

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 11.08.2017

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The HON'BLE MS.INDIRA BANERJEE, CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
The HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE M.SUNDAR

W.P.No.21173 of 2017
and WMP.No.22071 of 2017

S.Senthilkumar

.. Petitioner

vs.

1. The Chief Engineer (General),
Water Resources Organisation
and Public Works Department,
Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.
2. The District Collector,
Villupuram District,
Villupuram.
3. The Assistant Engineer,
Public Works Department
and Water Resources Organisation,
Lower Pennaiyar Basin Division,
Villupuram District - 604 202.

4. K.Paneer

.. Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing respondents 2 and 3 to conduct the tender in the Seyyathuvannan village lake karuvel Trees, Vikiravandi Taluk, Villupuram District and Pannakuppam Village lake Karuvel Trees, Kandamangalam Taluk, Villupuram District and also direct the respondents 1 to 3 to take action against the 4th respondent from cutting of karuvel trees at Seyyathuvannan Village, Vikiravandi Taluk, Villupuram District and Pannakuppam Village, Kandamangalam Taluk, Villupuram District.

For Petitioner

: Ms.Hemalatha

For Respondents

: Ms.Vasudha Thiagarajan
Addl. Government Pleader
for respondents 1 to 3

ORDER

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

It appears that the petitioner is aggrieved by his inability to compete for removal of Karuvelam trees. It cannot be said that the writ petition is in public interest. The writ petitioner has a private interest.

2. In this context, it would perhaps not be out of context to record that there are several proceedings in public interest pending in this Court relating to removal of Karuvelam trees and there were also orders of this Court (Madurai Bench of Madras High Court) directing removal of Karuvelam trees within the time stipulated by the Court. Some orders directing removal are still subsisting. It would not be appropriate for this Court to pass any order that might stall or even delay the removal.

3. The writ petition is, thus, dismissed. No costs. Consequently, W.M.P.No.22071 of 2017 is closed.

s/d-
Assistant Registrar(CO)

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