

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 15.11.2017

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

Crl.O.P.No.24250 of 2017

P.Mylsamy

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Superintendent of Police,
Coimbatore District Crime Branch,
(Land Grabbing Cell),
Coimbatore - 641 018.

2. The Inspector of Police L&O,
Kinathukadavu Police Station,
Kinathukadavu Taluk,
Coimbatore District.

3. K.Ponnusamy

4. K.Rakkiappan

5. P.Murukanandam

... Respondents

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. praying to direct the first and second respondents to register the complaints dated 08.08.2017 in C.No.156 of 2017, 19.08.2017 in C.No.160 of 2017 and 17.08.2017 in C.S.R.No.85 of 2017 respectively against the respondents 4 to 6 in respect of the land in S.F.No.46/A1 and 46/B1, B2 & B4 Pottaiandipurambu Village, Kinathukadavu Taluk, Coimbatore and prosecute them in the Court of law.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Kannan

For Respondents

For R1 & 2 : Mr.C.Iyyapparaj
Additional Public Prosecutor.

ORDER

This petition is filed seeking a direction to the first and second respondents to register the complaints dated 08.08.2017 in C.No.156 of 2017, 19.08.2017 in C.No.160 of 2017 and 17.08.2017 in C.S.R.No.85 of 2017.

2.By consent of both sides, this Criminal Original Petition is taken up for final disposal.

3.The grievance of the petitioner is that inspite of the complaints given by him on 08.08.2017, 19.08.2017 and 17.08.2017 to the first and second respondents, the same has been kept in abeyance without any action. It is well settled in the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Lalita Kumari Vs. Government of Uttar Pradesh and others [2013 (6) CTC 353], that registration of an FIR is mandatory under Section 154 of the Code of Criminal Procedure if an information furnished to the police officer disclose commission of a cognizable offence and in cases where the information does not disclose a cognizable offence, a preliminary enquiry has to be conducted.

4. The second respondent is not justified in having received the complaint and keeping it unattended without any further action. In view of the same, the petitioner has made out a case for this Court to invoke its inherent powers under Section 482 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

5. In the result, the petitioner is directed to give the copies of the complaints dated 08.08.2017, 19.08.2017 and 17.08.2017 to the Station House Officer having territorial jurisdiction over the issue. On receipt of the said copy of the complaint, the concerned Station House Officer shall adhere to the following directions.

1)If the information received by the second respondent discloses commission of a cognizable offence, then, the same shall be forthwith registered.

2)If an information received does not disclose a cognizable offence, the second respondent shall conduct a preliminary inquiry to ascertain whether cognizable offence is disclosed therein or not and such inquiry shall be completed within a period of fifteen days from the date of information.

3) If the inquiry discloses the commission of a cognizable offence, the FIR must be registered, if not already registered or closed.

4) If the preliminary inquiry ends in closing the complaint, the disclosure report must be recorded along with the reasonings and a copy of the same shall be furnished to the complainant within one week.

5)All information relating to cognizable offences whether resulting in registration of FIR or leading an inquiry must be reflected in the general diary/station diary/daily diary of the second respondent's police station.

6. In the result, the Criminal Original Petition is allowed with the above directions.

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Sd/-
Asst.Registrar

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Sub Asst. Registrar

To

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3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

+1cc M/S R.Kannan, Advocate Sr.81353

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