

HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, MADURAI

Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai - 625023

Saturday the 14th day of March 2026

NATIONAL LOK ADALAT AWARD

(Chapter VI and u/s 21 of Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987)

Presided Over by
The Honourable Mr Justice P.B. BALAJI
and
Members

Mr. John R.D. Santhosam, District Judge (Retired) , Mrs. S. Jessimathul Fathima, Advocate

CMA(MD) No.702 of 2021

(Appeal against the judgment and decree passed on 18/06/2020 in MCOP.769/2017 on the file of the VI ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT, Madurai)

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR,
TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT CORPORATION MADURAI LTD., BYE PASS ROAD,
MADURAI - 625 010.

...Appellant/s

Versus

1. NAGANANTHINI,
W/O. RAVI KUMAR, 1/64, AMBALAHARANPATTI, UTHANKUDI POST, MADURAI NORTH
TALUK, MADURAI DISTRICT - 625 107.

2. MINOR. BHUVIN AMUTHAN,
S/O. RAVI KUMAR, 1/64, AMBALAHARANPATTI, UTHANKUDI POST, MADURAI NORTH
TALUK, MADURAI DISTRICT - 625 107.

3. Minor. KETHRA SHAKSHAYINI,
D/O. RAVI KUMAR, 1/64, AMBALAHARANPATTI, UTHANKUDI POST, MADURAI NORTH
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[R1 and Minor R2 and R3 rep through their natural guardian Amudha, W/o. Sundarrajan, 1/64, Ambalakaranpatti, Uthankudi Post, Madurai North Taluk, Madurai District - 625 107. Amudha is appointed as natural guardian of R1, Minor Respondents 2nd and 3rd vide court order dated 01.04.2025 made in CMP(MD)No. 17604 of 2024 in CMA(MD)No. 702 of 2021 by LVGJ.

4. ARUNACHALAM,
S/O. ALAGUPILLAI, 1/64, AMBALAHARANPATTI, UTHANKUDI POST, MADURAI NORTH
TALUK, MADURAI DISTRICT - 625 107.

5. PANDIAMMAL,
W/O. ARUNACHALAM, 1/64, AMBALAHARANPATTI, UTHANKUDI POST, MADURAI
NORTH TALUK, MADURAI DISTRICT - 625 107.

...Respondent/s



This case came up for settlement before the Lok Adalat. Both the parties present. The counsel for the appellant/s Mr.P.Prabhakaran and the counsel for the respondent/s Mr.K.Sudalayandi, are present. After mutual discussion, negotiation, mediation and conciliation between both parties and with the assistance of the Bench, both sides consented for settlement.

AWARD

The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation is on appeal challenging the award of compensation to the tune of Rs.10 Lakhs.

2.Today, the appellant and the respondents / claimants are present with the respective Counsel and they have amicably settled the compensation amount at Rs.13,00,000/- [Rupees Thirteen Lakhs] in full quit. The apportionment shall be in the following manner:

- i. The respondents 1 to 3 shall be entitled to Rs.4,00,000/- each.
- ii. The fourth respondent, father of the deceased is no more.
- iii. The fifth respondent / Pandiammal, mother of the deceased is entitled to the remaining 1 Lakh rupees.

3.The Transport Corporation shall deposit a sum of Rs.12,75,000/- after adjusting Rs. 25,000/- already deposited as a pre-condition at the time of filing of the appeal within a period of twelve [12] weeks from the date of receipt of the order. On such deposit, the respondents / claimants shall be entitled to withdraw their respective entitlements subject to the share of the minors 2 & 3 being deposited in a Fixed Deposit in any nationalised bank and interest shall be withdrawn by their guardian Amudha, once in three months. The fixed deposit shall be initially for three years and shall be renewed subsequently, till such time the minors attain the age of majority. It is also brought to our notice that the first respondent is mentally challenged and she is also under the care and custody of Amudha. The share of the first respondent shall be withdrawn by her mother / guardian Amudha.



The parties shall be entitled to withdraw their respective shares without filing any formal petition.

4. This Civil Miscellaneous Petition is disposed of on the above terms. No costs. Connected

miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Counsel for the Appellant/s

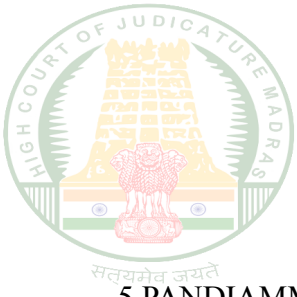
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This Lok Adalat award is passed in terms of the above settlement.

The full Court fee paid shall be refunded to the appellant in the manner provided under Section 69-A of the Tamilnadu Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act, 1955 and the Court Fees Act, 1870 as provided for under sub Sec.1 of Section 21 r/w 25 of LSA Act 1987 as amended in 1994.

The Original of the award shall be place in the court record and copy of the award, kept with High Court Legal Services Committee and one copy each is furnished to both parties free of cost.

In agreement of the above, both parties and their counsel have affixed their signatures/ thumb impressions in presence of the Lok Adalat Bench admitting the terms and today conditions and accordingly, the award is passed.

JUDGE

MEMBER

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To: The Parties/Advocate concerned

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2. The Officer-in-Charge, High Court Legal Services Committee, Madurai.
3. The Section Officer, V.R. Section, Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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PA To The Hon'ble Judges