



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.09.2019

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M. GOVINDARAJ

WP(MD).No. 20852 of 2019

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J. Periasamy

: Petitioner

Vs.

The Commissioner of Police,
Tiruchirappalli City,
Trichy.

: Respondent

Prayer: This Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondent to accept the petitioner's application dated 22.08.2019 along with the Annexures and to grant temporary Cracker License to the petitioner to possess and sell from a shop at any one time not exceeding 100 Kilograms of manufactured Fireworks of Class - 7, Division -2, Sub Division -2 and 500 Kilograms of Chinese Crackers or Sparklers at his shop situated at No.342, Periyakadai Veethi, Trichy strictly in consonance with Rule - 113 of the Explosive Rules, 2008 without insisting the petitioner to submit the rental agreement and No Objection Certificate from the landlord.

For Petitioner

: Mr. N. Anandkumar

For Respondents

: Mr.J. Gunaseelan Muthaiah
Additional Government Pleader

O R D E R

This writ petition is filed seeking a direction to the respondent to grant temporary license to the petitioner to run a crackers shop.

2. The petitioner is a license holder for running crackers shop. He filed an application for renewal of his license to the respondent on 22.08.2019 and the same is pending. The respondent authority insisted the petitioner to produce no objection certificate from the landlord of the shop premises.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has filed a suit in O.S.No.716 of 2016, restraining the landlord from evicting him under due process of law. Pursuant to the same, the landlord filed RCOP No.121 of 2016 for eviction and



fixation of fair rent and the same is pending. In such circumstances, the petitioner has filed the present Writ Petition seeking a direction to the respondent to grant temporary license to the petitioner to run a crackers shop, based on his application dated 22.08.2019.

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4. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in **(2016)14 Supreme Court Cases 263, [Sudhakaran Vs. Corporation of Trivandrum and another]** has categorically held that the requirement of getting consent of the landlord for grant of licence is applicable when he first applies for the same. In Paragraph No.9 of the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court as observed as under:

"9. After due consideration of the issues involved, we find merit in the submission made on behalf of the appellant. The statutory provision already quoted above shows that the requirement of the consent of the landlord is applicable only when a person intends to obtain a licence for the first time. Renewal or subsequent application for obtaining licence on expiry of the period of the existing licence, during the currency of the tenancy, is not applicable for obtaining licence. Even in the case of application for obtaining licence for the first time, the tenant cannot be deprived of running lawful business merely because the landlord withheld the consent. Valid tenancy itself has implied authority of the landlord for legitimate use of the premises by the tenant. "

5. In view of the same, the respondent is directed to pass appropriate orders for renewal of license without insisting no objection certificate from the landlord. Till such time, Sub Rule 5 of Rule 112 of the Explosive Rules, 2008 will hold the field.

6. The writ petition is disposed of with the above direction. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CO)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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To

The Commissioner of Police,
Tiruchirappalli City,
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