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WP No. 50535 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 05-01-2026**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI**

**WP No. 50535 of 2025**

1. K.Sridevi  
w/o.late.T.Kumaravel, K.Ettipatti  
Village, Uthangarai Taluk, Krishnagiri  
district.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Director General  
Highways Department (Construction  
and Maintenance), No.76, Sardar Patel  
Road, Guindy, Chennai-600 025.

2.the Divisional Engineer  
Highways Department (Construction  
and Maintenance), Uthangarai,  
Uthangarai Taluk, Krishnagiri District.

3.The Assistant Divisional Engineer,  
Highways Department (Construction  
and Maintenance), Uthangarai,  
Uthangarai Taluk, Krishnagiri District.

Respondent(s)

**PRAYER**

Writ Petition filed under Section 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to appoint the petitioner in any cadre of post at the Highways Department on the basis of Compassionate ground considering the petitioner's representation dated



08.08.2025 and dispose of the same.

For Petitioner(s): S.Arokia Mani Raj

For Respondents: Mr.P.Balathandayutham  
Special Government Pleader

**ORDER**

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking to direct the first respondent to appoint the petitioner in any suitable cadre in the Highways Department on the basis of Compassionate ground, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 08.08.2025 and to pass appropriate orders thereon.

2. Mr.P.Balathandayutham, learned Special Government Pleader takes notice on behalf of the respondent.

3. The case of the petitioner is that she is the wife of Late T.Kumaravel, who worked as Road Supervisor in the office of the third respondent and died on 11.08.2022 while in service. Consequently, the petitioner herein made a representation dated 20.02.2025 to the respondents 2 and 3, seeking appointment on compassionate grounds. However, no action was taken on the said representation. Thereafter, she made another representation dated 08.08.2025 to the first respondent. However, the same has also not been considered till date and therefore, the present Writ Petition has been filed.



4. Learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that it would suffice, if this Court issues a direction to the first respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner and pass appropriate orders on the same within the time that may be stipulated by this Court.

5. On the above contention, this Court heard the learned counsel appearing for the respondent.

6. In view of the limited relief sought for by the petitioners, this Court without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, directs the first respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 08.08.2025 and pass appropriate orders on the same in accordance with law within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and any other interested parties.

7. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the aforesaid direction.

There shall be no order as to costs.

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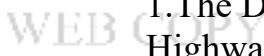
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