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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22-01-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

WP No. 350 of 2026

Kavitha
W/o.Murugan

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The Commissioner,
Greater Chennai Corporation, Ripon Building,
Chennai.
2. The Superintending Engineer,
Bus Route Roads Department,
Greater Chennai corporation, Ripon Building,
Chennai- 600 003.

..Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records of the 2nd Respondent dated 18.12.2025 in Pe.Sa.Thu.Na.Ka.No. 1312/ 2025-6 and quash the same as arbitrary and illegal and in consequence thereof direct the respondents to permit the petitioner to complete the pending works in pursuance of the tender notice dated 23.04.2025.

For Petitioners:

Ms.Athiniveda

For Respondent(s):

Mr. E.C. Ramesh

Standing Counsel Takes Notice For Respondents.



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ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed challenging the order of the 2nd Respondent dated 18.12.2025 in Pe.Sa.Thu.Na.Ka.No. 1312/ 2025-6 and to quash the same, and further direct the respondents to permit the petitioner to complete the pending works in pursuance of the tender notice dated 23.04.2025.

2. The petitioner is a road contractor. She had been benefited with the contract for laying roads in Ward No. 6, 8, 13, 14 and 15.. The total number of works allotted to the petitioner was 301. Out Of 301, the petitioner claims that she has completed 230, whereas the corporation has been generous enough to say that the petitioner has completed 237.

3.The petitioner states that during the course of execution of the work, as many as 21 roads could not be laid on account of the fact that Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB) had taken up development activities. CMWSSB had occupied the roads to lay pipeline and hence, the petitioner could not perform her contractual duties. The Petitioner states that by virtue of the impugned order, the remaining works had been cancelled and hence, she is before this court.



4. Taking into consideration that the petitioner has completed the major portion of work assigned to her, I called upon Mr. E.C.Ramesh to get instructions if the Corporation will be willing to accommodate the petitioner and grant her time to complete the remaining work.

5. Mr.E.C.Ramesh has been instructed by the Superintending Engineer, Bus Route Roads Department, Greater Chennai Corporation, to the following effect, with respect to total number of road works which are yet to be completed:

S.No.	DESCRIPTION OF WORKS	TOTAL NUMBERS
01.	Total Number of Road Works	64
02.	Number of Work front available and not taken up by the contractor	36
03.	Number of works completed	15
04.	Number of works in progress	4
05.	Number of Road works dropped (Due to road cut)	3
06.	Work front not available due to road cut/restoration work	6

6. He was also instructed to say that if the petitioner completes the work within one month, the Corporation officials are willing to co-operate with the petitioner towards completion of the remaining work. Ms.Athiniveda readily



agreed to this generous offer and agreed to file an undertaking affidavit. In order to enable Ms.Athiniveda to file an undertaking, I posted the matter today.

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7. Ms.Athiniveda has filed an affidavit of the writ petitioner which is scanned and extracted hereunder:

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT
MADRAS**

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

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Kavitha, F/14/26,
W/o. Murugan,
D.No. 230, 4th Street,
Ram Nagar North Extension,
Velachery,
Chennai - 42.

Petitioner

Vs.

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UNDERTAKING AFFIDAVIT

I, Kavitha, W/o. Murugan, Hindu, aged about 44 years, residing at D.No. 230, 4th Street, Ram Nagar North Extension, Velachery, Chennai - 42, do hereby solemnly affirm and sincerely state as follows:

1. I state that I am the Petitioner in the above Writ Petition and as such am well aware of the facts of the case and am competent to swear to this Affidavit.

M. Kavitha



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2. I state that I have filed the above Writ Petition challenging the Order of the 2nd Respondent dated 18.12.2025 in Pe.Sa.Thu.Na.Ka.No. 1312/2025-6.
3. I state that in the above matter, the 2nd Respondent filed an Affidavit dated 20.01.2026 whereby they have stated that only 40 works are pending to be completed by the Petitioner out of the 64 works that had been cancelled in the Impugned Order.
4. I state that the 2nd Respondent has agreed that in 36 works, the site is available and yet to be taken up by the contractor and in 4 works, the Work is in progress already.
5. I hereby undertake to complete the above said 40 works within one month from today (21.01.2026) and in case of any default, I will abide by the actions to be taken by the Respondents.

Solemnly affirmed at Chennai
on this the 21st day of January,
2026 and the above content is
read out and explained
to her and she signed his name
in my presence.

M. Karanth
Before me,

Prashanth
NS 8405/25, 86 LC
Ch.
Advocate, Chennai



7. A perusal of Paragraph 5 shows that the petitioner has undertaken to complete the remaining 40 works within a period of one month from **21.01.2026**. As the undertaking affidavit complies with the requirements of the Corporation, this Writ petition is disposed of granting time to the petitioner to complete the 40 works within the period undertaken by her. The respondent shall ensure complete Cooperation for the completion of the said work. It is made clear that in case the remaining 40 works are not completed, the impugned order shall stand revived. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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Index: Yes/No Speaking/Non-speaking order
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