



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 16432 of 2026

Morris Thiruthuvanathan

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Registrar Of Co-operative
Department (Housing Section),
V.V.P. Nagar, Thattachavady Post,
Puducherry-605 009
2. The President /Administrator
Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Co-operative,
Housing Society, No.24, 1st Floor,
Mahathma Gandhi Complex,
Saram Market, Puducherry-605 013

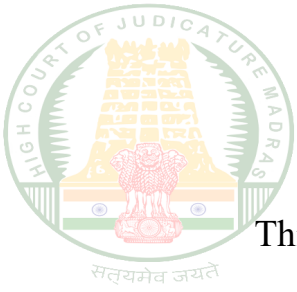
..Respondent(s)

Prayer:- Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ of Mandamus to direct the second respondent to release the amount of Rs.15,09,747/- toward 22 months salary of the petitioner EPF contribution made by the petitioner, gratuity which the petitioner is entitled to get and bonus and D.A. with interest of 12 percent.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.V.Ajayakumar

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Sreedhar AGP(P)for R1

Mr.V.Vasanth Kumar, AGP(P) for R.2



ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed for the following reliefs:-

WEB COPY “to direct the second respondent to release the amount of Rs.15,09,747/- toward 22 months salary of the petitioner EPF contribution made by the petitioner, gratuity which the petitioner is entitled to get and bonus and D.A. with interest of 12 percent.”

Brief Facts:-

2. The petitioner would submit that he had joined the service of the second respondent Society on 15.03.2002 on a consolidated pay basis. His consolidated remuneration was revised from time to time, and he was subsequently appointed on a regular basis on 29.10.2008 in the pay scale of Rs.4,400–11,200.

3. The petitioner would further submit that, due to the mental stress and harassment allegedly caused by the Management, he had submitted an application seeking voluntary retirement on 21.11.2023. The said application was accepted on 05.12.2023, and he was consequently relieved from service.

4. The petitioner would submit that, at the time of his retirement, salary arrears for 22 months remained unpaid. That apart, provident fund contributions deducted from his salary, gratuity, staff bonus, and dearness allowance payable



to him have also not been disbursed by the respondents. Therefore, the petitioner had submitted several representations, the last of which was dated 27.02.2025, to the concerned authorities seeking payment of the aforesaid dues.

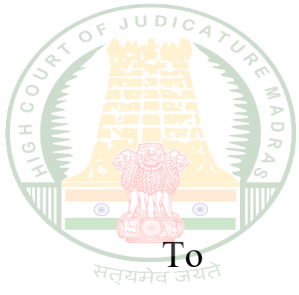
However, no effective action has been taken and the amounts claimed by the petitioner remain unpaid to date. Hence, the petitioner has approached this Court seeking the relief stated supra.

5. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

6. Considering the fact that the petitioner had retired from service as early as on 21.11.2023 and his representation dated 27.02.2025 seeking payment of the amounts due to him has not been considered to date, the Writ Petition is allowed. The second respondent is directed to consider and dispose of the petitioner's representation on merits and in accordance with law, after giving the petitioner an opportunity of personal hearing to put forth his case. The petitioner shall produce all necessary documents in support of his claim before the second respondent. The said exercise shall be completed by the second respondent within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

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