



WP.No.21028 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 15.10.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP.No.21028 of 2022
and W.M.P.Nos.20049 & 20051 of 2022

M.Vijayakumar

.. Petitioner

Versus

1. District collector
Salem District

2.Chairman
Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board
No. 76, Mount Salai,
Guindy Chennai 32

3.Joint Chief Environmental Engineer
Tamil Nadu Pollution control Board
No.9, 4th Cross Street
Brindhavan Road, Fairlands, Salem 636 016

4.Commissioner/ Director
Department of Geology and Mining
Guindy, Chennai 32

5. Regional Joint Director
Department of Geology and Mining
Sandiyur, Attayampatti
Salem district, Salem 636 203

6 Revenue Divisional officer
Sankari, Salem District



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7. The Tahsildar
Sankari Taluk, Salem District

8. Village Administrative Officer
Annathanapatti Village
Sankari Taluk, Salem District

9. V.Boopathi .. Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 8 to initiate appropriate action in accordance with law on the representation dated 31.03.2022 for stoppage of the illegal quarrying carried on in the agricultural lands in S.No.146 measuring 13.22 acres situated at Annathanapatti Village, Sankari Taluk, Salem District.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Tholgappian

For Respondents : Mr.Stalin Abhimanyu for R1 to R8
Additional Government Pleader
Mr.R.Marudhachalamurthy for R9

ORDER

This writ petition is filed seeking for the issuance of Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents 1 to 8 to initiate appropriate action in accordance with law on the representation dated 31.03.2022 for stoppage of the illegal quarrying carried on in the agricultural lands in S.No.146 measuring 13.22 acres situated at Annathanapatti Village, Sankari Taluk, Salem District.

2. The petitioner submitted a representation on 31.03.2022 with a request to initiate appropriate action in accordance with law on the



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representation dated 31.03.2022 for stoppage of the illegal quarrying carried on in the agricultural lands in S.No.146 measuring 13.22 acres situated at Annathanapatti Village, Sankari Taluk, Salem District, which is pending without consideration. Hence, this writ petition.

3. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

4. Considering the limited relief sought for in this writ petition, this Court without going into the merits of the case directs the first respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 31.03.2022 and pass appropriate orders on the petitioner's representation on merits and in accordance with law after providing opportunity to the petitioner as well as the private respondent within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order, if not already passed.

5. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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