



2025:KER:6657

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE MURALI PURUSHOTHAMAN

TUESDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025 / 8TH MAGHA, 1946

WP(C) NO. 3227 OF 2025

PETITIONER:

SATHYAN.K.M
AGED 58 YEARS
S/O. MADHAVAN, KALLIYATH HOUSE, PO PERINCHERY, AVANISSERI,
THRISSUR, PIN – 680 306.

BY ADV O.D. SIVADAS

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER
KERALA MOTOR TRANSPORT WORKERS' WELFARE FUND BOARD, 1ST
FLOOR, DOOR NO:36/1662, HIGH ROAD, THRISSUR, PIN – 680 001.
- 2 THE JOINT REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER
(TAXATION OFFICER) SUB REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICE, MINI CIVIL
STATION, THRIPRAYAR THRISSUR DISTRICT, PIN – 680 567.

BY ADVS.

P. RAMAKRISHNAN, STANDING COUNSEL
ANIMA, GOVERNMENT PLEADER.

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 28.01.2025,
THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:



JUDGMENT

The petitioner is a Stage Carriage Operator. The vehicle of the petitioner bearing No.KL 58 K 2221 fell in arrears towards contribution payable to the Motor Transport Worker's Welfare Fund Board. The petitioner approached the 1st respondent for payment of the arrears in instalments. Since the request was not considered, the petitioner has filed this writ petition for the following reliefs:-

“(i) Issue a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order of direction directing the 1st respondent to quantify the total amount payable by the petitioner as contribution towards the Motor Transport Welfare Fund Board in respect of vehicle No KL 58 K 2221 and permit the petitioner to pay the arrears of welfare



fund contribution in respect of the above vehicle in 12 instalments;

(ii) Issue other appropriate writ, order or direction directing the 1st respondent to issue clearance certificate in respect of vehicle No. KL 58 K 2221 on payment of 1st installment towards the contribution to the Motor Transport Worker's Welfare Fund Board enabling the petitioner to pay the Motor Vehicle Tax in respect of stage carriage No. KL 58 K 2221.”

2. Heard the learned Counsel for the petitioner, Adv. P. Ramakrishnan, the learned Standing Counsel for the 1st respondent and the learned Government Pleader for the 2nd respondent.

There will be a direction to the petitioner to file appropriate representation before the 1st respondent for grant of instalments for payment of contribution towards



the Motor Transport Worker's Welfare Fund Board in respect of the aforesaid vehicle. If such a representation is filed within 10 days from today, the 1st respondent shall consider the same and pass appropriate orders thereon within a period of two weeks therefrom. The order shall be communicated to the petitioner.

The writ petition is disposed of as above.

Sd/-

MURALI PURUSHOTHAMAN
JUDGE



APPENDIX OF WP(C) 3227/2025

PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT P1

**THE TRUE COPY OF THE RELEVANT PORTION OF THE
RC BOOK IN RESPECT OF PETITIONER'S STAGE
CARRIAGE NO.KL 58 K 2221.**