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W.P.Nos.6058,9966 & 14196 of 2015



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED :: 11-10-2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR

W.P.Nos.6058, 9966 & 14196 of 2015

W.P.No.6058/2015 :

M/s.Tamil Satellite Broadcasters Association...

Petitioner

-VS-

- 1.The Chief Secretary,
Government of Tamilnadu,
Fort St.George,
Chennai.
- 2.The Home Secretary,
Government of Tamilnadu,
Fort St.George,
Chennai.
- 3.The Secretary to the Department of
Information and Technology,
Government of Tamilnadu,
Fort St.George,
Chennai.
- 4.Tamilnadu Arasu Cable T.V.Corporation Ltd.,
rep.by its Managing Director,
34/123, Dugar Towers, 6th Marshalls Road,
Egmore, Chennai-600 008.



5.Union of India,
represented by its Secretary,
Ministry of Information and Broadcasting,
A-Wing, Shasthri Bhavan,
New Delhi.

6.Telecom Regulatory Authority of India,
rep.by its Secretary,
Maha Nagar, Doorsanchar Bhawan,
Jawaharhalal Nehru Marg (Old Mintoo Road),
New Delhi – 110 002. ...

Respondents

W.P.No.9966/2015 :

M/s.Makkal Tholai Thodarpur Kuzhumam Ltd.,
"Makkal TV" ...

Petitioner

-VS-

1.Tamilnadu Arasu Cable T.V. Corporation Ltd.,
rep.by its Managing Director,
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2.Telecom Regulatory Authority of India,
rep.by its Secretary,
Maha Nagar, Doorsanchar Bhawan,
Jawaharhalal Nehru Marg (Old Mintoo Road),
New Delhi – 110 002.

3.M/s.MGK Printing Works Private Limited....

Respondents

W.P.No.14196/2015 :

M/s.Makkal Tholai Thodarpur Kuzhumam Ltd.,
"Makkal TV" ...

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rep.by its Secretary,
Maha Nagar, Doorsanchar Bhawan,
Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg (Old Mintoo Road),
New Delhi – 110 002.
3. The Government of India,
rep.by its Secretary,
Ministry of Communications, Information
and Broadcasting,
Department of Telecommunications,
Sanchar Bhawan,
No.20, Ashoka Road,
New Delhi – 110 001.

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Respondents

W.P.No.6058 of 2015 has been filed, praying for issuance of a writ of certiorari, to call for the records relating to the impugned Tender bearing No.TACTV/Satellite (FTA) Channels/2/2015, dated 09.02.2015, issued by the fourth respondent and quash the same.

W.P.No.9966 of 2015 has been filed, praying for issuance of a writ of mandamus, to direct the respondents to re-link and continue to telecast the channel of "Makkal TV" under the same channel frequency of S-4 in super band under the category of Free to Air Channel without altering its position and status in terms of list published by the first respondent in its website.



W.P.No.14196 of 2015 has been filed, praying for issuance of a writ of certiorarified mandamus, to call for the records of the impugned order made in Proc No.3987/FTA Channels/2015/1, dated 10.04.2015, passed by the first respondent and quash the same, consequently direct the first respondent to re-transmit and continue to telecast the channel of "Makkal TV" under the channel frequency of S-9 in super band instead of U-40 under the category of Free To Air channels and also maintain the status in terms of list published by the first respondent in its website on par with other FTA channels.

For Petitioner in W.P.No.6058/2015: Ms.Harini Yadav

For Respondents 1 to 3 in W.P.No.6058/2015 : Mr.K.Tamilvendhan,
Govt.Advocate.

For Respondent 4 in W.P.No.6058/2015 : Mr.Abdul Saleem

For Respondent 5 in W.P.No.6058/2015 : Mr.V.T.Balaji,
Central Government Standing Counsel.

For Respondents 6 in W.P.No.6058/2015 : Mr.M.Devendran,
Standing Counsel.

For Petitioner in W.P.Nos.9966 & 14196/2015 : Mr.V.Sivaraman,
for Mr.K.Balu.

For Respondent 1 in W.P.Nos.9966 & 14196/2015 : Mr.Abdul Saleem

For Respondent 2 in W.P.Nos.9966 & 14196/2015 : Mr.M.Devendran,
Standing Counsel.

For Respondent 3 in W.P.No.9966/2015 : Mr.J.Srinivasamohan

For Respondent 3 in W.P.No.14196/2015 : Mr.V.T.Balaji,
Central Government Standing Counsel.



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COMMON ORDER

Learned counsel for the petitioners have submitted that the relief sought for in these Writ Petitions has become infructuous. They have also made an endorsement in the petitions to that effect.

2. Therefore, these Writ Petitions are dismissed for having become infructuous. No costs. Consequently, the connected M.P.Nos.1 to 3 of 2015 and 1 of 2015 are closed.

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