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W.P.(MD) No.34862 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 01.12.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE G.JAYACHANDRAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN**

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P.S.Arulraj

... Petitioner

-vs-

1.The Secretary
Municipal Administration
and Water Supply Department
Chennai-600 009

2.The Director of Municipal
Administration Chennai
MRC Nagar, Santhome High Road
Raja Annamalai Puram-600 028

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 20.02.2024 with regard to reconsideration of cancelling the implementation of solid waste management activities through service



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providers / agency / contractor and to reconsider appointing sanitary workers temporarily and appoint them as permanent employees on completion of three years.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Sivasubramanian

For Respondents : Mr.P.Thilakkumar
Government Pleader

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by DR.G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.]

The petitioner, claiming himself as a public spirited person with concern over the sanitation workers engaged by the local bodies, has given a representation dated 20.02.2024 to the respondents to reconsider the decision of the Government to engage service providers / agency / contractors for solid waste management activities instead of the existing temporary workers and to give them pay protection and service protection.

2. From the pleadings and the typed set of papers, it is seen that already this issue has been raised by Associations and orders have been passed from time time by this Court. Regarding regularisation of service and



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pay protection, public interest litigation is not maintainable, more so, when the State is under the active consideration of making suitable arrangements for solid waste management and also to use the temporary workers, who have already been in the said activity. Hence, this writ petition as a public interest litigation is dismissed. No costs.

[G.J., J.]

[K.K.R.K., J.]

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NCC : Yes / No

Index : Yes / No

Internet : Yes / No

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