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W.P.(MD) No.3934 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 12.02.2026

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE G.JAYACHANDRAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN**

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A.M.Sundaravel

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The Principal Secretary
Transport Department
Fort St.George, Secretariat
Chennai-600 009
- 2.The Managing Director
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
Madurai Ltd., Bye-pass Road
Madurai-625 010
- 3.The Managing Director
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
Vannarapettai
Tirunelveli-627 003
- 4.The Managing Director
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
Thiruppathur
Sivagangai District



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5.The Managing Director
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
Trichy Division, Trichy District

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 5 to take necessary steps to direct all the drivers and conductors of the TNSTC Department buses under the control of the respondents 2 to 5 and operated from Trichy to Madurai Madurai to Tirunelveli to complete their food necessities at the hotels situated at premises of Trichy Bus Stand, Madurai Bus Stand and Tirunelveli Bus Stand and consequently forbearing all the drivers and conductors of TNSTC buses under the control of respondents 2 to 5 to stop and get free food from hotels situated in between bus routes Trichy to Madurai, Madurai to Tirunelveli and to avoid causing nuisance and mental agony to the passengers and public by considering the petitioner's representation dated 18.06.2025, 26.06.2025, 02.07.2025, 26.08.2025, 02.12.2025, 04.12.2025, 12.12.2025 and 23.01.2026 within a stipulated period as framed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.M.Sundaravel
Party-in-Person

For Respondents : Mr.P.Thilakkumar
Government Pleader for R1 to R3
Mr.S.C.Herold Singh for R4 & R5



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ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by DR.G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.]

Alleging that the Transport Corporation buses are being halted in the motels located on the Highways for getting food at free of cost for the crew members, this writ petition is filed.

2. The specific allegation of the petitioner, who is appearing as a party-in-person, is that in Trichy to Madurai and Madurai to Tirunelveli route, the Transport Corporation buses are being halted in the motels by the crew members only to get free foods. Therefore, there must be a mandamus directing the respondents not to halt the Transport Corporation buses at those motels. The petitioner further states that by halting the Transport Corporation buses by the crew members in these motels, the passengers are put to mental agony.

3. On perusal of the records, we find no merit in this writ petition. In a long distance route, for the sake of passengers as well as the crew members, the buses are being halted for getting some relief from tiredness, to have some snacks or food of their choice and also to attend nature's calls. The



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larger interest of the passengers is predominant. The allegation of the petitioner that the motel managements are providing food to the crew members at free of cost and only for the sake of the crew members, the Transport Corporation buses are being halted at the motels is mischievous and condemnable. Hence, we are not inclined to entertain this writ petition.

4. Accordingly, this writ petition is dismissed. The petitioner is warned not to file public interest litigation of this nature henceforth. If he continues to file public interest litigation of this nature, he will be prohibited from filing any public interest litigation in future. No costs.

[G.J., J.]

[K.K.R.K., J.]

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