

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.04.2021

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE M.NIRMAL KUMAR

W.P.No.10136 of 2021

ATC Telecom Infrastructure Pvt Ltd.,
Represented by Authorised Signatory
N.Senathipathi
"Celestial Point", No.45,
Damodharan Street
T.Nagar, Chennai 600017.

.... Petitioner

Versus

1.The District Collector
Collectorate Office
Salem 636 001.

2.The Commissioner of Police
Salem Police Commissioner Office
Salem 636 006.

3.The State
Rep.by Inspector of Police (Law & Order)
Kannankurichi Police Station,
Salem 636 008.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 2 & 3 to forthwith provide effective police protection to the petitioner's company to fully complete the erection of transmission cell phone tower and to install all the telecommunication electrical and electronic equipments, cables at that open land ad measuring about 891 Sq.ft (27 X 33) out of total land measuring about more or less 5244 Sq.ft., Cents situated and/or comprised in Survey No.195/71/1, Kannankurichi Village, Salem Taluk, Salem West I Joint SRO and Registration District, on the basis of the complaint filed by the petitioner dated 18.01.2021, since the deemed permission to install the BTS transmission Tower was granted by the first respondent as per the G.O.(MS).No.1, Information Technology (B4) Department dated 21.02.2018, by implementing the Indian Telegraph Right of way Rules, 2016, notified by the Government of India, Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunication vide No.G.S.R.No.1070 (E) dated 15.11.2016.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Ravikumar
For Respondents: Mr.M.Mohamed Riyaz
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

The petitioner which is the company involved in erection of cellphone tower has come forward with this petition seeking police protection.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the respondents.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner relied on the decision of a Division Bench of this Court in W.P.Nos.24976 of 2008 etc. batch cases and the decision of a learned Single Judge of this Court in Crl.O.P.(MD).Nos.12596 to 12599 of 2014 and 12601 of 2014 would submit that without any basis their activities cannot be stopped.

4. The law regarding establishment of cellphone tower has already been dealt with in the judgments referred supra. In the absence of any illegality or unlawful activities, no one can interfere with the lawful activities of a person concerned. If there is any objection for construction and erection of cellphone tower, the objector will have to work out his remedy in the manner known to law instead of preventing the person concerned from putting up construction, which is legally entitled to do so.

5. For the reasons stated above, there shall be a direction to the third respondent police to provide police protection to the petitioner for erection of the cell phone tower. The third respondent police shall ensure that the entire process goes on in a smooth manner, without giving rise to any law and order problem and the petitioner shall pay a cost of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only) to the respondent police towards police protection.

6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to give adequate police protection, if there is no legal impediments.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CCC)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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Collectorate Office
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Salem Police Commissioner Office
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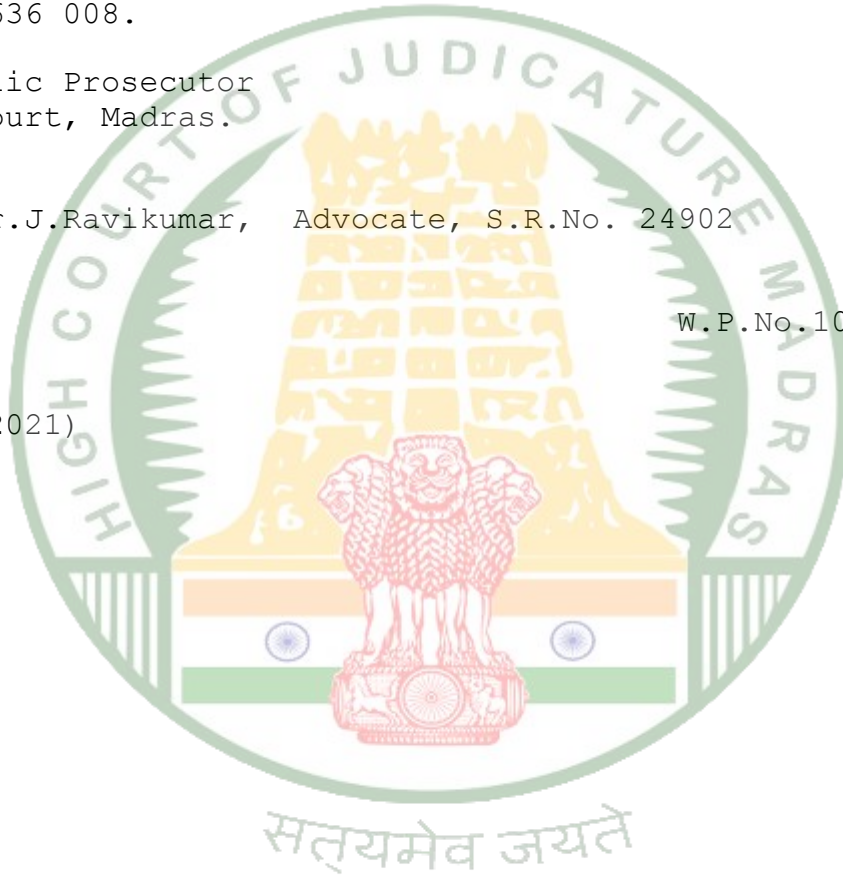
3.The Inspector of Police (Law & Order)
Kannankurichi Police Station,
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4.The Public Prosecutor
High Court, Madras.

+lcc to Mr.J.Ravikumar, Advocate, S.R.No. 24902

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