

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED:23.06.2021

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.SANJIB BANERJEE, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SENTHILKUMAR RAMAMOORTHY

W.P.No.7059 of 2020

and

W.M.P.No.8417 of 2020

Ms.Mandalapu Sandhya

..Petitioner

Vs.

- 1 Government of India,
Represented by Secretary,
Foreigners Division, Citizenship Wing,
Ministry of Home Affairs, 2nd Floor,
Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium,
India Gate, New Delhi 110 001.
- 2 Government of India,
Represented by Secretary,
Bureau of Immigration,
Immigration Visa Foreigners Registration and
Tracking, Ministry of Home Affairs, 2nd Floor,
Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium,
India Gate, New Delhi 110 001.
- 3 The Chief Immigration Officer,
No.26, Shastri Bhavan Annexe, Haddows Road,
Nungambakkam Chennai 600 034.
- 4 Government of India,
Represented by Secretary,
Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.
- 5 Government of India,
Represented by Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office, 26, Shastri Bhavan,
Haddows Road, Chennai 600 006.
- 6 Government of India,
Represented by Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office, New Delhi.

7 The Collector of Chennai,
Rajaji Salai, Chennai 600 001.

8 Mr. S.Muralidharan ...Respondents

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 7 to take action in accordance with the law to deprive and revoke the 8th respondent of his Indian Citizenship.

For Petitioner : Mr.AR.L.Sundaresan
Senior Counsel,
for Ms.M.Vidya

For Respondents : Mr.Rajesh Vivekananthan
for RR 1 to 6

: Mr.P.Muthukumar
Counsel for Government for R-7

: Mr.SP.Chokalingam
for R-8

ORDER

(Made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

It is evident that the petitioner has some axe to grind against the eighth respondent who has been granted citizenship in this country.

2. The petitioner claims that the eighth respondent has been maligning the petitioner and others in the media. This is an argument of prejudice and completely irrelevant in the context of the propriety of the Union in according citizenship to the eighth respondent. There does not appear to be any element of public interest and the petition appears to have been instituted on the basis of the personal angst of the petitioner against the eighth respondent. However, to the extent that certain perceived irregularities in the matter of the grant of citizenship to the eighth respondent has been pointed out, it will be open to the Union to consider the matter afresh in

accordance with law upon affording due opportunity of hearing to the eighth respondent.

3. W.P.No.7059 of 2020 is disposed of with the above observation. There will be no order as to costs. Consequently, W.M.P.No.8417 of 2020 is closed.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To:

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+1cc to Mr.M/s.M.Vidhya, Advocate, S.R.No.29143

+1cc to Mr.R.Rajesh Vivekanandam, Advocate, S.R.No.28966

+1cc to the Government Pleader, S.R.No.29053

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