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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated : 20.07.2017

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.SASIDHARAN

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P (MD) No.11964 of 2017

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Commissioner,
Geology & Mining,
Guindy, Chennai.

2.The District Collector,
Kanyakumari District,
Nagercoil.

3.The Assistant Director,
Geology and Mining,
Kanyakumari District,
Nagercoil.

... Respondents

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the second and third respondents to bring all the quarry lease sites and the exit points of such quarry sites of Kanyakumari District under the CCTV coverage with centralised monitoring at the second respondent office at the cost of the quarry lease holders.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.P.Hariprasad

For Respondents : Mr.M.Govindan, Spl. Govt. Pleader

O R D E R

(Order of the Court was made by G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.)

This writ petition has been filed for directing the respondents to bring all the quarry lease sites and the exit points of such quarry sites in Kanyakumari District under CCTV Coverage.

2.In this regard, the petitioner has already submitted a representation on 20.05.2017. The grievance of the petitioner is that on account of lack of round the clock monitoring, there is unlawful removal of the quarried minerals. This leads to large scale cheating and consequential loss of revenue of the State. If ~~CCTV cameras~~ ^{services} are installed and there is total monitoring, it would not be possible to indulge in illegal transporting of minerals.



3. We find some force in the said submission. But it is not for us to issue the direction now sought for straight away. It is for the authorities to look into the matter. We therefore direct the second respondent to consider the representation dated 20 May 2017 submitted by the petitioner. The second respondent shall pass orders within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. The writ petition is disposed of with the above direction. No costs.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar (CS-III)

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Sub Assistant Registrar (C.S.)

To

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