



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04.01.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P. (MD)No.19724 of 2020

Ranjith

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Assistant Director of Geology and Mining,
Virudhunagar District,
Virudhunagar.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Virudhunagar,
Virudhunagar District.

3.The Inspector of Police,
Amathur Police Station,
Virudhunagar District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 2nd respondent to release the petitioner's Tractor and Trailer bearing Registration No.TN-69-K-7584, seized by the 3rd respondent on 25.07.2019 to the petitioner.

For Petitioner : Mr.Lenin Kumar.T
For Respondents : Mrs.S.Srimathy,
Special Government Pleader.

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Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2.The petitioner seeks release of vehicle.

3.The learned Special Government Pleader points out that the petitioner is having one previous case of the same nature. Therefore, in Writ Jurisdiction I am not inclined to exercise my discretion. However, the respondents cannot retain the custody of the vehicle indefinitely. Therefore, the respondents are directed to produce the petition mentioned vehicle before the jurisdictional Court immediately and without any delay. The petitioner can move the Court below thereafter for release of the vehicle. I make it clear that I have not gone into the merits of the matter.



4. With this liberty to the petitioner and direction to the respondents, the writ petition is dismissed. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CO)

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Sub Assistant Registrar (CS)

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To:

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