

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE C.V. KARTHIKEYAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE R.SAKTHIVEL

CONT P(MD) No. 1120 of 2021

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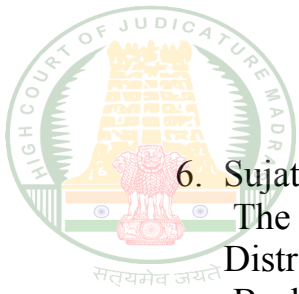
WP(MD) No. 10337 of 2021

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. A.V.Venkatachalam,
The Director, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control
Board, No.76, Annasalai, Lake View Colony,
Guindy, Chennai 600 032.
2. Lakshmi,
The District Environmental Engineer,
Tamilnadu Pollution Control Board, No.25,
SIDCO Industrial Area, Thiruchirappalli 15.
3. Shivarasu,
The District Collector,
Thiruchirappalli,
Thiruchirappalli, District.
4. Chitra,
The Thasildar,
Taluk Office, Lalgudi Taluk,
Thiruchirappalli District.
5. Pradap Sing,
The Village Administrative Officer,
Village Administrative Office, Neikulam
Village, Lalgudi Taluk,
Thiruchirappalli, District.



6. Sujatha,
The District Forest Officer,
District forest Office,
Backside of District Court,
Thiruchirappalli District.

7. Yoganathan,
The proprietor,
Coimbatore minerals M sand Unit III Neikulam
Village, Lalgudi Taluk, Thiruchirappalli
District.

PRAYER: Filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Court Act, 1971, to punish the respondent for willful disobedience of the order of this Court passed in W.P.(MD).No.10337 of 2021 dated 21.06.2021.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.J.Milton Arul Rajendran

For Respondent(s): Ms.Madhuri Donti Reddy (R1 & R2)
Standing Counsel
Mr.S.I.Muthiah (R3 to R6)
Counsel for State

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by C.V.Karthikeyan J.)

A report has been filed on behalf of the first and second respondents as follows:

5.It is respectfully submitted that the TNPCB vide B.P.No.26 dated 30.07.2018 has issued siting criteria and guidelines for M.Sand units. The unit has complied with the siting criteria as follows:



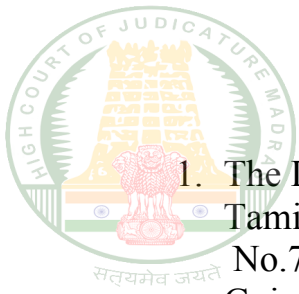
Sl.No	Siting criteria as per B.P.No.26 dt:30.07.2018	Compliance
1	The boundary of stand-alone M-sand units shall be located 300 meters away from the approved habitations	There is no approved habitation within 300 meters from the unit
2	Stand-alone M-sand units shall be located 100 metres away from the boundary of National Highway/State Highways.	The distance between the National Highway and the boundary M-sand unit is 400m
3	There will be no distance criteria between the stand alone M sand units	The uni is a stand alone M-sand unit.

6.It is respectfully submitted that one more writ petition was filed by Thiru.A.Michaelsamy against this unit of M/s.Coimbatore minerals M sand unit III vide W.P.(MD)No.19269 of 2021 & 812 of 2022 before this Hon'ble Court. The case is pending before this Hon'ble Court. It is respectfully submitted that Consent to Establish was issued to the unit M/s.Coimbatore minerals M sand unit III after satisfying the siting criteria issued by the Board vide B.P.No.26 dt:30.07.2018. Further, it is submitted that the consent to operate will be considered to the unit, only after installation of necessary Air Pollution control measures and after complying all conditions mentioned in the Consent to Establish of the Board under Water and Air Act."

2.It stated that subsequently on 20.09.2021, order to operate had also been issued. Recording the same this contempt petition is closed.

(C.V.K.,J.) (R.S.V.,J.)
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