

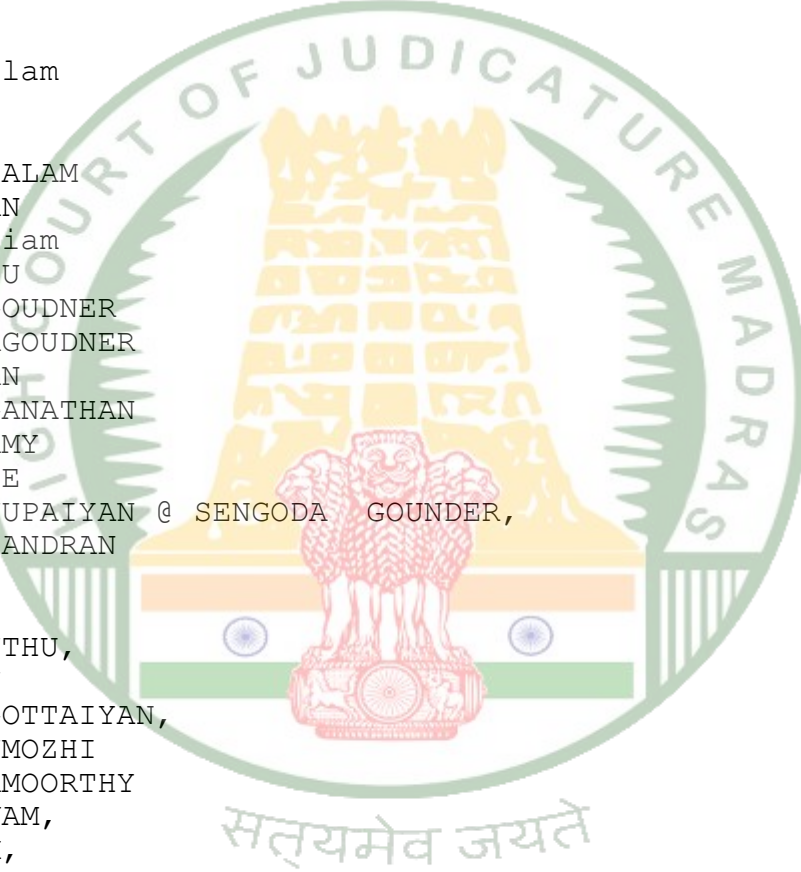
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 08.02.2018

CORAM: THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE N.SESHASAYEE

W.P.No.2151 of 2018
and WMP.No.2676 of 2018

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- 3.Ramaswamy
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- 5.Venkatachalam
6. RASAPPAN
7. PALANIVEL
8. VENKATACHALAM
9. ELANGOVAN
10. Subramaniam
11. KALIMUTHU
12. SENGODAGAUDNER
13. NALLAIYAGAUDNER
14. JAYARAMAN
15. SRI RANGANATHAN
16. PERIYASAMY
17. PERUMAYEE
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- 19 MR.RAVICHANDRAN
- 20 MR.SEKAR
- 21 MR.KUMAR
- 22 MR.MANIMUTHU,
- 23 MR.K.RAJU
- 24 MR.A.SENGOTTAIYAN,
- 25 MR.S.THENMOZHI
- 26 MR.S.RAMAMOORTHY
- 27 MR.R.SELVAM,
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- 30 M. SARAVANAN
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- 32 T. CHANDIRA
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- 34 KAVITHA
- 35 JANAKI
- 36 D. AROKIAMME (VICE PRESIDENT) PRESIDENT SOCIETY
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DAKSHINAMOORTHY TEMPLE SEELANAICKENPATTY POST, SALEM 636 201

43 K. RAJU (HUF)

-Vs-

1.The District Collector and Sole Arbitrator
Salem Collectorate,
Salem - 636 001.

2.The Special DRO (Land Acquisition)
National Highways No.68
Ram Nagar, Swarnapuri II Gate
Five Roads
Salem - 636 004.

3 SPECIAL DISTRICT REVENUE OFFICE (LA),
NH.7, 46 & 47, SALEM-
KRISHNAGIRI DISTRICTS, KRISHNAGIRI. ... Respondents

Prayer :- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the
Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus,
directing the respondents herein to conduct the arbitration
proceedings in respect of the acquisition of the petitioners'
lands in National Highways 7 & 68 as per the representation made
by the writ petitioners dated 23.07.2017, 26.07.2017,
18.09.2017, 19.09.2017 and 20.09.2017.

For Petitioners : Mr.P.B.Sampath Kumar
For Respondents : Mr.Akhil Akbar Ali
Government Advocate

ORDER

The only grievance of the petitioners in this case is that they
were dissatisfied with the quantum of compensation awarded to
them by the Competent Authority under the provisions of the
National Highways Act, 1956, that they have moved the Statutory
Arbitrator separately under Section 3(G)(5) of the Act.
However, the District Collector/Statutory Arbitrator has not
concluded the arbitral proceedings pertaining to these 43
petitioners. The petitioners submitted that on an earlier
occasion in a similar batch of cases, another set of owners of
land who had moved the arbitration have approached this Court

and have obtained necessary directions from this Court, based on which, the statutory arbitrator had passed his award. The petitioners seek that their case also may be decided as expeditiously as possible.

2. Mr.Akhil Akbar Ali, learned Government Advocate enters appearance for the respondents.

3. Heard both sides. The limited prayer of the petitioners is that their arbitration proceedings initiated separately, are pending with the first respondent since 2010 may be disposed of at the very earliest. This Court, therefore directs the first respondent to dispose of the arbitration proceedings pertaining to all the 43 petitioners herein, within three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order after affording effective and meaningful hearing to the petitioners.

4. With the above direction, this petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar(CCC)

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To:

1.THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR AND SOLE ARBITRATOR
SALEM COLLECTORATE,
SALEM - 636 001.

2.THE SPECIAL DRO (LAND ACQUISITION)
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RAM NAGAR, SWARNAPURI II GATE
FIVE ROADS
SALEM - 636 004.

3 SPECIAL DISTRICT REVENUE OFFICE (LA),
NH.7, 46 & 47, SALEM-
KRISHNAGIRI DISTRICTS, KRISHNAGIRI.

+1cc to Mr.P.B.SAMPATHKUMAR Advocate, S.R.No. 9941

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