



WP(MD). Nos.1331 to 1333 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 27/01/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K. SURENDER

WP(MD). Nos.1331 to 1333 of 2026

and

W.M.P(MD) Nos.1049, 1050, 1058, 1059, 1051 and 1053 of 2026

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Koottalumoodu Arulmigu Bhadeswari Devasthanam

Matric Higher Secondary School,

Rep by its Secretary,

Raja Kumar,

S/o.Chinna Nadar,

P.C.N.Compound,

Mukkadu, Painkulam Post,

Killiyur Taluk,

Kanayakumari District 629 173.

... Petitioner

Vs

1. E.S.I.Corporation,

Rep by its Deputy Director,

Sub Regional Office (Tirunelveli),

Salai Street, Vannarpettai,

Tirunelveli - 627 003.

2. Recovery Officer,

E.S.I.Corporation,

Sub Regional Office (Tirunelveli),

Salai Street,

Vannarpettai,

Tirunelveli - 627 003.



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3.The Branch Manager,
State Bank of India,
P.B.No1, Bus Stand Junction,
Thengapattanam P.O,
Kanyakumari District 629173.

... Respondents

PRAYER :- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorari, call for the records relating to the impugned order passed by the first respondent No. 66000404460001302/INS/SRO/TLI (Ref. C18 Act Line No.211/23) dated 26.11.2023 and the consequently impugned Garnishee order passed by the second respondent in No.66000404460001302/RRC/SRO/TLI dated 28.08.2025 and quash the same as illegal .

For Petitioner : Mr.N.S.Ramakrishna Dass,
Advocate

For R1 and R2 : Mr.C.Karthick
Standing Counsel

For R3 : Mr.M.Ponniah
Standing Counsel

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Koottalumoodu Arulmigu Bhadeswari Devasthanam
Matric Higher Secondary School,
Rep by its Secretary, Raja Kumar,
S/o.Chinna Nadar,
P.C.N.Compound,
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Tirunelveli - 627 003.

3. The Branch Manager,
Tamilnadu Mercantile Bank Ltd.,
Door No.13/167G,
Thottam Puraidam, Kappukadu,
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For Petitioner : Mr.N.S.Ramakrishna Dass,

For R1 and R2 : Mr.C.Karthick
Standing Counsel



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Matric Higher Secondary School,
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Canara Bank,
Kavalam Building,
National Highway,
Kuzhithurai-629 163,
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For R1 to R3 : Mr.C.Karthick
Standing Counsel

COMMON ORDER

These Writ Petitions have been filed challenging the impugned orders passed by the first respondent in No. 66000404460001302/INS/SRO/TLI (Ref. C18 Act Line No.211/23) dated 26.11.2023 and the consequential impugned Garnishee orders passed by the second respondent in No. 66000404460001302/RRC/SRO/TLI dated 28.08.2025.

2.When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents 1 and 2 submitted that the petitioner had already approached the ESI Court (Labour), Tirunelveli, challenging the impugned orders dated 26.11.2023 and that an interim



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stay has also been granted, which is not disputed by the learned counsel for the petitioner.

3.However, the learned counsel for the petitioner school submitted that second respondent passed the garnishee orders to the third respondent bank dated 28.08.2025. As a result, the third respondent bank has stopped payment and frozen the account. Therefore, the school management is unable to remit the employer's EPF amount and pay salaries to the staff.

4.Considering the above submissions, this Court is of the view that, since proceedings are pending before the ESI Court(Labour), Tirunelveli, no further orders are necessary in the present writ petitions. The petitioner is at liberty to seek stay of the garnishee orders before the said ESI Court. Accordingly, these Writ Petitions are disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

(K.SURENDER, J.)
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