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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 21.08.2017

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.SASIDHARAN

and

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.19777 of 2016

and

W.M.P.(MD)No.14362 of 2016

The Registrar (Judicial)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court
Madurai.

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
Madurai.

2.The Commissioner,
Madurai Corporation,
Madurai.

3.The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department,
Madurai.

4.The Commissioner of Police,
Madurai City,
Madurai.

5.The Divisional Engineer,
Highways Department,
Madurai.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to herein to take effective and emergent steps to remove the encroachments in the places especially in Nethaji Road, Vaniyan Lane, Bethaniyapuram, Pasumalai, Ellis Nagar, Subramaniyapuram Market, Periyar Bus Stand, Mattuthavani Bus Stand, Bye Pass Road-Nehru Nagar Junction and such other places wherever such obstructions are found in the city limit of Madurai, to make sure that the general public are not facing any obstruction in using such public places.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Aravindan

For Respondents 1,3 to 5 : Mr.M.Govindan

Special Government Pleader

For 2nd Respondent : Mr.R.Murali



O R D E R

[Order of the Court was made by **G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.**]

When it was reported in the newspapers that on account of the obstructions made by the encroachers in public places, the general public are put to inconvenience, the same was taken up as Suo-motu Public Interest Litigation.

2. Notice was issued to the Madurai Corporation. The matter was heard from time to time. Status reports were filed.

3. The learned standing counsel appearing for the Madurai Corporation submitted that encroachments are being removed on a regular basis. We place on record the reports submitted by the Commissioner for Madurai Corporation. In the report dated 21.08.2017, the Commissioner Corporation of Madurai has undertaken that the work of removal of encroachments would be continued and periodical special drives would also be undertaken. That apart, if specific complaints are received by the Corporation, immediate steps would be taken to remove the unauthorised roadside encroachments.

4. Placing this submission on record, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently connected miscellaneous petition is also closed.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CO)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

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