



W.P.No.29221 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 30.07.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR

W.P.No.29221 of 2026
and
W.M.P.No.32105 of 2026

C.Chellatur Thilak

... Petitioner

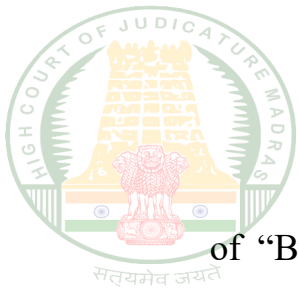
vs.

1. The Commissioner
Greater Chennai Corporation
Ripon Building
Chennai-600 003.
2. The Zonal Officer
Greater Chennai Corporation
Zone 12, Alandur
SIDCO Industrial Estate
Anulayapettai
Guindy, Chennai-600 032.
3. K.Sundar
S/o.Sri Krishnamurthy

... Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying a writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents 1 and 2 to take immediate action against the 3rd respondent for having illegally converted the petitioner's residential house into a lodging house, under the name and style

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of “Buddy’s Home Stay” without any licence from the 1st respondent as contemplated under Section 102 of the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Act, 1998.

For Petitioner : Ms.Padmaja Mohan

For Respondents : Ms.S.Vanitha Joice Rani
Standing Counsel

ORDER

Ms. S. Vanitha Joice Rani, learned Standing Counsel, accepts notice for respondents 1 and 2. As this writ petition is being disposed of without affecting the rights of the third respondent, notice to the third respondent is dispensed with.

2. The petitioner has filed this writ petition seeking a direction to respondents 1 and 2 to take action against the third respondent for allegedly converting the petitioner’s residential house into a lodging house under the name and style of “Buddy’s Home Stay” without obtaining the licence required under Section 102 of the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Act, 1998.



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3. According to the petitioner, he is the owner of the property and had let it out to the third respondent only for residential use. It is alleged that, in violation of the terms of the rental agreement and Section 102 of the Act, the third respondent is operating a home stay from the premises without obtaining the necessary licence. The petitioner therefore submitted a representation dated 26.06.2026 to respondents 1 and 2 seeking appropriate action.

4. The grievance of the petitioner is that the said representation has not yet been considered.

5. Learned Standing Counsel, on instructions, submits that the petitioner's representation dated 26.06.2026 will be considered and appropriate orders will be passed within the time that may be fixed by this Court.

6. In view of the above submission, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents 1 and 2 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 26.06.2026 on its own merits and pass appropriate orders



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in accordance with law, after giving an opportunity of hearing to all concerned parties. This exercise shall be completed within four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

7. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Speaking / Non-speaking order
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