

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 19.03.2018

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

Crl.O.P.No.6564 of 2018

M/s. Reliance JioInfocomm Limited,
having its Circle office at A1 Tower, 8th Floor,
89-90, Dr.RadhakrishnanSalai,
Mylapore. Chennai - 600 004,
Represented by its Legal Manager,
Mr.D.Kalaimani ... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Commissioner of Police,
Greater Chennai, Vepery,
Chennai.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
K2 Ayanpuram Police Station,
Chennai - 23. .. Respondents

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482
Cr.P.C. praying to direct the respondents herein to provide
police protection to the petitioner's company to erect
transmission tower at No.21, A Plot No.184, Aringer Anna
Street, Thiruvalluvar Nagar, Ayanpuram, Chennai - 23.

For Petitioner : Mr.L.Srileka

For Respondents : Mrs.P.Kritika Kamal,
Government Advocate (Crl. side)

ORDER

This petition has been filed by the petitioner for a direction to the respondents to provide police protection to his company to erect transmission tower at No.21, A Plot No.184, Aringer Anna Street, Thiruvalluvar Nagar, Ayanpuram, Chennai - 23.

2. In an identical case, this Court had, by an order dated 16.11.2016 in CrI.O.P.(MD).No.12751 of 2016 and CrI.O.P.No.5924 of 2017 dated 27.03.2017 passed the following order.

"3.Learned counsel for the petitioner relied on the decision of a Division Bench of this Court in W.P.Nos.24976 of 2008 ect. Batch cases and the decision of a learned Single Judge of this Court in CrI.OP(MD) Nos.12596 to 12599 of 2014 and 12601 to 12619 of 2014 would submit that without any basis their activities cannot be stopped.

4.Learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) on instructions submitted that the petition is pending.

5.The law regarding establishment of cell phone towers has already been dealt with in the judgments referred supra. In the absence of any illegality or unlawful activities, no one can interfere with the lawful activities of a person concerned. If there is any objection for construction and erection of cellphone towers, the objectors will have to workout their remedy in the manner known to law instead of preventing the persons concerned from putting up construction, which they are legally entitled to do so.

6.Accordingly, the criminal original petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to give adequate police protection, if there are no legal impediments."

The facts and the findings in the aforesaid case are applicable to the present case in hand.

3. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed, with a direction to the respondents to give adequate police protection to the petitioner for erection of cell phone tower at No.21, A Plot No.184, Aringer Anna Street, Thiruvalluvar Nagar, Ayanpuram, Chennai - 23.

Sd/
Assistant Registrar

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

1.The Commissioner of Police,
Greater Chennai, Vepery,
Chennai.

2.The Inspector of Police,
K2 Ayanpuram Police Station,
Chennai - 23.

3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras

+1cc to Mr.C.Srileka Advocate SR.No.20628

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