



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 21-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

Writ Petition No.14825 of 2026

Pavithra
W/o.Raveendran

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The Arbitrator cum District Collector,
Collectorate Office,
Krishnagiri District.
2. Competent Authority /
Special District Revenue Officer-Land Acquisition,
National Highways-948A STRR,
Krishnagiri District.
3. The Project Director (948A STRR)
National Highways Authority of India,
PIU-Krishnagiri,
259/1, Salem Main Road,
Near KAKC Petrol Bunk,
Krishnagiri District.

..Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the first respondent to act upon the petitioner's claim petition filed under section 3G(5) of the National Highways Act, 1956 dated 04.07.2023 and to reconsider the Award dated 30.06.2023 passed by the second respondent and re-fix and enhance the compensation for the petitioner's land measuring 1710 sq. meters in S.No.1033/1B, Moranapalli Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District, in accordance with the provisions of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 and to follow the Section 18 to 27 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.



For Petitioner : Mr.R.Ramesh Raja

For Respondents : Mr.D.Ravichander,
Special Government Pleader [R1 & R2]
Ms.S.R.Sumathy,
Standing Counsel [R3]

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking for early disposal of the claim petition pending before the Arbitrator as per the provisions of Section 3G(5) of the National Highways Act, 1956.

2. The petitioner's lands were acquired under the National Highways Act, 1956 and the arbitral claim is pending before the Arbitrator as per the provisions of Section 3G(5) of the National Highways Act, 1956.

3. No prejudice would be caused to any other party if a direction is issued to the first respondent (Arbitrator) to pass the arbitral award under the National Highways Act, 1956, in respect of the lands acquired from the petitioner more fully disclosed in the prayer to this writ petition within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

4. Learned Standing Counsel appearing for the third respondent, on instructions, would submit that in view of the innumerable cases pending before



the Arbitrator, sufficient time may be granted to the Arbitrator to pass the arbitral award.

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5. This Court, after giving due consideration to the submissions made by the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the third respondent, deems it fit to direct the first respondent (Arbitrator) to pass the arbitral award within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. For the foregoing reasons, this Court directs the first respondent to pass the arbitral award in respect of the lands more fully disclosed in the prayer to this writ petition, which were acquired from the petitioner under the National Highways Act, 1956, as per the provisions of Section 3G(5) of the National Highways Act, 1956 and by adhering to the principles of natural justice and following the provisions under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

This writ petition is disposed of with the above direction. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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ABDUL QUDDHOSE, J.

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