

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Civil Appellate Jurisdiction)

Tuesday, the Twenty Fifth day of March Two Thousand and Twenty Five
PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE J.NISHA BANU
and

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY
C.M.P.(MD)Nos.15431 to 15434 of 2024

in

W.A.(MD)Nos.SR 77691 to 77694 of 2024

1. The Secretary to the Government, Revenue Department,
St.George Fort,
Chennai 600 009.
2. The Secretary to the Government, Finance Department,
St.George Fort,
Chennai 9.
3. The District Collector, Virudhunagar District,
Virudhunagar.
4. The Tahsildar Srivilliputhur Taluk,
Virudhunagar District.

... Petitioner in CMP(MD).Nos 15431 to 15434 of 2024

- Vs. -

1. K.Suruliraj S/o. Kalimuthu,
P.W.D.Kudiyiruppu,
Pilavukkal Anai,
Srivilliputhur Taluk,
Virudhunagar District.

... Respondent/Writ Petitioner
in CMP(MD). 15431/ 2024

1. K.Sethuraman S/o. Kuppakaruppa Thevar,
159/35a,Melappalayam South Street,
Watrap,Srivilliputhur Taluk,
Virudhunagar District.

... Respondent/Writ Petitioner
in CMP(MD). 15432/ 2024



1. K.Koodalingam S/o. Koodalingam,
North Street,
Iianthaikulam Post,
Srivilliputhur Taluk,
Virudhunagar District.

... Respondent/Writ Petitioner
in CMP(MD). 15433/ 2024

1. S.Marichamy S/o. Late. Subba Naidu,
1B1, Vellalar Vadakku Theru,
Watrap,
Srivilliputhur Taluk,
Virudhunagar District.

... Respondent/Writ Petitioner
in CMP(MD). 15434/ 2024

ORDER : This petition coming up for orders on this day, upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of Mr.M.Ajmal Khan Additional Advocate General assisted by Mr.M.Sarangan, Advocate for the petitioner in all cases ,the court made the following order:-

These petitions are filed to condone the delay of 2324, 2376, 2376 and 2376 days, respectively in filing the above Writ Appeals.

2.The reasons stated for not filing the appeals in time are that after receiving the order copy, the Department has preferred the appeal in the year 2018 itself in W.A.SR Nos.42777 to 42779 of 2018. Thereafter, the Registry has returned the papers with some queries. Thereafter, lock down has been announced in view of Covid-19. At that time, the said bundle was taken by the employee under the Government Pleader. However, without returning the case bundle, he died. The efforts of the Government Pleader office to find out the bundle were went in vain.



Therefore, the petitioners have preferred these appeals afresh with such huge delay.

3. Heard the learned Additional Advocate General for the petitioners and the learned counsel for the respondent in all these petitions.

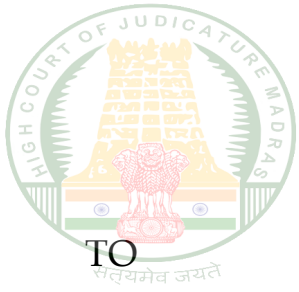
4. Being satisfied with the reasons stated in the affidavits filed in support of these petitions and taking into consideration that the respondents in all these petitions have got no objection to condone the delay, this Court is inclined to condone the delay of 2324, 2376, 2376 and 2376 days, respectively, however, on payment of costs.

5. Accordingly, these petitions are allowed and the delay is condoned on payment of Rs.2,000/- (Rupees Two Thousand only), each to the High Court Legal Services Committee attached to this Bench forthwith on receipt of a copy of this order, failing which these petitions will be dismissed automatically without any further reference to this Court.

Sd/-
20/03/2025

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.



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ORDER

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Date :25/03/2025

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