



WP(MD)Nos.36540 and 36541 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 02/01/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

WP(MD)Nos.36540 and 36541 of 2025
and
WMP(MD)Nos.29070 and 29071 of 2025

P.Kodeeswaran
Kaja Mohaideen

... Petitioner in W.P.36540/25
... Petitioner in W.P.36541/25

Vs.

1. The District Collector Cum
Regional Transport Authority,
Madurai District,
Madurai 625 020.

2. The Regional Transport Officer,
Madurai Central,
Madurai District.

... Respondents in both WPs

PRAYER in both WPs:- Writ Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1st respondent to permit the petitioners' Mini Buses bearing Registration Nos.TC L 5757 and TN 59 N 0458 to enter into Aarappalayam Bus stand from Aarappalayam junction a



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distance of 0.2 Kms as per Class VII of the new Mini Bus scheme in G.O.Ms.No.198, Home (Transport -I) Department dated 28.04.2025.

For Petitioner(in both WPs) : Mr.A.C. Asaithambi
For Respondents : Mr.A.Oliraja, Government Advocate

COMMON ORDER

The prayer in these writ petitions is to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1st respondent to permit the petitioners' Mini Buses bearing Registration Nos.TC L 5757 and TN 59 N 0458 to enter into Aarappalayam Bus stand from Aarappalayam Junction a distance of 0.2 Kms as per Class VII of the new Mini Bus scheme in G.O.Ms.No. 198, Home (Transport -I) Department dated 28.04.2025.

2. The petitioners have made representations dated 28.04.2025 to the 1st respondent to permit their Mini Buses bearing registration Nos.TC L 5757 and TN 59 N 0458 to enter into Arappalayam Bus Stand from Arappalayam Junction, a distance of 0.2 kms as per Class VII of G.O(Ms)No.198, Home (Transport-I) Department, dated



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28.04.2025. Since the said representations had not been considered, these writ petitions have been filed.

3. It is relevant to extract below Class VII of G.O.No.198:

"(VII) Extension to cater to Institutions:

Notwithstanding points (i) to (vi) above, if any adjoining area within the next 1 km from the terminal point happens to be a Government Hospital, Higher Secondary School, College, Railway Station, Uzhavarsandhai, Agricultural regulatory market, Collectorate and Taluk Office, places of family religious worship or a place just before a bus stand and the served route happens to exceed the maximum permitted route length, then the Regional Transport Authority, in consultation with other stakeholders, namely, State Transport Undertakings, Local Bodies, Regional Transport Officer, etc., can permit the additional distance of up to 1 km in the served area so as to enable the passengers to reach the above mentioned needy places. This consideration shall not apply to other places apart from the above mentioned places."



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4. Today, when the writ petitions were taken up for hearing, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that it is suffice if the 1st respondent is directed to consider and dispose of the petitioners' representations dated 28.04.2025 in the light of Class VII of G.O(Ms)No.198, Home (Transport-I) Department, dated 28.04.2025, within a time frame.

5. The learned Government Advocate appearing for the 1st respondent would submit that the 1st respondent will consider and dispose of the petitioners' representations dated 28.04.2025 in the light of Class VII of G.O(Ms)No.198 within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

6. Recording the submissions made on either side, these Writ Petitions are disposed of directing the 1st respondent to consider the petitioners' representations dated 28.04.2025 and pass appropriate orders in the light of Class VII of G.O(Ms)No.198, Home (Transport-

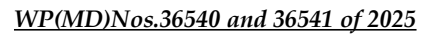


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I) Department, dated 28.04.2025, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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