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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29.04.2022

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE V.BHARATHIDASAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR

WP(MD) No.9924 of 2020

G.Thirumurugan @ Theeran Thirumurugan ... Petitioner

Vs.

1. Union of India, represented by,
The Principal Secretary to the Government,
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate
Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
Jarbagh Road, New Delhi - 110 003.
2. The Director,
Wildlife Crime Control Bureau,
IInd Floor, Trikoot-I,
Bhikajicama Place, New Delhi - 110 066.
3. The Regional Director,
Southern Region,
Wildlife Crime Control Bureau,
C-2A, Rajaji Bhavan,
Besant Nagar, Chennai - 600090.
4. State of Tamilnadu, represented by
The Principal Secretary to the Government,
Environment and Forests Ministry,
State of Tamilnadu, Secretariat,
Fort St.George, Chennai - 600 009.
5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and (HOD),
Panagal Maligai, 1, Jeenis Road,
Saidapet,
Chennai - 600 015.
6. The District Collector,
Office of the District Collector,
Ramanathapuram - 623 503.



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7. The District Forest Officer,
Ramanathapuram Division,
Forest Department Campus,
Mandapam Road, Opp to ITI,
Ramanathapuram - 623 503.
8. The Superintendent of Police,
Office of the Police Superintendent,
Ramanathapuram District.
9. The Inspector of Police,
Thiruvadanai Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.
10. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Narcotic Intelligence Bureau - CID,
Ramanathapuram District. ... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to transfer the investigation regarding the poaching of Lion's teeth and Deer's Horn in Ramanathapuram District to "Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) to ensure the free and fair investigation in this case in accordance with law.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Lajapathi Roy
for Mr.R.Alagumani

For Respondents 1 & 2 : Mr.V.Chandrasekaran, SPC

For Respondents 3 to 10: Mr.J.Ravindran, AAG
Assisted by Dr.T.Seenivasan
Spl.G.P.(Forests) and
Mr.Tipu Sultan G.A.(Forest)

Amicus Curiae : Mr.T.Mohan

Amicus Curiae : Mr.M.Santhanaraman

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(Order of the Court was made by V.BHARATHIDASAN, J.)

Regarding filing of complaint relating to seizure of Lion's teeth and other wildlife parts, today it is submitted by the seventh respondent District Forest Officer, Ramanathapuram



Division, that the forest officials have filed complaint under Section 55 of the Wildlife Protection Act before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Thiruvadanai in P.R.No.216 of 2022 and the matter is yet to be taken cognizance.

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2.Considering the fact the concerned Special Court has already taken cognizance of the offence under the NDPS Act and now a separate complaint has also been filed by the forest officials under Section 55 of the Wildlife Protection Act, no further order is required to be passed in this writ petition. Hence the writ petition is closed. No costs.

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ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SUB ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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