

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 01.08.2016

CORAM :

The Hon'ble MR.SANJAY KISHAN KAUL, CHIEF JUSTICE
AND

The Hon'ble MR.JUSTICE R.MAHADEVAN

W.P. No.3017 of 2014

and

M.P.No.1 of 2014

P.Muruganandham

... Petitioner

-Vs-

1. The State, rep. by
The Chief Secretary,
Fort St. George, Chennai-600 009.
2. The Principal Secretary,
The Department of Finance,
Fort St. George, Chennai-600 009.
3. The Vigilance Commissioner,
Fort St. George,
Chennai-600 009.
4. The Secretary,
Department of Municipal Administration,
Fort St. George,
Chennai-600 009.
5. Commissioner Municipal Administration,
Elizhagam, Chepuak,
Chennai-600 005.
6. The Director,
The Directorate of Vigilance and Anti Corruption,
No.28, Greenways Road,
Raja Annamalaipuram,
Chennai-600 028.
7. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Department of Vigilance and Anti Corruption,
No.1/2, Kamatchi Amman Koil Street,
Karungal Palayam, Erode-3.

8. The Erode Municipal Corporation,
rep. by its Commissioner,
Corporation of Erode Building,
Erode.
9. Vijayalakshmi
Commissioner of Corporation,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 10.Balachandran
Commissioner of Corporation (Just Retired)
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 11.Vadivel
Town Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 12.Gnanamani,
Engineer (Just Retired),
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 13.Murugesan,
Executive Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 14.Paramasivam,
Assistant Executive Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 15.Ravi,
Assistant Executive Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 16.Suresh Kumar,
Assistant Executive Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.
- 17.Ravichandran,
Assistant Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.

18.Natesan,
Assistant Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.

19.Rajendran,
Assistant Engineer,
C/o.Erode Municipal Corporation,
Erode.

... Respondents

(Respondent Nos.8 to 19 impleaded as
per the order in M.P.No.2/2014, dt. 01.8.2016)

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issue of Writ of Mandamus directing the respondent authorities to conduct enquiry about the contract works relating to Under Ground Sewerage System (UGSS) of Erode Municipal Corporation, the alleged corrupt activities of The Commissioner and the Superintending Engineer of the Erode Municipal Corporation and their subordinate Engineers and officials; to revamp or create a new set-up of honest officials and engineers enabling the effective completion of the UGSS in Erode Municipal Corporation with minimum project cost and within the plan period of the end of 2015.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Sundaravadam

For Respondents : Mr.T.N.Rajagopalan
Special Government Pleader
for R1 to R8

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(Order of the Court was made by The Hon'ble Chief Justice)

The petitioner seeks an enquiry into the contract works relating to the Under Ground Sewerage System of Erode Municipal Corporation. The petitioner does not claim any personal knowledge nor has he made any investigation, but the petition is entirely based on a newspaper report.

2. We have opined on a number of occasions that such kind of petitions styled as public interest litigations based on newspaper reports alone are not liable to be entertained.

3. The writ petition is dismissed. No costs. Consequently, M.P.No.1 of 2014 is also dismissed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar(CCC)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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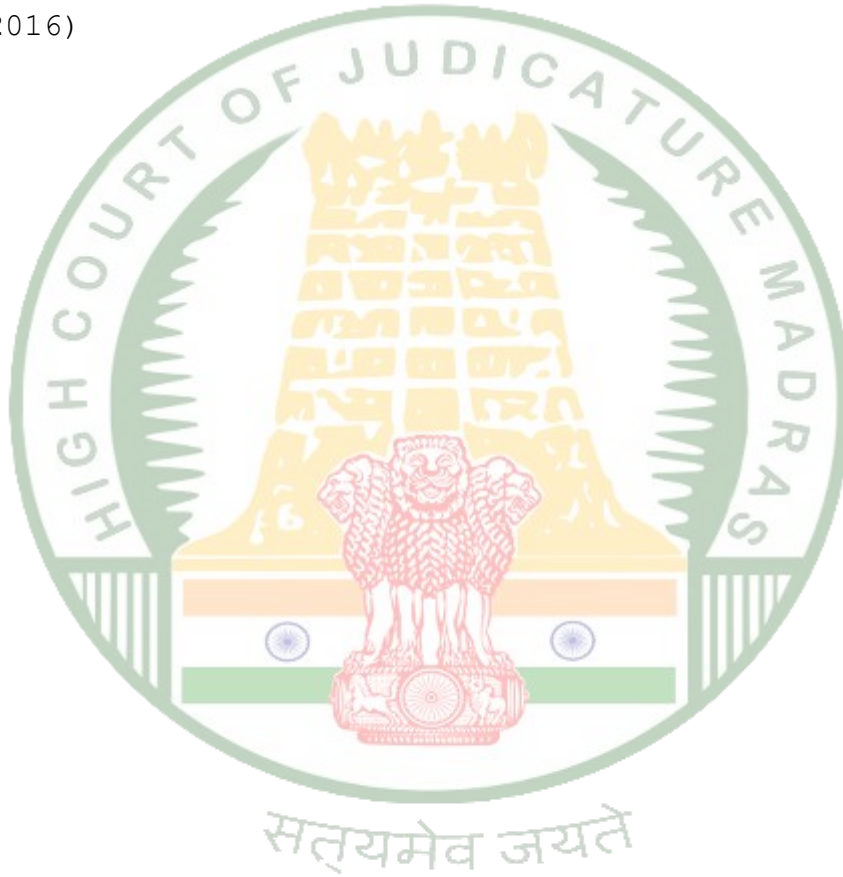
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Erode Municipal Corporation,
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Erode.

+1cc to the Government Pleader, S.R.No.43791

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