



W.P.(MD) No.23186 of 2022

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 30.09.2022

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.MAHADEVAN

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE J.SATHYA NARAYANA PRASAD

W.P.(MD)No.23186 of 2022

and

W.M.P.(MD)No.17281 of 2022

S.Manivannan

... Petitioner

-Vs-

- 1.The Secretary to Government,
Ministry of Environment & Forest,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
St. George, Chennai.
- 2.The Director of Geology and Mining,
Industries Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032.
- 3.The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board,
No.76, Mount Road,
Guindy, Chennai-600 032.

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4.The Member / Secretary,

State Environment Impact Assessment Authority,
No.4D, Panagal Maligai,
No.1, Jeenis Road, Saidapet,
Chennai-600015.

5.The District Collector,

Pudukkottai, Pudukkottai District.

6.The Assistant Director of Geology and Mining,

Pudukkottai District.

7.The Revenue Divisional Officer,

Illupoor, Pudukkottai,
Pudukkottai District.

8.The Tahsildar,

Kulathur Taluk, Pudukkottai District.

9.The Manager,

M/s.Ponmudi May Malai Quarry,
Sathiyamangalam Village,
Pudukkottai District.

... Respondents

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PRAYER : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 8 to stop the quarry operations of the 9th respondent in Survey No.47/4 situating at Sathiyamangalam Village, Pudukkottai based on the petitioner's representations dated 15.09.2021 and 19.09.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Purantharadhas
For R1 to R8 : Mr.R.Ragavendran,
Government Advocate
For R9 : Mr.N.Dilip Kumar

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by R.MAHADEVAN, J.]

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents 1 to 8 to stop the quarry operations of the 9th respondent in Survey No.47/4 situating at Sathiyamangalam Village, Pudukkottai, based on the petitioner's representations dated 15.09.2021 and 19.09.2022, respectively.

2.Mr.R.Ragavendran, learned Government Advocate takes notice for the respondents 1 to 8.

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3. According to the petitioner, the 9th respondent is conducting quarrying operation in the abovesaid survey number by using heavy explosives to blast the stones, which spread over the agricultural lands in and around the area. Hence, the petitioner made several representations, lastly on 19.09.2022. Since the same has not been considered so far, this Writ Petition is filed.

4. Today, when the matter is taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate for the respondents 1 to 8, on instructions, would submit that the illegal quarrying operation by the ninth respondent has been stalled and as on date, there is no quarry operation in the aforesaid survey number.

5. Recording the aforesaid submission, this Writ Petition is closed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is also closed.

[R.M.D., J.] & [J.S.N.P., J.]
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