



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 01.04.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P. (MD)No.16860 of 2020

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... Petitioner

-Vs-

1.The Commissioner of Police,
Madurai City,
Madurai.

2.The Assistant Director of Geology and Mining,
Madurai,
Madurai District.

3.The Sub Inspector of Police,
Avaniyapuram Police Station,
Madurai City,
Madurai District.

4.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Madurai,
Madurai District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the third respondent to release the petitioner's car bearing Reg.No.TN-39-CY-6090 seized by the second respondent on 15.06.2020.

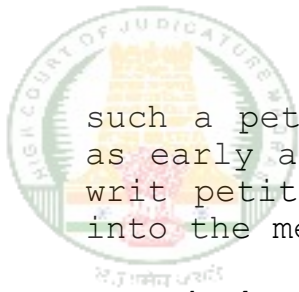
For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gokul
For Respondents : Mrs.M.Rajeswari
Government Advocate

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2.The petitioner's counsel states that she is the owner of the petition mentioned vehicle. The petitioner's husband had used the same and the vehicle was seized as it said to have carried narcotic substance. Seeking release of the vehicle, this writ petition has been filed.

3.The learned Government Advocate informs the Court that the vehicle has been produced before the jurisdictional Court. Therefore, it is for the petitioner to apply for interim custody of the vehicle by filing a petition under Section 451 of Cr.P.C. If



such a petition is filed, the Court below will dispose of the same as early as possible. Granting such liberty to the petitioner, the writ petition is dismissed. I make it clear that I have not gone into the merits of the matter.

4.The petitioner's counsel states that she will file such an application within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. In such an event, the Court below shall dispose it of within a period of two weeks thereafter. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (Records)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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