#### IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

#### PRESENT:

#### THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.N.RAVINDRAN

#### MONDAY, THE 25TH DAY OF JUNE 2012/4TH ASHADHA 1934

Con.Case(C).No. 628 of 2012 (S) IN WPC/27056/2011

AGAINST THE ORDER/JUDGMENT IN WPC.NO.27056/2011 DATED 13-10-2011

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#### /PETITIONERS/PETITIONERS IN WPC:

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- 1. M.T. MATHEW, AGED 67 YEARS, S/O. THOMAS, LINEMAN-I (RETIRED), KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD, RESIDING AT MEPURATH HOUSE, KUMBALATHANAM, THEEYODICKAL P.O., PATHANAMTHITTA DISTRICT.
- 2. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN ACHARY, AGED 69 YEARS, S/O. KRISHNAN ACHARY, SUB ENGINEER(RETD), KERLA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD, RESIDING AT KOLAPRA HOUSE, CHEERANCHIRA P.O., CHENGANACHERY.
- 3. N.KRISHNA PILLAI,
  AGED 71 YEARS, S/O. NARAYANAN PILLAI,
  ASST. ENGINEER (RETD),
  KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD,
  RESIDING AT 'AMBADI' ULAVANKKAD, NOORANAD.

BY ADV. SRI.P.M.MOHAMMED SHIRAZ

#### **RESPONDENT/1ST RESPONDENT IN WPC:**

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S. ROOPAKALA JAGATH, AGED 52 YEARS, FATHER'S NAME NOT KNOWN TO PETITIONER, SECRETARY,KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD, VYDYUTHI BHAVAN, PATTOM P.O., TRIVANDRUM-695 004.

BY ADV. SRI.K.S.ANIL, SC, KSEB

THIS CONTEMPT OF COURT CASE (CIVIL) HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 25-06-2012, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

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#### COC.NO.628/2012

#### **APPENDIX**

### **PETITIONER'S ANNEXURES:**

**ANNEX A** COPY OF THE JUDGMENT DATED 13/10/2011 IN WP(C)NO.27056 OF 2011

COPY OF THE LETTER DATED 03/03/2012 OF 3RD PETITIONER. ANNEX B

**RESPONDENT'S ANNEXURES:** NIL

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P.S.TO.JUDGE

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# P.N.RAVINDRAN, J.

Contempt Case (C).No.628 of 2012

Dated this the 25th day of June, 2012

#### **JUDGMENT**

This Contempt of Court Case is filed alleging that the respondent herein has willfully disobeyed the direction issued by this Court in Annexure A judgment in W.P.(C) No.27056 of 2011. It is contended that though this Court had by the said judgment directed that the principal amount of gratuity should be paid within three months from the date of the judgment and the interest portion should be deposited within six months from the date of deposit of the principal amount, till date the principal amount has not been deposited.

2. When the Contempt of Court Case came up for hearing today, the respondent who is present in person as well as the learned standing counsel appearing for the Kerala State Electricity Board submitted that the principal amount of gratuity has since been deposited. The learned standing counsel appearing for the Board however, submitted that the time limit fixed by this Court for payment of interest has expired and therefore this Contempt

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of Court Case may be closed reserving liberty with the respondent to move this Court for enlargement of time for depositing the interest portion. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners did not oppose the said request.

In such circumstances, as the principal amount of gratuity has already been paid, I find no grounds to proceed further with this Contempt of Court Case. The Contempt of Court Case is accordingly closed, reserving liberty with the respondent to move this Court for enlargement of time for depositing the interest portion.

P.N.RAVINDRAN, Judge.

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## **JUDGMENT**

25<sup>th</sup> June, 2012