

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 07.04.2021

CORAM :

The Hon'ble Mr.SANJIB BANERJEE, THE CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

The Hon'ble Mr.JUSTICE SENTHILKUMAR RAMAMOORTHY

W.P.No.17929 of 2020

Thondan Subramani

.. Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The Secretary to Government,
Ministry of Health Department,
Secretariat, Fort St. George,
Chennai 600 009.
- 2.The Commissioner,
Corporation of Chennai,
Ripon Buildings, Chennai.
- 3.The Health Officer,
Corporation of Chennai,
Ripon Buildings, Chennai.
- 4.The Chair Person,
The Disaster Management Center of Tamilnadu,
Kamarajar Promenade,
PWD Estate, Ezhilagam,
Chennai 600 005.

.. Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issue of Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents to take appropriate action against the violators of the Pandemic Rules.

For Petitioner

: Mr.Thondan Subramani
Party-in-person

For Respondents

: Mr.V.Jayaprakash Narayanan
State Government Pleader
for R-1
: Mr.R.Gopinath
Stdg. Counsel for RR 2 & 3

ORDER
(Made by The Hon'ble Chief Justice)

The petitioner had not appeared on the two previous occasions when the matter appeared on January 6, 2021 and February, 3, 2021. The petitioner is represented, but is facing audio problems.

2. The petition seeks action against violators of the COVID protocol and is directed against several persons, including politicians. It also appears that a particular class of politicians appears to have been attacked in the writ petition.

3. The petition was filed in October, 2020. This was during the first wave of the pandemic. Things improved considerably over the next four months or so till they began deteriorating from the beginning or middle of March, 2021.

4. Since subsequent events have overtaken the petition, the second wave of the pandemic is raging all over the country and further lockdowns and clampdowns appear to be imminent, the petition filed in October, 2020 is of no relevance at the moment.

Accordingly, W.P.No.17929 of 2020 is disposed of. There will be no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS III)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

To

- 1.The Secretary to Government, Ministry of Health Department, Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai 600 009.
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+1cc to Mr.Gopinath, Advocate SR.NO..22115

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