

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 19.07.2016

CORAM :

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

AND

The Hon'ble MR.JUSTICE R.MAHADEVAN

W.P. No.18555 of 2012

and

M.P.Nos.1 of 2012 & 1 of 2014

J.Mohan Raj

... Petitioner

-vs-

1.State of Tamilnadu,
rep. by Chief Secretary,
Fort St. George,
Chennai-600 009.

2.Department of Geology and Mining,
Thiru.Vi.Ka. Industrial Estate,
Guindy, Chennai-600 032.

3.Collector of Tirunelveli,
Tirunelveli.

4.Director General of Police,
Kamarajar Salai,
Chennai-600 004.

5.The Secretary,
Public Works Department (PWD),
Chennai.

.. Respondents

(Respondent No.5 suo-motu impleaded as per
the order dt. 30.10.2012)

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issue of Writ of Mandamus directing the C.B.C.I.D. to investigate the illegal quarrying of sand in the rivers of Tamilnadu and to submit a report before this Court and also direct the first respondent to pay a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only) to the families of the persons who died in the river drowning due to illegal quarrying in the State of Tamilnadu.

For Petitioner : No Appearance
For Respondents : Mr.STS.Murthi
Government Pleader
assisted by
Mr.V.R.Kamalanathan
Addl. G.P. For R1 to R5

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

The petitioner has not appeared.

2. The report of the District Collector, Tirunelveli dated 13.12.2013 has been perused. It is stated that criminal cases were filed. In so far as the compensation is concerned, it is stated that in two cases, compensation has been granted. But in the remaining cases neither the deceased has been identified by anybody nor any claim for compensation has been received from any family members. It is further alleged that deaths occurred due to fault of the deceased for lack of swimming capability. Steps are stated to have been taken to prevent the illegal mining in the river bed and at present, no sand quarrying is going on in the river bed in Tirunelveli District.

3. The writ petition is accordingly closed. No costs. Consequently, M.P.Nos.1 of 2012 and 1 of 2014 are also closed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar(CCC)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

1.The Chief Secretary,
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Chennai-600 009.

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Thiru.Vi.Ka. Industrial Estate,
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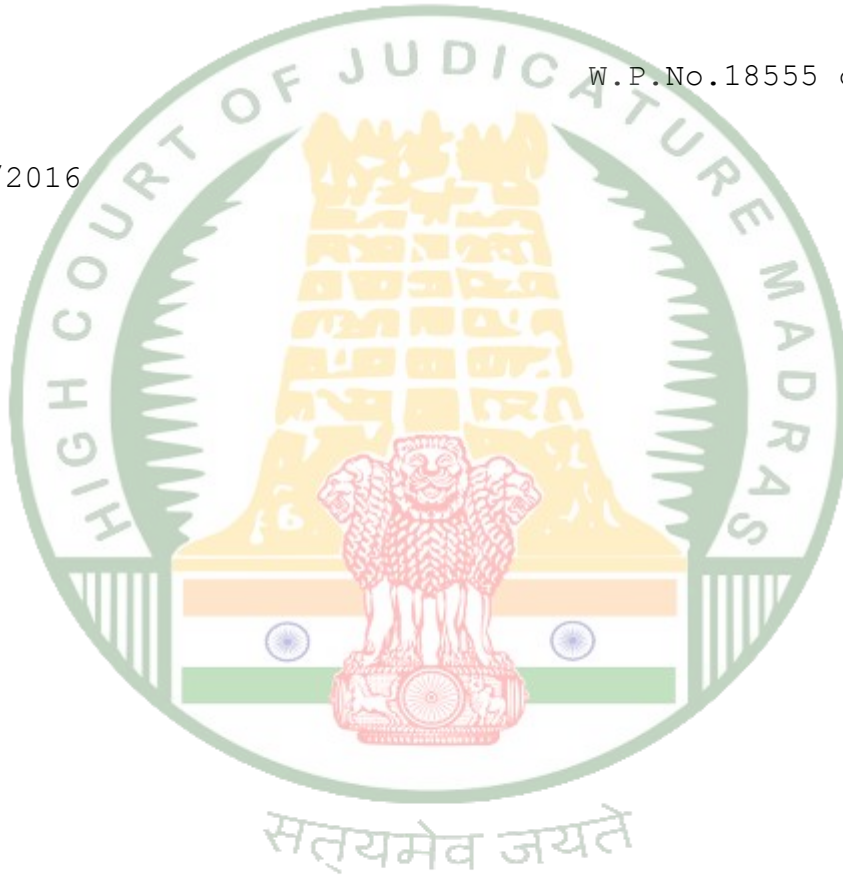
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