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W.P.Nos.7593 and 7595 of 2020

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24.01.2024

CORAM :

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

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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S.Mahalakshmi @ Amirtha

.. Petitioner in
W.P.No.7593/2020

Lakshmi Maniyarasan

.. Petitioner in
W.P.No.7595/2020

vs

1.The Union of India,
rep. by its Home Secretary,
North Block,
New Delhi-110 007.

2.The State of Tamil Nadu,
rep. by its Health Secretary,
Secretariat, Fort St. George,
Chennai-600 009.

3.The Director,
Information and Public Relations Department,
Secretariat, Fort St. George,
Chennai-600 009.

.. Respondents in
both WPs



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Prayer : Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of declaration to declare the decision taken by the first respondent in his order dated 1.5.2020 and the third respondent in his proceedings dated 4.5.2020 to reopen the liquor shops during the lockdown period is illegal, void ab-initio and contrary to its own regulations to prevent and control of Covid-19 pandemic.

For the Petitioners : No appearance
in both WPs

For the Respondents : Mr.C.Kathiravan
in both WPs Spl. Government Pleader
for respondents 2 and 3

COMMON ORDER

(Order of the court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

None appears for the petitioners when the writ petitions are called out.

2. These writ petitions are filed seeking directions not to reopen the liquor shops during the Covid-19 pandemic period.



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3. By efflux of time, the relief claimed in these writ petitions now would not survive.

4. The writ petitions, as such, are disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

(S.V.G., C.J.)

(D.B.C., J.)

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Index : Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
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