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

WP No. 50677 of 2025

M/s.MRD CONSTRUCTION
Rep by its Partner P.Mani No.A1
Korappanayakampatti, Anandur P.O,
Uthangarai (TK), Krishnagiri (DT)
Tamil Nadu- 635 304.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1.Public Works Department
Rep by its Chief Engineer, Office of the
Chief Engineer, Projects chepauk,
Chennai- 600 005.

2.Executive Engineer,
Public Works Department,
P.W.D., Building Construction and
Maintenance Division,
Ranipet – 632 403.

Respondent(s)

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 2nd respondent to forthwith issue the Site Visit Certificate to the petitioner based on the petitioner's representations dated 27.12.2025 or in the alternative direct the respondents to permit the petitioner to participate in, upload documents for, and have his bid considered in the tender process relating to E-Tender Notice No.25 / VLR – CLE / 2025 – 2026 / Dated 09.12.2025 (Tender ID 2025_PWD_636405_1), without insisting on the Site Visit Certificate.

For Petitioner(s): Ms.P. Elakkiya

For Respondent(s): Mr.P.Gurunathan
Additional Government Pleader



ORDER

By consent of both the counsels, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal.

2.I heard Ms.P.Elakkiya for the petitioner and Mr.P.Gurunathan, Additional Government Pleader for the respondents.

3.The petitioner seeks a direction from this Court to the 2nd respondent to forthwith issue a site visit certificate so as to enable the petitioner to participate in the tenders called for by the 2nd respondent.

4.The petitioner is a registered Civil Contractor. The 1st respondent has initiated tenders for construction of Ware Houses for storage of EVMS and VVPATS in the District of Ranipet. The tender was published online on 26.12.2025 and the last date for submission is 31.12.2025 at 3.00 PM.

5.The petitioner visited the work site on 27.12.2025 and geotagged the photographs and submitted a representation to the 2nd respondent to issue a site visit certificate. As the 2nd respondent failed to issue the same, the petitioner is before this Court.

6.When Ms.P.Elakkiya made a mention regarding this matter in the



forenoon I called upon her to serve the papers on the office of the Government Pleader, High Court of Madras.

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7.I directed the Registry to list the case only after service on the Government Pleader. This was done in order to enable the Government Pleader to get instructions from the 2nd respondent.

8.When I called the matter post lunch, Mr.P.Gurunathan, Additional Government Pleader appears for the respondents. He had been originally instructed that the last date for issuance of site visit certificate had gone by on 24.12.2025 and that the petitioner had approached the 2nd respondent only on 27.12.2025. Ms.P.Elakkiya immediately produced the online notice issued by the 1st respondent which specifically stated that the tender itself was published on 26.12.2025. When this aspect was pointed out to Mr.P.Gurunathan, he sought for short pass over to get instructions from the 2nd respondent.

9.When the matter was called again, Mr.P.Gurunathan has produced the letter issued by the 2nd respondent, which is scanned and extracted hereunder:-



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The Following Information is Submitted to the Hon'ble High Court of Madras.

The Following Two Contractors are allowed to Receive the Site Visit Certificate for the Work of Construction of Warehouse for proper storage of EVMS and VVPATS in Collectorate Campus at Ranipet in Ranipet District for the Tender on 31.12.2025.

i) Sri Shanmuga Builders,
No.1/40, Main Road,
Mahendramangalam Post,
Palacode Taluk,
Dharmapuri 636805.

ii) MRD Construction,
No. A1, Korappanaickenpatti,
Ananthur Post,
Uthangarai Taluk,
Krishnagiri District - 635 304.

only if the Hon. High Court gives direction as the last date has crossed.
24/12/25

Executive Engineer, PWD.,
Buildings (C&M) Division,
Ranipet.



10.The instructions shows that the site visit certificate will be issued to the petitioner to enable them to participate in the tender. The proceedings of the Executive Engineer, PWD., Buildings (C&M) Division, Ranipet, is recorded. There shall be a direction to the 2nd respondent to issue the site visit certificate by 30.12.2025.

11.Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of with the above directions. No costs.

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Internet:Yes
Neutral Citation:Yes/No

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