

HON'BLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE RAMESH RANGANATHAN

WRIT PETITION No.24121 of 2011

ORDER:

The relief sought for in this Writ Petition is for a mandamus to declare the action of the respondents in issuing instructions to recover the Seigniorage charges on sand with one time penalty from the bills and deposits of the petitioner, where permits, for sand issued by the respondents, are not produced, as illegal and arbitrary.

Learned Government Pleader for Mines and Geology would submit that the sand policy has now undergone a change, and the new sand policy has been notified in G.O.Ms. No.35 dated 14.03.2016 as amended by G.O.Ms. No.42 dated 29.03.2016. As the sand policy, which is impugned in the Writ Petition, is no longer in operation, it is evident that the cause in the Writ Petition does not survive necessitating any further adjudication by this Court, and the Writ Petition has become infructuous. The Writ Petition is, accordingly, dismissed. The miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed. No costs.

RAMESH RANGANATHAN, ACJ

Date: 20.04.2018
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