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WP No.12306 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06.04.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI,  
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

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1. Muthu Mayilswami  
S/o. Muthu gounder, No. 9/115  
Pudhoor Naangu Road, Mecheri-  
Kuttapatti Post, Mettur Taluk,  
Salem district 636 453

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Commissioner  
Directorate of Rural Development and  
Panchayat Raj, Panagal Building,  
Saidapet, Chennai 15

2.The District Collector  
Salem district, Salem 636 001

3.The Block Development Officer (VP)  
Mecheri 636 453 Salem district

4.The Assistant Engineer  
Panchayat Union, Mecheri 636 453  
Salem District

5.The Executive Engineer  
TWAD Board , Maintenance Division,  
Hanging Garden, Salem 636 007

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6.The Assistant Engineer (O and M)  
TamilNadu Power Distribution  
Corporation Ltd., Salem District

7.M.Kalipatti Panchayat  
rep. by its Secretary, Mettur Taluk,  
Mecheri Post, Salem District

Respondent(s)

**PRAYER:-** Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 10.02.2026 and to take immediate action against respondents 3 and 4 to recover the financial loss to the tune of Rs. 17,28,000/- caused by the respondents 3, 4 and also from the other officials responsible for the said financial loss incurred by the Panchayat due to the unauthorized construction of Ground Level Water tank by the respondents 3, 4 and 7 as per section 234 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayat Act, 1994 and also to direct the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent to restore the water pipeline connection provided previously by the TWAD Board.

For Petitioner: Mr.V.Sanjay

For Respondents: Mrs.E.Ranganayaki  
Addl. Govt. Pleader  
for RR 1 to 4  
Mr.I.Syed Sibghatulla  
Stdg. Counsel for R-6

**ORDER**

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks leave to withdraw this writ petition with liberty to avail appropriate remedy in accordance with law.



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Petition is, accordingly, dismissed as withdrawn, with the aforesaid liberty. There shall be no order as to costs.

(SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI, CJ.) (G.ARUL MURUGAN, J.)  
06.04.2026

Index : Yes/No  
Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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