



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
DATED: 30.11.2016

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CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K. KALYANASUNDARAM

Crl.O.P.(MD).No. 6971 of 2014

C.Sivakumar

.. Petitioner/
Accused No.3

Vs.

State through

1. The Inspector of Police,
Economic offence Wing-II,
Karur.

(Crime No. 4 of 2008)

.. Respondent/
Complainant

2. Sethuraman

.. Respondent/
Defacto complainant

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. praying to call for the records in C.C.No.14 of 2010, on the file of the Learned Special Judge under TNPID Act cases, Madurai and quash the same.

For Petitioner : Mr. R.Mathiyalagan

For R1 : Mr.K. Anbarasan
Government Advocate
(Criminal side)

ORDER

This petition has been filed to quash the case in C.C.No.14 of 2010, on the file of the learned Special Judge under TNPID Act cases, Madurai.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the State and perused the records.

3. It is mainly contended by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the respondent police has no power to investigate the case registered under the provisions of TNPID Act and it has to be done only by the Revenue Divisional Officer/Competent Authority as per Section 2(1) of TNPID Act.



4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) on instructions, would submit that the Hon'ble Supreme Court had already considered and rejected the grounds raised in the quash petition.

5. Perusal of the records would reveal that there are *prima facie* materials available against the petitioner. Hence, this Court is not inclined to quash the proceedings in C.C.No.14 of 2010, on the file of the Special Court under TNPID Act cases, Madurai.

6. In the result, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed. However, the petitioner is directed to appear before the Trial Court as and when his presence is required and further he shall not dispute the identity of the witnesses. Further, the learned Special Judge under TNPID Act, Madurai, is directed to dispose of the case in C.C.No.14 of 2010, as expeditiously as possible, preferably, within a period of six months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS II)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1. The Special Court for TNPID Act Cases,
Madurai.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Economic Offences Wing-II,
Karur.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

+1cc to R.Mathiyalagan, Advocate, SR.74870.

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