

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11.08.2016

CORAM :

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

AND

The Hon'ble MR.JUSTICE R.MAHADEVAN

W.P. No.25053 of 2016

V.Manickam

.. Petitioner

-VS-

1.Union of India

rep. By the Director,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi 110 001.

2.State of Tamil Nadu,

rep. By the Secretary,
Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Dept.,
Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.

3.The Director of Tribal Welfare,
Chennai 600 005.

.. Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issue of Writ of Mandamus to direct respondent no.2 to obtain the additional information / justification for inclusion of Kuruma, Kuruman, Kurumba, Kurumba Gounder, Kurumban and Kurumbar communities as synonyms of "Kurumans" Scheduled Tribe in the List of Scheduled Tribes of Tamil Nadu from respondent no.3 and send the same to respondent no.1 within a reasonable time as may be fixed by the Court.

For Petitioner

: Mr.M.Radhakrishnan

For Respondents : Mr.K.Gunasekaran
SPCCG for R-1
: Mr.M.K.Subramanian
Govt. Pleader for RR 2 and 3

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ORDER

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

The limited prayer made in this petition is with reference to the letter dated 30.10.2015 of respondent no.2 to the Director, Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, with a copy marked to the counsel for the petitioner. The petitioner contends that as per para 4, the State Government has been requested to send the additional information / justification on the observations of the Registrar General of India for inclusion of Kuruma, Kuruman, Kurumba, Kurumba Gounder, Kurumban and Kurumbar communities as synonym of "Kurumans" Scheduled Tribes. Para 5 of the letter states that on receipt of the additional information / justification from the Director of Tribal Welfare, the same will be forwarded to Government of India. The plea, thus, is that this additional information should be sent at the earliest.

2.We are conscious of the fact that the issue earlier has not received favourable consideration, but that is not the aspect before us. Mr.B.C.Archana Kalyani, Director, Tribal Welfare, the concerned officer, is present in Court and states that additional information, if any as aforesaid, will be sent within a period of two (2) months from today.

3.The aforesaid statement is taken on record and the writ petition stands disposed of. No costs.

(S.K.K., C.J.) (R.M.D., J.)
11.08.2016

Index : Yes/No
Website : Yes/No

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To

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