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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09.11.2023

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.SANJAY V.GANGAPURWALA, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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M.K.Bakthavatchalam

.. Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector
Tiruvallur District
Tiruvallur.

2. The Assistant Director (Panchayat)
Collector Office
Tiruvallur.

3. The Block Development Officer (Village Panchayat)
Poonamallee Panchayat Union
Poonamallee
Chennai 600 056.

4. M/s. Jai Sakthi Educational Trust
Rep. by its Managing Trustee
having registered Office at
No.23, Railway Colony Street
Nelson Manickam Road
Aminjikarai, Chennai 600 029.

.. Respondents



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Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 3 to take action on the representations dated 14.5.2018 and 25.5.2018 given by the petitioner regarding evasion of assessment of property tax by the 4th respondent Institution due to the Varadharajapuram Panchayat, Poonamallee Panchayat Union, Tiruvallur District, for several years, within a reasonable period.

For the Petitioner : Mr.A.E.Ravichandran

For the Respondents : Mr.P.Muthukumar
State Government Pleader
for Respondents 1 to 3

Mr.S.Soundararajan
for Respondent-4

ORDER

(Made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

We have heard Mr.A.E.Ravichandran, learned counsel for the petitioner, Mr.P.Muthukumar, learned State Government Pleader for the respondents 1 to 3 and Mr.S.Soundararajan, learned counsel for the fourth respondent.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that the fourth respondent has not paid the property tax. Huge buildings are constructed for various Colleges, Hospital, Library, Auditorium etc., but only a sum of



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Rs.12,01,517/- has been paid by the fourth respondent as property tax to the Panchayat. Tthe fourth respondent is evading the property tax.

3. The petitioner claims to be an Ex-President of the Panchayat. In that event, he should be more interested to see that all the persons who have not paid the property tax are made to pay the same and not to drag one person or the institution.

4. Be that as it may, learned counsel for the fourth respondent submits that as on date, there is no arrears and the entire property tax assessed is paid.

5. In view of the above, the writ petition is disposed of. There will be no order as to costs.

(S.V.G., CJ.)

(D.B.C., J.)

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