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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Date : 20/01/2026

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The Hon`ble Mr.Justice KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

WP(MD). No.27113 of 2023
and WMP(MD) No.23274 of 2023

Tamilarasan ... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Assistant Director,
Fisheries and Fisherman Welfare Department,
Vaigai Dam, Theni.

2. The Executive Engineer,
Public Works Department and Water Resources Department,
Periyar-Vaigai Division, Madurai.

3. The Superintendent of Police,
Theni District.

4. The Deputy Superintendent Of Police,
Aandipatty, Theni District.

5. The Inspector of Police,
Vaigai Dam Police Station,Theni.

6. The President,,
Fmd-I, Vaigaidam Fisherman Co-Operative Society,
Vaigaidam, Aandipatty, Theni. ... Respondents
(R6 is Suo Motu Impleaded Vide Court Order
Dated.01.12.2023)

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PRAYER :- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the Respondents 1 to 5 herein to take appropriate action to stop illegal fishing and illegal poaching into Vaigai Dam reservoir and also provide necessary protection against theft of fishes from the Vaigai reservoir considering the representation dated 17.05.2023, 14.08.2023 and 20.10.2023.

For Petitioners : Mr.A.Mithunchakravarthi
For Respondents : Mrs.S.Jeyapriya for R1 and R2 Government Advocate
Mr.A.Albert James for R3 to R5 Government Advocate (Crl. Side)
No appearance for R6

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for a mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 5 herein to take appropriate action to stop illegal fishing and illegal poaching into Vaigai Dam reservoir and also provide necessary protection against theft of fishes from the Vaigai reservoir considering the representations dated 17.05.2023, 14.08.2023 and 20.10.2023.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocates for the respondents 1 to 5.

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3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner made a representation to the respondents 1 to 5 on various occasions for stopping illegal fishing in the Vaigai Reservoir. However, since the said representation has not been considered so far, the petitioner is before this Court.

4. The learned Government Advocate for the respondents would submit that on considering the representation of the petitioner, necessary orders would be passed.

5. Considering the said submission made, the writ petition is disposed of by directing the respondents 1 to 3 to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 20.10.2023 and pass orders on merits and in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs. Consequently connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

20.01.2026

NCC : Yes/No
Index : Yes/No

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