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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED :30.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

W.P(MD)No.7201 of 2022

V.Meiyathan

... Petitioner

.Vs.

The Commissioner,
Aranthangi Municipality.
Aranthangi.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to exempt the Petitioner from paying the tender amount of a sum of Rs.5,25,165/- for the tender period from 2020 to 2021 as the bus stand remained closed due to Covid-19 pandemic crisis on the basis of Petitioner's representation, dated 4.3.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Karthick Sevugaperumal

For Respondent : Mr.P.Mahenderan

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking issuance of



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a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to exempt the Petitioner from paying the tender amount of Rs.5,25,165/- for the tender period from 2020 to 2021 as the bus stand remained closed due to Covid-19 pandemic crisis on the basis of Petitioner's representation, dated 4.3.2022.

2.The learned counsel for the respondent submitted that the representation of the Petitioner has been considered in the light G.O(D) No.337, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department(MA.IV) Department, dated 16.06.2023 and the benefits have already been conferred on the Writ Petitioner. Para 12 of the counter filed by the respondent reads as follows:

"8.It is further submitted that the Petitioner has paid the annual lease amount for the period 2018-2019, 2019-2020.As far as payment of lease for annual year 2020-2021 is concerned, this respondent has deducted a sum of Rs.1,19,085/-(period from 1.6.2020 to 31.8.2020(first wave period) and thereafter the Petitioner has paid a sum of Rs.1,43,996/- out of the amount of Rs.5,25,165/-.Hence this respondent has extended waiver benefits during covid-19 period by following the above said Government Order in letter and spirit in respect of the Petitioner namely Meiyathan in W.P(MD)No.7201 of 2022. It is pertinent to mention that the Petitioner Meiyathan in W.P(MD)No7201 of 2022 is concerned, this respondent has given benefit of covid 19 waiver and accordingly waived a sum of .1,19,085/-. But the Petitioner Meiyathan has paid only a sum of Rs.1,43,996/- and he has to pay a sum of Rs.2,62,169/-.This amount has not paid till date by the Petitioner (V.Meiyathan)."



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3. In view of the above said facts, the Petitioner's request for exemption has been considered by the respondent Municipality and order has been passed by the respondent/Municipality.

4. Recording the above said facts, the Writ Petition stands closed. No costs.

30.01.2026

NCS : Yes/No
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