



W.A(MD)No.1603 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 15.12.2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR**

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The Principal Accountant General (A&E),
No.361, Anna Salai,
Teynampet,
Chennai – 600 019.

... Appellant

Vs.

1.A.V.Jerald

2.The District Forest Officer,
Office of the District Forest,
Kanyakumari Division,
Nagercoil – 629 001.

3.The Treasury Officer,
District Treasury,
Tirunelveli District – 627 009.

4.The Secretary to Government,
Government of India,
Ministry of Law and Justice
(Department of Justice),
New Delhi.

... Respondents

*(R4 is suo motu impleaded vide order dated
15.12.2025 in W.A.(MD)No.1603 of 2025 by GRSJ &
KRSJ)*



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Prayer: Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of the Letters Patent to set aside the order in W.P(MD)No.2972 of 2025 dated 10.02.2025 on the file of this Court and to allow the Writ Appeal.

For Appellant : Ms.S.Mahalakshmi,
Standing Counsel

For Respondents : Mr.N.Satheesh Kumar,
Addl. Government Pleader for R2 & R3.
Mr.K.Govindarajan,
Deputy Solicitor General of India for R4.

ORDER
(By G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.)

This writ appeal is listed under the caption “for being mentioned” today ie., 15.12.2025.

2.This writ appeal was disposed of by us on 19.06.2025. The learned standing counsel for the appellant subsequently brought to our notice that our interpretation of Rule 54(6) of CCS Pension Rules, 1972 may not be correct.

3.In this writ appeal, the question arose whether pension can be paid to a mentally challenged son or daughter of a deceased pensioner. The authorities concede that pension has to be paid. But then, the claimant must produce an



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income certificate noting the income from all sources. After referring to the case of one T.A.Sujatha, daughter of Shri.T.S.Arunachalam, Former Acting Chief Justice of the Madras High Court, we observed that such insistence may not be in order.

4.Now that we had noted the subsequent amendments also, we are of the view that the observations made in Paragraph No.3 to 7 of the order dated 19.06.2025, have to be recalled. They are accordingly recalled.

5.We place on record the fact that office of the Principal Accountant General (Accounts and Entitlements), Tamil Nadu had issued sanction order dated 12.12.2025 sanctioning payment of pension to Ms.T.A.Sujatha, daughter of Shri.T.S.Arunachalam, Former Acting Chief Justice of the Madras High Court.

6.The Registry is directed to issue a revised order copy accordingly.

[G.R.S., J.] & [K.R.S., J.]
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