

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated: 04.08.2016

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The Honourable Mr.SANJAY KISHAN KAUL, CHIEF JUSTICE
and
The Honourable Mr.Justice R.MAHADEVAN

W.P.No.25692 of 2011

Social Research and Legal
Advocacy Society represented
by its Secretary, A.Chandramohan
41-1/13, Kallanguthu Street,
Salem 636001. ... Petitioner

Versus

1. The Secretary to Government,
Industrial Department,
Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.

2.The District Collector,
Salem District,
Salem.

3.Ministry of Environment and Forests,
Government of India,
Regional Office (Southern Zone)
Kendriya Sadan 4th Floor E & F Wings,
17th Main Road, 2nd Block,
Koramangala, Bangalore 560034.

4.The Management of Madras
Aluminium Co. Ltd.,
P.O.Box No.4, Mettur Dam,
Salem District 636 402. ... Respondents

Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for the issue of a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1st respondent to probe all aspects of illegal mining of Bauxite Ore by the 4th respondent over an extent of 471.57 acres in Puliur, Semmanduvu and Manjakuttai villages of Yercaud Taluk, in Shevaroy hill range of Yercaud, by a team of expert committee comprising of Geologists, Botanists, Environmentalists, prominent Social activist etc., and to file its report within a time-frame in order to protect the nature and beauty of Shevaroy hill range of Yercaud.

For Petitioner ::: Mr.G.Purushothaman

For Respondents ::: Mr.T.N.Rajagoplan
Special Government Pleader
for R.1 and R.2
Mr.Rahul Balaji for R.4
No appearance for R.3

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

Learned counsel for the 4th respondent states that there has been closure of the Mining from 2008 and there can be no question of illegal mining of Bauxite Ore as alleged by the petitioner.

2. In view of the allegation to the contrary in the petition, the second respondent/District Collector to cause an inspection to be made to confirm that there is no illegal Mining going on. This exercise be undertaken within one month from the date of receipt of the order.

3. The writ petition is thus closed in the aforesaid terms. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

Sd/-
Asst.Registrar

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Sub Asst. Registrar

To

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