



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.03.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE C. SARAVANAN

W.P.No.8870 of 2026

and

W.M.P.Nos.9557 & 9559 of 2026

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M/s. India Steel Structure Company,
Rep. by its Prop. Ramesh,
No.24, 25, Vijayalakshmi Nagar,
Near Surapet Toll Plaza,
Kallikuppam,
Chennai – 600053.

..Petitioner

Vs

The Assistant Commissioner (ST)
Surappattu Assessment Circle,
Station: No. 32,
Integrated Commercial Taxes Office Complex,
First Floor, Room No.118,
Elephant Gate Bridge Road, Chennai-03.

..Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records relating to the impugned ex-parte order in Reference No. ZD330225144614O dated 15.02.2025 passed by the Respondent and to quash the same and to direct the Respondent to defreeze the Bank Account of the Petitioner with Savings Bank Account No. 000501592475, IFSC - HDFC00000004, ICICI Bank, Kurup Tower 1, Kottayam, Kerala - 686533.



For Petitioner : Mr.Hariharan.V
for M/s. P.V.S.Giridhar Associates

For Respondent : Mrs.K.Vasanthamala,
Government Advocate.

ORDER

Mrs.K.Vasanthamala, learned Government Advocate, takes notice for the Respondent.

2. This Writ Petition is being disposed of at the stage of admission itself with the consent of the learned counsel for the Petitioner and the learned Government Advocate for the Respondent.

3. In this Writ Petition, the Petitioner has challenged the impugned Order dated 15.02.2025, which was preceded by a Show Cause Notice in GST DRC-01 dated 25.11.2024 wherein the Petitioner was called upon to appear for personal hearing. However, the Petitioner had not taken advantage of the same and thus, suffered the impugned Order dated 15.02.2025.

4. It is noticed that the limitation for filing an appeal under Section 107 of the respective GST enactments, 2017 against the impugned Order has already expired. The present Writ Petition has been filed only on 16.02.2026.



5. At this stage, the learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the Petitioner is willing to pre-deposit 25% of the disputed tax as a condition for *denovo* adjudication.

6. The learned counsel for the Petitioner has also made an endorsement to that effect in the Court bundle which has been extracted hereunder:-

“Petitioner will deposit 25% of disputed tax amount.”

7. Recording the above submission, the case is remitted back to the Respondent to pass a fresh order on merits subject to the Petitioner depositing 25% of the disputed tax in cash or from the Petitioner's Electronic Cash Register within a period of thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

8. Within such time, the Petitioner shall also file a reply to the Show Cause Notice in GST DRC-01 dated 25.11.2024 together with requisite documents to substantiate the case by treating the impugned Order dated 15.02.2025 as an addendum to the Show Cause Notice dated 25.11.2024.

9. In case the Petitioner complies with the above stipulations, the Respondent shall proceed to pass a final order on merits and in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, preferably, within a period of three (3) months



of such reply/pre-deposit. Subject to the Petitioner complying with the above stipulations, the attachment of the bank account of the Petitioner if any, shall also stand automatically vacated.

10. It is made clear that bank attachment shall be lifted subject to the Petitioner depositing 25% of the disputed tax as ordered above and the Petitioner not being in arrears of any other amount for any other tax period barring the amount demanded under the impugned Order.

11. In case the Petitioner fails to comply with any of the stipulations, the Respondents are at liberty to proceed against the Petitioner to recover the tax in accordance with law as if this Writ Petition was dismissed *in limine* today.

12. Needless to state, before passing any such order, the Respondent shall give due notice to the Petitioner.

13. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the above observations. No costs. Connected Writ Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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