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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE N. MALA

CONT P No. 1145 of 2026

CNR:{HCMA010437302026}

P.Sellakumar
S/o. E. Poosappan,
No.89, Main Road,
Lakkapuram,
Erode - 2.

Case QR

..Petitioner

Vs

Mr.S.Kandasamy, I.A.S.,
District Collector,
Erode.

..Respondent

Prayer : Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts Act, to punish the Respondent for committing contempt of the order of this Hon'ble Court in W.P.No. 25450 of 2025 dated 15.07.2025.

For Petitioner: Mr. A.Kumaraguru

For Respondent: Mr.A.Arasu Sanga Tamil,
Government Advocate

Order

Pursuant to the orders of this Court dated 16.04.2026, the respondent has filed the clarification affidavit to the following effect.

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"8. I submit that this Hon'ble Court after perusing the above reference of the respondent has passed orders on 16.04.2026 to file a Clarification Affidavit stating the need for allocation of Municipality Funds when the grievance of the petitioner is to be addressed by the National Highways.

9. I submit that the respondent took earnest efforts to comply with the orders of this Hon'ble Court passed in W.P.No.25450 of 2025 dated 15.07.2025 and passed orders for execution of the work using the Village Panchayat Fund and the Block Development Officer, Modakurichi, also addressed the Divisional Engineer, Highways, Erode, for issue of NOC for executing the above drainage work. In the meantime, National Highways Authority has floated Tender for widening the road which includes the petitioner's premises also. At the time of issue of instructions and permission, the respondent is not aware of the fact that the National Highways Authority of India has proposed to execute road widening work. Normally in the State Highway area, the concerned Panchayat will execute works like drainage work after getting NOC from the Highways Department. However, in the instant case, as the National Highways Authority of India has taken up the work of widening the road, which includes laying drainage in the petitioner's premises the respondent has to

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wait for execution of the above work."

2. Since the respondent has disposed of the representation vide proceedings in Na.Ka.No.2172/2025/A4 dated 28.10.2026, the Contempt Petition is closed. However, liberty is granted to the petitioner to make an appropriate representation to the respondent seeking necessary steps to ensure that the existing drainage system is maintained until the drainage work is undertaken by the Highways Department.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

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