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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 17-03-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Mrs. S.Malarvizhi, IAS.,
Secretary To Government,
Water Resources Organisation,
Chennai 600 009.
2. Er. Janaki,
Chief Engineer,
Water Resources Organisation,
Chennai Region, Chennai 600 005.
3. Mr. V.V.Prabakar,
Executive Engineer,
Water Resources Organisation,
Mel Palar Basin Division, Vellore,
Vellore District, Pin- 632 006.
4. Mr. G.C.Prasanna
Assistant Engineer,
Water Resources Organisation,
Irrigation Section, Ambur,
Thiruppathur District Pin- 635 802.

..Contemnor(s)

Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts to punish the Respondents for willfully disobeying the orders of this Hon'ble Court in W.A.No. 3022 of 2023 dated 03.11.2023.



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For Petitioner(s): Mr.P.Mohanraj
For Contemnor(s): Mr.U.M.Ravichandran
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by S.M.Subramaniam J.)

Contempt Petition has been instituted to punish the respondents for their willful disobedience of the orders of this Court dated 03.11.2023 in W.A.No.3022 of 2023.

2. Para 5 of the order reads as follows:

“5. We are not issuing a specific timeline, however, it is expected that when surplus water is entering the land of the agriculturist, the Government shall take effective steps. We hope and trust that the Government will take up the issue and may take a decision upon the administrative sanction expeditiously and if possible, within a period of six months.”

3. Learned Special Government Pleader based on the instructions, made a submission that Government issued G.O.(2D).No.258, Water Resources (WR2) Department, dated 06.12.2023, and sanctioned funds for construction of tank at Veppamkuppam. However, process is under progress.



4. It is a policy decision of the Government. Since funds are sanctioned, authorities have to take appropriate action to fulfill the needs of the people of that locality. That being the position, this Court does not find any willful disobedience of the orders of this Court.

5. Since funds have been sanctioned, respondents shall ensure construction of tank as expeditiously as possible. Accordingly, the contempt petition is closed. No costs.

(S.M.S.,J.) (K.S.,J.)
17-03-2026

Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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