

**HON'BLE SMT JUSTICE KONGARA VIJAYA LAKSHMI**

**WRIT PETITION No.6888 of 2022**

**ORDER:**

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for the respondents. With the consent of both the parties, the Writ Petition is being disposed of at the admission stage.

2. This Writ Petition is filed with the following prayer:

“..... declaring the inaction of the respondents in compliance of payment of Rs.7,48,933/- under M Book No.4694-B, dated 17.02.2022, for the works done by the petitioner for BT to the road from 197 Ramapuram road to Bandarlapalli (via) Krishnajammapuram of Gudipala Mandal, Chittoor District, as illegal, arbitrary, violation of principles of natural justice, contrary to the Rules & Regulations there under and consequently direct the respondents to pay an amount of Rs.7,48,933/- under M Book No.4694-B, dated 17.02.2022...”

3. The case of the petitioner is that he is doing various contractual works. The respondent authorities have called for the tender notice for the subject work and entered into an agreement with the petitioner on 02.01.2019. The petitioner completed the said work within the period specified in the agreement. The respondent authorities have measured the work and recorded in M Book; thereby, issued pass order for an amount of Rs.7,48,933/-. It was sent to CFMS vide token No.2598354/2021 for payment of dues. But, till today, the amount was not received. As the amount is not received by the petitioner, he filed the present Wit Petition.

4. The learned Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj, on instructions, submits that there is no dispute with regard to execution of work by the petitioner.

5. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in similar facts and circumstances W.P.No.5472 of 2022 was disposed of on 22.03.2022 directing the respondents to release the amounts. The learned Government Pleader does not dispute the same.

6. In view of the facts and circumstances of the case, the respondents are directed to release the amount of Rs.7,48,933/- to the petitioner at the earliest, and at any rate, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is made clear that it is open to the petitioner to agitate his claim for interest, if any payable by the respondents, in an appropriate forum.

The Writ Petition is, accordingly, disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

As a sequel thereto, the miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending in this Writ Petition shall stand closed.

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**KONGARA VIJAYA LAKSHMI, J.**

Date: 11.04.2022

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