



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 02.09.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE **T.KRISHNAVALLI**

Crl.R.C(MD)No.588 of 2021

Govinda Manimuthu

... Petitioner/ Petitioner
Owner of the vehicle

Vs.

- 1.The State through
The Inspector of Police,
Kamuthi Police Station.
(Crime No.111 of 2021)
- 2.The Tahsildar,
Taluk Office, Kamuthi.
- 3.The Revenue Divisional Officer, Paramakudi.
- 4.The Director,
Geology and Mining Department,
Collectorate Complex
Ramanathapuram.

...Respondents/Respondents
Complainants

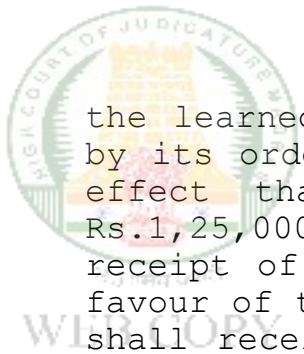
Prayer : This Criminal Revision has been filed under Section 397 r/w 401 of Criminal Procedure Code, to set aside the impugned 'Condition No.3' made in the order passed in Cr.M.P.No.1119 of 2021 on the file of the Principal Sessions Judge of Ramanathapuram, dated 05.08.2021 by allowing the Criminal Revision Petition.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.R.Laxman
For Respondents : Mr.RMS.Sethuraman
Counsel for State Government (Crl.side)

O R D E R

This petition has been filed to modify the condition No.3 imposed by the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Ramanathapuram in the order passed in Cr.M.P.No.1119 of 2021, dated 05.08.2021.

2.The petitioner claims to be the owner of the Lorry bearing Registration No.TN-30-U-5374. The respondent police intercepted the vehicle of the petitioner and seized the same on the ground that it was used for carrying illegal sand without any valid permit and registered a case in Crime No.111 of 2021 under Section 379 IPC and Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957. Subsequently, the petitioner has approached the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Ramanathapuram, by way of filing a petition in Cr.M.P.No.1119 of 2021 for release of the vehicle and



the learned judge has allowed the petition filed by the petitioner by its order dated 05.08.2021, by imposing the 3rd condition to the effect that the petitioner was directed to remit a sum of Rs.1,25,000/- as costs within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of the order by way of an individual deposit in favour of the District Legal Services Authority, Ramanathapuram, who shall receive the said amount as 'Environmental Fund' and make use of the said amount for the purposes mentioned in the order passed by the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court in **CRP (NPD) No.1643 of 2010, dated 20.06.2018 D.Govindasamy Vs. L.Ganesh Naidu (Deceased) and 2 others**. Further, the petitioner should produce the receipt for the remit of the same from the concerned Authority at the time of furnishing security before the trial Court. Challenging the conditions imposed by the trial Court, the petitioner is before this Court with this criminal revision.

3.Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

4.The only grievance of the petitioner is that the 3rd condition imposed by the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Ramanathapuram is onerous.

5.In view of that, this Criminal Revision Case is allowed. The order of the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Ramanathapuram, made in Cr.M.P.No.1119 of 2021, dated 05.08.2021 is modified in respect of the condition No.3 is alone and in the 3rd condition it is modified to the effect that the petitioner is directed to remit a sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) as costs within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order by way of an individual deposit in favour of the District Legal Services Authority, Ramanathapuram, who shall receive the said amount as 'Environmental Fund' and make use of the said amount for the purposes mentioned in the order passed by the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court in **CRP (NPD) No.1643 of 2010, dated 20.06.2018 D.Govindasamy Vs. L.Ganesh Naidu (Deceased) and 2 others**. Further the petitioner shall produce the receipt for the remit of the same from the concerned Authority at the time of furnishing security before the trial Court. In respect of other conditions, the order of the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Ramanathapuram, shall remain unaltered.

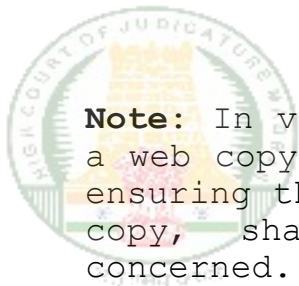
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6. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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