



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 30.11.2020
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THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE**

W.P. (MD) No.17109 of 2020

M.Ravichandran

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Assistant Director,
Geology and Mines, Dindigul District.
- 2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Palani, Dindigul.
- 3.The Tahsildar (Mines),
Vedasandur Taluk,
Dindigul District.
- 4.The Inspector of Police,
Vadamadurai Police Station,
Vadamadurai, Dindigul District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to release the Tractor bearing Registration No.TN-45-AZ-8323 from the respondent's custody.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Manikandan

For Respondent : Mr.A.Muthukaruppan,
Additional Government Pleader.

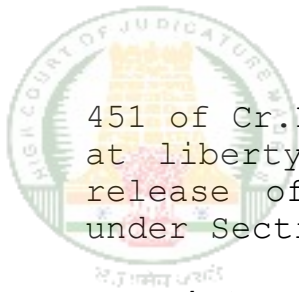
ORDER

(This petition was heard through video conferencing)

This writ petition has been filed for a Mandamus seeking for a direction to direct the respondents to release the petitioner's vehicle viz., Tractor bearing Registration No.TN-45-AZ-8323.

2.Mr.A.Muthukaruppan, learned Additional Government Pleader accepts notice on behalf of the respondents. On instructions, he would submit that the seized vehicle has already been produced before the jurisdictional criminal Court.

3.In view of the same, the present writ petition is not maintainable. The petitioner will have to necessarily approach the jurisdictional criminal Court by filing an application under Section



451 of Cr.P.C., for release of the vehicle. Hence, the petitioner is at liberty to approach the jurisdictional criminal Court to seek release of the seized vehicle by filing appropriate application under Section 451 of Cr.P.C.

4. On receipt of such application, the jurisdictional criminal Court shall pass final orders in the said application, within a period of four weeks, thereafter. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS III)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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To

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