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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 11.03.2026

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR**

W.P(MD)No.6734 of 2026
and
W.M.P.(MD)Nos.5563 and 5564 of 2026

S.Sangilikalai

... Petitioner

vs.

1.The Commissioner,
Rural Development and Panchayat Department,
Chennai.

2.The District Collector,
O/o the District Collector,
Virudhunagar.

3.The Project Director,
Department of Rural Development,
Collectorate, Virudhunagar.

4.The Assistant Director of Panchayat,
O/o the Assistant Director of Panchayat,
Virudhunagar District.

5.The Block Development Officer /
Commissioner, Vembakottai Union,
Virudhunagar.

6.M.Palanichamy
7.S.Murugan

... Respondents

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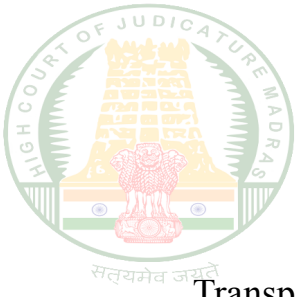
PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records pertaining to the impugned tender notice of the 5th respondent dated 21.02.2026 and quash the same as illegal, arbitrary and consequently direct the respondents to conduct a fresh tender process strictly in accordance with law and the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998.

For Petitioner :Mr.S.Ramsundarvijayaraj
For R1 to R4 :Mr.D.Sadiq Raja
Additional Government Pleader
For R5 :Mr.S.Shanmugavel
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

Mr. D. Sadiq Raja, learned Additional Government Pleader, takes notice on behalf of respondents 1 to 4, and Mr. S. Shanmugavel, learned Additional Government Pleader, takes notice on behalf of the fifth respondent.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the tender notification has been issued without providing 15 days' time for submission of bids, as required under Rule 20(2) of the Tamil Nadu



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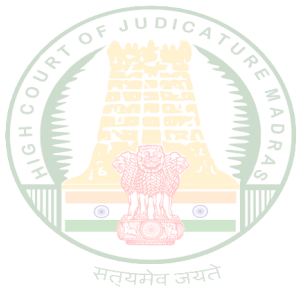
Transparency in Tenders Rules, 2000. It is further submitted that the tender document was not given wide circulation, and therefore the impugned tender notification is contrary to the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act and the Rules framed thereunder.

3. Issue notice to respondents 6 and 7, returnable by 26.03.2026. Private notice is also permitted.

4. Post the matter on 26.03.2026. In the meantime, respondents 6 and 7 shall not carry out any work pursuant to the work order, if the work has not already commenced.

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