



W.P.(MD) No.6758 of 2026

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 12.03.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE MUMMINENI SUDHEER KUMAR

W.P.(MD) No.6758 of 2026
and
W.M.P.(MD) No.5589 of 2026

Mathivathana Sundhari

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The Director of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture
Chepauk, Chennai-600 005
- 2.The Joint Director of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture
Mannarpuram, Sangillyandapuram
Trichy-620 020
- 3.The Assistant Director of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture
Lalgudi, Trichy-620 021
- 4.Ravikumaran

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 3 to disburse 30% of the terminal benefits of the petitioner's son, the 4th respondent / Ravikumaran to



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the petitioner and further direct the respondents 1 to 3 to pay Rs.5,000/- per month from the monthly pension of the petitioner's son the 4th respondent / Ravikumaran to the petitioner as per the undertaking dated 20.12.2024 by the 4th respondent within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.R.Sreenivasan

For Respondents : Mr.S.Shaji Bino
Special Government Pleader for R1 to R3

ORDER

The dispute that is sought to be resolved in this writ petition is in connection with the dispute between the petitioner and her son / fourth respondent. According to the petitioner, the fourth respondent got employment on compassionate grounds consequent upon the death of her husband. But, he fails to take care of the petitioner throughout and on a complaint made by the petitioner to the District Collector, Tiruchirappalli District, an enquiry was conducted and in the course of enquiry, the fourth respondent has given an undertaking to pay certain amounts from his salary and also a portion of the service benefits to his mother / petitioner herein. As the fourth respondent has now made an application for voluntary retirement



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and he is likely to receive the terminal benefits, the petitioner has approached this Court by filing the present writ petition seeking the relief as stated above.

2. This Court, having taken note the facts and circumstances of the case, is of the considered view that the present writ petition cannot be entertained as the dispute between the petitioner and the fourth respondent is purely civil in nature, which can be very well agitated before the competent authority under the provisions of the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007.

3. Accordingly, this writ petition is dismissed leaving it open to the petitioner to pursue her remedy before the competent authority under the provisions of the above said Act. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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