

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED 10.07.2015

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE T.S.SIVAGNANAM

Contempt Petition No.824/2015 & Sub.Apln.No.171/2015

1.K.Madhavan
2.Sariga
3.K.M.Hari
4.K.Mukundan
5.Narayanan
6.Vikraman

.. Petitioners

Versus

1. Dr.Girija Vaidyanathan
Principal Secretary & Commissioner
of Land Administration, Chepauk,
Chennai 600 005.
2. Shri K.V.Veeraraghava Rao
District Collector, Thiruvallur District
Thiruvallur.
3. Shri M.Narayanan
Revenue Divisional Officer
Ponneri Taluk, Thiruvallur District.
4. Shri C.Ravichandran
President of Siru Vivasayigal Podunala
Sangam, 12, Pondhavakkam Village
Pallavada Post, Gummidipoondi Taluk
Tiruvallur District 601 202.

.. Respondents

Contempt petition filed under section 11 of the
Contempt of Courts Act to punish the respondents 1 to 4
herein for their wilful disobedience of the order of this
Court dated 11.02.2015 made in MP.No.1/2011 in
WP.No.7900/2011.

For Petitioners: Mr.D.Rajagopal
For RR 1 to 3 : Mr.R.Vijayakumar, AGP
For R4 : Mr.G.Justin

ORDER

The above contempt petition has been filed by the petitioners for willful disobedience of the order and direction passed by this Court in MP.NO.1/2011 in in WP.No.7900/2011 dated 11.02.2015 by the respondents herein.

2.After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and perusing the materials placed on record, it is shown that the petitioners themselves have cut down the trees. In my view, after having obtained an order of Status Quo, the petitioners ought to have maintained status quo which was prevailing on the date of the order, i.e., 11.02.2015 and there is absolutely no justification on the part of the petitioners to effect any felling of trees. Therefore, if at all the persons to be punished is the petitioners themselves. No ground has been made out for initiating contempt against the respondents.

3. Accordingly the contempt petition is dismissed. Consequently, the sub-application petition is also dismissed.

AP

SD/-
DEPUTY REGISTRAR (CLAA)

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Dated at Madras this the day of 2015.

COURT OFFICER (O.S.)

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To

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