



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 07.02.2018

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P. (MD) No.2474 of 2018

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R.Ranjith Kumar

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State Rep. by

1.The Regional Transport Officer,
The Regional Transport Office,
Karur, Karur District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
K.Paramathi Police Station,
Karur District.

3.The Branch Manager,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation,
Coonoor Branch, Nilgiri District.

.. Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the first and second respondent to return the petitioner's driving licence by considering the petitioner's representation dated 06.12.2017, within the time frame fixed by this Court.

For petitioner : Mr.Selvanayagam
for M/s.K.Gandhi Kumar
For respondents : Mrs.S.Srimathy
Special Government Pleader

O R D E R

Mrs.S.Srimathy, learned Special Government Pleader, takes notice for the respondents. By consent of both parties, the main writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2. The petitioner is working as a driver in Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Limited, Coonoor Branch, Nilgiri District. On 20.11.2017, the bus which he was driving met with an accident. In this regard Crime No.322 of 2017 was registered against the writ petitioner by the Inspector of Police, K.Paramathi Police Station, Karur District. The petitioner's driving licence has also been impounded. The criminal case is yet to progress. The final report has not been filed in this regard. The writ petitioner's driving licence cannot be impounded by the respondents. Therefore, this Court directs the first respondent to return the petitioner's original driving licence forthwith.



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3. This Writ petition stands allowed accordingly.

No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (Writs)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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+1cc to M/S.K.Gandhi Kumar, Advocate SR.No. 46718

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