



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Abstract

Local Self Government Department- PMGSY-2008-09 (Phase VII) Package No.KR 11-28 A in Mallappally Block, Pathanamthitta- Standing Empowered Committee - Constituted - Orders issued.

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Local Self Government (DD) Department

G.O.(Rt)No.253/2026/LSGD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 01-02-2026

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- Read:- 1. G.O.(Rt)No.2208/2019/LSGD dated 09.10.2019.  
 2.Judgment dated 10.01.2025 in WP(C) No.29751/2019 filed by Sri. Renji Thomas.  
 2.Letter No. KSRRDA/146/2023-B dated 24.05.2025, 07.11.2025 and 21.01.2026 from the Chief Engineer, KSRRDA.

### ORDER

Sri. Renji Thomas was the contractor of the PMGSY work having Package No.KR 11-28 A in Mallappally Block, Pathanamthitta. As the contractor failed to complete the work in time, the work was terminated under the risk and cost of contractor and KSRRDA quantified a liability of Rs.2,49,54,588/- on account of the non-completion of the work as per Engg.DB4/3380/2012/KSRRDA dated 01.06.2017(Ext.P2) and recovery proceedings were initiated. Against this the petitioner filed W.P.(C) No.22542/2017 and also filed a petition (Ext P6) before Government. As per the judgment dated 11.4.2019 in W.P.(C) No.22542/2017, the Hon'ble High Court had directed to dispose Ext P6 after giving opportunity of hearing to all concerned. Accordingly as per Government order read as 1st paper above, Government rejected the request of the Petitioner. Against this the Petitioner filed WP(C) No.29751/2019 and as per the judgment read as 2nd paper above, the Court set aside Ext.P2 and directed the 3rd respondent (Superintending Engineer, KSRRDA) to proceed for fixation of liability against the petitioner, in accordance with the judgment in Abdul Rahiman v. Divisional Forest Officer [1988 (2) KLT 290]. The court also permit the petitioner to participate in the fresh tender proceedings with respect to the work in question, if the same has not yet been awarded to anyone.

2) In the mean time, the petitioner again filed W.P (C) 14115/2025 against the District Collector, Pathanamthitta as he rejected the request to exempt from the RR proceedings. The Judgment dated 10.4.2025 of this case, directed

the District Collector to hear the Petitioner and Superintending Engineer, KSRRDA and pass appropriate orders within two months from the date of receipt of the judgement. In the above circumstances, the Chief Engineer, KSRRDA, as per letter read as 3rd paper above, has recommended that a Standing Empowered Committee will be a better option to take a final decision in the dispute.

3) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to constitute a Standing Empowered Committee, for the redressal of the dispute, regarding the subject work with the following composition;

- i) Principal Director, LSGD - Chairperson
- ii) Chief Engineer, LSGD - Official Member
- iii) Sri.R.Murukesan, Chief Engineer (Rtd.) PWD - Non-official Member

4) The Chief Engineer, KSRRDA shall take necessary steps to present the details of the case before the Standing Empowered Committee for settling the dispute.

(By order of the Governor)  
G RAMANATH  
DEPUTY SECRETARY

The Principal Director, LSGD, Thiruvananthapuram  
The Chief Engineer, LSGD, Thiruvananthapuram  
The Chief Engineer, KSRRDA, Thiruvananthapuram  
Sri.R.Murukesan, Chief Engineer(Rtd.) (through the CE, KSRRDA)  
Sri.Renji Thomas, Kalloorath House,Puthenpeedika, Omaloor P.O,  
Pathanamthita  
The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram  
The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram  
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