



W.P.(MD) No.700 of 2019

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 02.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR**
AND
THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN**

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and

W.M.P.(MD) No.598 of 2019

S.M.A.Gandhimathi Nathan

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The State of Tamil Nadu Rep. by
The Principal Secretary to Government,
Department of Revenue and Disaster Management,
Fort St.George, Secretariat, Chennai - 9.
- 2.The Commissioner,
Department of Revenue and Disaster Management,
Ezhilagam Building, Chepuak,
Chennai - 600 005.
- 3.The District Collector,
Collectorate,
Thoothukudi District.
- 4.Mrs.Vijaya,
The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Kovilpatti Division, Thoothukudi District.
- 5.Mr.Kaliraj,
The Tahsildar, Ottapidaram Taluk,
Thoothukudi District.

... Respondents



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Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the first to third respondents to take appropriate action against the fourth and fifth respondents for failing in their duty by not preventing the illegal quarrying of Gravel and Peach Soil by the soil mafia and violating the norms of G.O.Ms.No.50 (Industries MMC.1 Department) dated 27.04.2017 in Naraikinaru Peria Kulam, Thuppaspatti Road, Mela Arasaradi Pond, Osanoothu Gunan Kulam, Melapandiapuram Pond in Ottapidaram Taluk, Thoothukudi District.

For Petitioner : Mr.I.Pinaygash

For R1 to R3 : Mr.P.T.Thiraviam
Government Advocate

O R D E R

[Order of the Court was made by Hon'ble **MR.N.SATHISH KUMAR, J.**]

The petitioner has sought action against the fourth and fifth respondents for violation of G.O.Ms.No.50 (Industries (MMC.1) Department) dated 27.04.2017 and for granting permission to private soil smugglers illegally without proper authorisation.



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WEB COPY 2. According to the petitioner, though the representation had already been forwarded to the Revenue Divisional Officer in the year 2018, no action has been taken. The main grievance of the petitioner is that while granting permission with regard to mining clay from Thuppaspatti area, Melapandiyapuram Pond, Chinnakulam, Periyakulam and Naraikinaru, permission has been granted to one S.Pandi, S.Veeraperumal and S.Venkatachalapathi in violation of the Act and the Rules.

3. The learned Government Advocate filed a communication from the Tahsildar along with the A2-Section Mining Permission Register, Ottapidaram Taluk and brought to the notice of this Court that the said permissions granted with regard to the said ponds are found at Sl.Nos.6, 17 and 42 in the said Register. Relying upon the same, he submitted that every permission was granted pursuant to G.O.Ms.No.50 (Industries (MMC.1) Department) dated 27.04.2017.

4. Recording the same, this Court is of the view that no further orders are required to be passed in this Writ Petition. Therefore, this Writ



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Petition is dismissed as infructuous. No costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

[N.S.K., J.] & [M.J.R., J.]

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