



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 15.10.2020
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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **ABDUL QUDDHOSE**

W.P.(MD)No.14261 of 2020

Srinivasan : Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Ramanathapuram, Ramanathapuram District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Town Police Station,
Rameswram, Ramanathapuram District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
PEW-Ramanathapuram Police Station,
Ramanathapuram,
Ramanathapuram District.

: Respondents

PRAYER:- Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 3rd respondent to release the petitioner's Bike bearing Reg.No.TN-65-AE-6709 seized by the 3rd respondent on 08.12.2019.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gokul

For Respondents : Mr.Rajarajan
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed for a Mandamus seeking for a direction to direct the 3rd respondent to release the petitioner's Bike bearing Reg.No.TN-65-AE-6709 seized by the 3rd respondent on 08.12.2019.

2.Heard Mr.K.Gokul, learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner and Mr.Rajarajan, learned Additional Government Pleader, appearing for the respondents.

3.The learned Additional Government Pleader has produced a copy of the final order, dated 08.04.2020 passed under Section 14(4) of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act 1937. He would further submit that



since final orders have been passed, the only remedy now available to the petitioner is to challenge the said final order.

4.In this Writ Petition, the petitioner has sought for release of his Bike bearing Registration No.TN-65-AE-6709, which was seized by the 3rd respondent under the provisions of Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act 1937. Since final orders have already been passed under Section 14(4) of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act 1937, the Writ Petition has now become infructuous. A copy of the final order dated 08.04.2020 has been sent to the learned Counsel for the petitioner by the learned Additional Government Pleader.

5.After recording the submissions made by the learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents as well as after perusing the final order passed under Section 14(4) of Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act 1937, this Writ Petition is dismissed as infructuous. However, liberty is granted to the petitioner to challenge the final order, dated 08.04.2020 in accordance with law. However, there is no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS-I)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

To

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+1 CC to M/s.Special Govt.Pleader (SR-20471[F] dated 16/10/2020)

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