



W.P.(MD)Nos.1213 to 1217 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **20.01.2026**

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THE HONOURABLE **Mr. JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY**

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W.P.(MD)No.1213 of 2026

Chokkalingam

...Petitioner

vs.

1. The Government of Tamilnadu ,
Represented by its Secretary,
Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai.

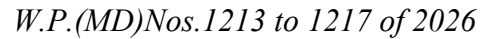
2. The Principal Conservator of Forest,
Jeans Road,
Panagal Park,
Chennai.

3. The Regional Forest Conservator,
Jk Nagar,
Airport Post,
Tiruchirappalli.

4. The District Forest Officer,
Social Forestry Section,
Salai Road,
Near UGO Bank,
Tiruchirappalli.

...Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 23.06.2025 to pay the arrears of



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...Respondents

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Social Forestry Section,
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Near UCO Bank,
Tiruchirappalli.

...Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 23.06.2025 to pay the arrears of minimum wages to the petitioner for the period 01.08.1981 to 16.03.2003 as per the G.O.Ms. No.113, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (F.R. 2(II)) Department, dated 20.07.2023.



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...Petitioner

vs.

1. The Government of Tamilnadu ,
Represented by its Secretary,
Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai.

2. The Principal Conservator of Forest,
Jeans Road,
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Social Forestry Section,
Salai Road,
Near UCO Bank,
Tiruchirappalli.

...Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 26.07.2025 to pay the arrears of minimum wages to the petitioner for the period 01.05.1993 to 31.10.2002 as per the G.O.Ms. No.113, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (F.R. 2(II)) Department, dated 20.07.2023.



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Represented by its Secretary,
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Secretariat, Chennai.
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4. The District Forest Officer,
Social Forestry Section,
Salai Road,
Near UCO Bank,
Tiruchirappalli.

...Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 22.07.2025 to pay the arrears of minimum wages to the petitioner for the period 01.05.1993 to 31.10.2002 as per the G.O.Ms. No.113, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (F.R. 2(II)) Department, dated 20.07.2023.

In all cases,

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Muthukrishnan

For Respondents : Mr.C.Venkadesh Kumar,
Special Government Pleader



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ORDER

These Writ Petitions have been filed to direct the respondents to consider the representations of the petitioners and pay the arrears of minimum wages to the petitioners as per the G.O.Ms. No.113, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (F.R.2(II)) Department, dated 20.07.2023.

2. Mr.C.Venkadesh Kumar, learned Special Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents in all the Writ Petitions.

3. By consent on either sides, these Writ Petitions are taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners have given representations on 23.06.2025, 21.07.2025, 26.07.2025 and 22.07.2025 respectively seeking arrears of minimum wages for the period from 01.05.1993 to 31.10.2002 and from 01.08.1981 to 16.03.2003 respectively, as per the Government Order in G.O.Ms. No.113, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (F.R.2(II)) Department, dated 20.07.2023. However, the same are yet to be considered. Hence, the Writ Petitions.



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5. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents would submit that the representations submitted by the petitioners will be disposed within the time stipulated by this Court.

6. In view of the same, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the matter, this Court directs the second respondent to consider the representations of the petitioners dated 23.06.2025, 21.07.2025, 26.07.2025 and 22.07.2025 respectively and dispose of the same, on its own merits and in accordance with law, within a period of eight (8) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

7. With the above direction, these Writ Petitions stand disposed of. No costs.

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Speaking / Non-speaking order

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