



C.M.P.(MD) No.20585 of 2025

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 19.02.2026

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE G.JAYACHANDRAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN**

**C.M.P.(MD) No.20585 of 2025
and
W.A.(MD) SR No.109252 of 2025**

1. The Chief Engineer,
Water Resource Department,
Madurai Region,
Thallakulam,
Madurai District.
2. The Superintending Engineer,
O/o. the Superintending Engineer,
Water Resource Department,
Thamirabarani Basin Circle,
Tirunelveli District.
3. The Executive Engineer,
Water Resource Department,
Kodhayar Basin Division,
Nagercoil,
Kanyakumari district.
4. The Assistant Engineer,
WRD, Irrigation Section,
Thuckalay,
Kanyakumari District.



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5. The Assistant Executive Engineer,
WRD, Kothaiyar Basin Sub Division,
Thuckalay,
Kanyakumari District.

... Petitioners

-vs-

S.Christhuraj

... Respondent

PRAYER: Petition filed under Section 5 of Limitation Act to condone the delay
of 345 days in filing the above writ appeal.

For Petitioners : Mr.Veera Kathiravan
Additional Government Pleader
Asst. by Mr.S.R.A.Ramachandran
Additional Government Pleader

For Respondent : Mr.M.Mohaboob Fazil
for M/s.Roy and Roy Associates

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by DR.G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.]

This civil miscellaneous petition has been filed seeking to condone
the delay of 345 days in filing the above writ appeal.

2. Mr.M.Mohaboob Fazil, learned counsel has entered appearance
for the respondent.



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3. The State through its Chief Engineer, has preferred this appeal against the order passed by the learned Single Judge in batch of writ petitions on the ground that the order impugned was passed at the time of admission itself without affording opportunity to the State. However, there is a substantial delay in filing appeal. In the affidavit accompanying the petition for condoning the delay, the reason for the delay is elaborately explained. Hence, we are satisfied that the reason stated is sufficient and we are inclined to condone the delay.

4. Accordingly, the petition for condonation of delay of 345 is allowed and the delay of 345 days in filing appeal is condoned.

5. Registry is directed to number the writ appeal, if the papers are otherwise in order and post the same for admission in the usual course.

[G.J., J.]

[K.K.R.K., J.]

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