



W.P(MD)No.24311 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 09.09.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE P.T.ASHA

Writ Petition(MD)No.24311 of 2025

D.Erulappa Pandian

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,
Thiruchirappalli District,
Thiruchirappalli.

2. The Joint Director/Project Director,
District Rural Development Agency,
Thiruchirappalli.

3. The Block Development Officer,
Panchayat Union,
Lalgudi-621 712,
District Rural Development Agency,
Thiruchirappalli District.

4. The Executive Engineer,
District Rural Development Agency,
Thiruchirappalli.

5. The Assistant Executive Engineer,
(Lalgudi Sub-Division/Zonal),
Panchayat Union,
Lalgudi-621 712,
District Rural Development Agency,
Thiruchirappalli District.



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6. The Assistant Engineer(RD),
Panchayat Union,
Lalgudi-621 712,
Thiruchirappalli District.

..Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 3rd respondent to disburse to the petitioner the final payment due to the petitioner from the respondents on account of the petitioner having completed the contract works of construction of Over Head Tank for Muslim Street, Reddiyar Street, and Gounder Street, in Peruvalanallur Village Panchayat, Lalgudi Panchayat Union under the Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme during 2009-2010, within a stipulated period of time as this Court may fix, in the light of the Proceedings, dated 25.02.2025 of the 3rd respondent to the 2nd respondent.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Gnanasekaran

For Respondent : Mr.D.Sasikumar
Addl. Govt. Pleader
(for R1, R2, R4 to R6)

Mr.A.Oliraja
Govt. Advocate (for R3)

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the 3rd respondent to disburse the final payment due to the petitioner, on account of the petitioner having completed the contract



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works relating to the construction of an Over Head Tank at Muslim Street, Reddiyar Street, and Gounder Street, in Peruvalanallur Village Panchayat, Lalgudi Panchayat Union, under the Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme during the year 2009–2010. The petitioner seeks such payment to be made within a time frame to be fixed by this Court, in the light of the proceedings dated 25.02.2025 issued by the 3rd respondent to the 2nd respondent.

2. Mr.D.Sasikumar, learned Additional Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents 1, 2, 4 to 6. Mr.A.Oliraja, learned Government Advocate, takes notice for the third respondent. By consent, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

3. It is noticed that the Measurement Book available with the respondent has gone missing, and no explanation has been offered as to why the petitioner did not claim the balance dues from the year 2011, when only a part payment of Rs.4,31,790/- was made to him. However, in the affidavit filed in support of the present writ petition, it is stated as follows:—

“6..... After the completion of work in 2010, the 6th respondent issued to me Xerox copies of Work Slip signed on 01.03.2010. “Completion Report” signed on 01.03.2010, and 'M Book' signed on various dates in 2010.”



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4. Further, it is seen that in the typed set of papers, a xerox copy of the Measurement Book has been enclosed. Therefore, the third respondent is directed to verify the veracity of the said book and, taking into consideration the proceedings dated 25.02.2025, disburse the balance payment to the petitioner within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. This writ petition is disposed accordingly. No costs.

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NCC : Yes/No

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Internet:Yes

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