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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25-03-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 10895 of 2026

R.Karikalan
S/o. Ramachandran,
No.41, Mahali Street,
Gandhi Nagar, Kasipalayam,
Erode -638 454

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The District Collector PA (Development)
Office of the District Collector,
Erode District -638 011

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of mandamus directing the Respondent herein to dispose the appeal filed by the Petitioner under Rule 24 of the Tamil Nadu Village Panchayat Secretaries (Service Conditions) Rules, 2023 dated 21.07.2025 within a stipulated time.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. B.M.Subash

For Respondent(s): Mr.T.Chandrasekaran, SGP

ORDER

The writ petition has been filed seeking mandamus directing the Respondent herein to dispose the appeal filed by the Petitioner under Rule 24 of the Tamil Nadu Village Panchayat Secretaries (Service Conditions) Rules, 2023



dated 21.07.2025 within a stipulated time.

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2. It is the case of the petitioner that the petitioner was appointed as a Panchayat Assistant in Arasur Village Panchayat in the year 2005 and later, was transferred to Thookanaickanpalayam Panchayat Union. While so, a charge memo dated 20.10.2023 was issued by the Block Development Officer alleging misappropriation of funds and the petitioner was suspended on 01.11.2023. Later, an enquiry was conducted and despite the explanation submitted by the petitioner, the Enquiry Officer dismissed the petitioner from service. Therefore, the petitioner preferred a statutory appeal before the respondent, which was not disposed of till date and therefore, the petitioner made a representation dated 04.12.2025 before the respondent, for which, there is no response till date. Aggrieved by the same, the petitioner is before this Court.

3. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

4. Considering the relief now sought for by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court, without going into the merits of the case, directs the respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 04.12.2025 and dispose of the appeal on merits and in accordance with law and by passing appropriate orders, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a



copy of this order.

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Accordingly, the writ petition is allowed. No costs.

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Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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