



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE G. R. SWAMINATHAN

**WP Nos. 20633, 20635 & 20636 of 2026
and
WMP Nos. 22197, 22199 & 22200 of 2026**

WP.No.20633 of 2026

SRK Assocites Engineering Contractors,
Represented by its Managing Partner, P.Suresh,
S/o.Mr.S.P.Periyaswamy, 46 /2, K.D.S.Illam,
Arunagirinathar Street, Chennimalai - 638051
Erode District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The Executive Engineer (PWD),
Technical Education Division, Chennai 600 025.

..Respondent(s)

WP No. 20635 of 2026

SRK Associates Engineering Contractors,
Represented by its Managing Partner P.Suresh
S/o.Mr.S.P.Periyaswamy, 46 /2, K.D.S.Illam,
Arunagirinathar Street, Chennimalai 638051,
Erode District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Registrar,
University of Madras, Chepauk,
Chennai 600005.

2. The Chief Engineer (PWD)
Project Division, Chepauk,
Chennai - 600 005.



3. The Executive Engineer (PWD),
Technical Education Division, Guindy,
Chennai - 600025.

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..Respondent(s)

WP No. 20636 of 2026

SRK Assocites Engineering Contractors,
Represented by its Managing Partner, P.Suresh
S/o.Mr.S.P.Periyaswamy, 46 /2, K.D.S.Illam,
Arunagirinathar Street, Chennimalai - 638051
Erode District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Tamil Nadu Housing Board,
Represented by the Superintending Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Housing Board,
Nandhanam, Chennai 600 035.
2. The Chief Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Housing Board, CMDA complex,
Koyambedu, Chennai 600 107.
3. The Executive Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Housing Board,
Besant Nagar Division, Chennai 600 020.

..Respondent(s)

W.P.No.20633 of 2026

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of writ of mandamus, directing the respondent to settle and release the restricted amount of Rs.4,87,162/ together with applicable GST @ 18% and interest at 24% per annum from date of completion of the project till the date of actual payment.

WP No. 20635 of 2026

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking



issuance of writ of mandamus, directing the respondent to settle and release the restricted amount of Rs.19,91,623/ together with interest at the rate of 24 percent per annum the date of completion of the project i.e 10/08/2022 till the date of actual payment.

WP No. 20636 of 2026

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of writ of mandamus, directing the respondent to return the Earnest Monthly Deposit of Rs.3,25,000 at 25 percent of the withheld amount with 18 percent per annum.

For Petitioner(s):
in all petitions

Mr.R.Singaravelan
Senior Advocate for
Ms.Brindha Parthasarathy

For Respondent(s):

Mr.R.Chakkaravarthy
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu

For respondent in WP.No.20633 of 2026 &
For R2 & R3 in WP.No.20635 of 2026

Common Order

Heard both sides.

2. The writ petitioner is a Contractor. He asserts that the work order issued by the respondent Department was completed way back in the years 2019, 2022 and 2023 respectively. The petitioner's grievance is that the bill amount is yet to be fully settled and the Earnest Money Deposit has not been returned. He has also sent representation on 22.05.2026 regarding the same. However, there was no action on the part of the respondents. Hence, the present



writ petitions.

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3. The respondents are directed to conduct an enquiry and on being satisfied about the entitlement of the writ petitioner, release the said amount. The said exercise shall be completed by the respondents within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

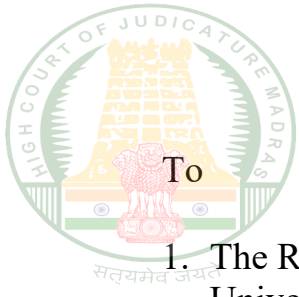
4. I make it clear that I have not gone into the merits of the matter.

5. These writ petitions are disposed of accordingly. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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

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