



W.P.(MD).No.10364 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated: 02.04.2024

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CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN

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K.Suresh Rengababu

.. Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Director of Vigilance and Anti
Corruption,
St.Thomas Mount,
Alandur, Chennai.

2.The Deputy Superintendant of Police,
Directorate of Vigilance and Anti Corruption,
Alagarkovil Road,
K.Pudur, Madurai -7.

3.Murugesan

4.Karuppiah

5.Dhanalakshmi

6.K.Duraipandian

.. Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India to issue a writ of Mandamus directing the first respondent to issue necessary direction to the second respondent to take appropriate action as against the respondent Nos.3 to 6 based on the petitioner's representation dated



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28.02.2023 made to the respondent Nos.1 and 2.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Kannan

For Respondent : Mr.S.Ravi,
Additional Public Prosecutor
for R1 and R2

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed to issue direction to the second respondent to take appropriate action as against the respondent Nos.3 to 6 based on the petitioner's representation dated 28.02.2023 made to the respondent Nos.1 and 2.

2. On 27.09.2023, this Court passed the following order:

Today, when the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that the Vigilance Department initially made a factual verification and they propose to conduct a detailed enquiry. He further submits that a petition under Section 17(a) has also been submitted before the concerned authority and hence, he seeks further time.

2.List this case after two weeks.

3. Today, when the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned

Additional Public Prosecutor, on instructions, submitted that a detailed



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enquiry in No.DE 10/2024/ADW/MU has been initiated and also produced the proceedings dated 04.03.2024, before this Court, which is as follows:

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VIGILANCE AND ANTI CORRUPTION, MADURAI DETACHMENT

To

The Director,
Vigilance & Anti Corruption,
Chennai - 16.

DE : 10/2024/ADW/MU Dated : 04.03.2024

Sir,

Sub : Public Servants - Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Department - Madurai District - Allegations against Tr.S.Karuppaiah, formerly Special Tahsildar, O/o the District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District and another - Detailed Enquiry - Registration Report and Plan of Enquiry - Sent - Regarding.

Ref : Memorandum in DE : 10/2024/ADW/MU Dated: 12.02.2024 of DVAC Chennai.

It is submitted that as instructed in the memorandum cited, this Detailed Enquiry in No. DE 10/2024/ADW/MU is registered against Tr.S.Karuppaiah, formerly Special Tahsildar, O/o the District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District and another in Madurai V&AC Detachment DE Serial No.04 / 2023 - 24 this day (04.03.2024) and taken up for enquiry.

The Registration Report and Plan of Enquiry is enclosed herewith for favour of perusal and necessary action.


(P.M. Ramesh Prabhu)
Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption,
Madurai.



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DETAILED ENQUIRY REGISTRATION REPORT IN

DE : 10/2024 /ADW/MU

**Head Office
Identity No.**

**Name of the
Detachment**

**Detachment
Serial Number**

DE : 10/2024/ADW/MU
Dated : 12.02.2024

Madurai
V&AC

04 / 2023 - 24

01. Date of Registration of the Detailed Enquiry : 04.03.2024
02. Name and address of the Complainant if any : Tmt.Manjula,
W/o Mariappan,
Pathaniyapuram,
Madurai District and 79 others.
03. Name and Official Designation and Status (Whether A, B, C & D Group) of the A.O.(s) : 1)Tr.S.Karuppaiah,
formerly Special Tahsildar,
O/o the District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer,
Madurai District.
Date of Birth : 08.05.1963
Date of Superannuation : 31.05.2023
Group : "B"
Basic Pay : Rs.68,200/-
2)Tr.N.Murugesan,
Deputy Collector / formerly District Adi-Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District.
Date of Birth : 10.05.1963
Date of Superannuation : 31.05.2023
Group : "B"
Basic Pay : Rs.75,000/-
04. Origin of the Detailed Enquiry (quote orders of the Commissioner or : The Director, Vigilance and Anti Corruption, Chennai, ordered to register and conduct Detailed Enquiry



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Government as the case may be and also briefly indicate now the DE started. Whether by conversion of a PE or straight away on a reference from Government or department etc.,)

against the Suspect Officer
Memorandum in No. DE
10/2024/ADW/MU
Dated: 12.02.2024. Accordingly, this Detailed Enquiry has been registered in DE 10/2024/ADW/MU at Madurai V&AC Detachment in DE Serial No.04/2023-24 this day (04.03.2024) and taken up for enquiry.

05. Did the Enquiry start on a Vigilance Report given by the Directorate Staff

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06. **Allegation (s) taken up for enquiry:**

"The accused officers Tr.S.Karuppaiah, formerly Special Tahsildar, O/o the District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District, Tr.N.Murugesan, Deputy Collector / formerly District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District and Tr. Dhanasekaran (Late), Special Tahsildar had demanded Rs.50,000/- as bribe from the beneficiary Tmt.Manjula and 79 others for issuing the free house plots under Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Department, Madurai and the AOs have received each Rs.25,000/- from the 80 beneficiaries and issued the free house plots. However, the AOs did not measure the free house plots and handed over the same to them".


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PLAN OF ENQUIRY IN DE 10/2024/ADW/MU

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Name and designation of the Accused Officer :

- 1) Tr.S.Karuppaiah,
formerly Special Tahsildar,
O/o the District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer,
Madurai District.
- 2) Tr.N.Murugesan,
Deputy Collector / formerly District Adi-Dravidar
and Tribal Welfare Officer,
Madurai District.

Allegation taken up for Enquiry :

"The accused officers Tr.S.Karuppaiah, formerly Special Tahsildar, O/o the District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District, Tr.N.Murugesan, Deputy Collector / formerly District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District and Tr. Dhanasckaran (Late), Special Tahsildar had demanded Rs.50,000/- as bribe from the beneficiary Tmt.Manjula and 79 others for issuing the free house plots under Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Department, Madurai and the AOs have received each Rs.25,000/- from the 80 beneficiaries and issued the free house plots. However, the AOs did not measure the free house plots and handed over the same to them".

(a) Witnesses to be contacted:

- 1) The Complainant Tmt.Manjula and 79 others to be enquired.
- 2) The District Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Officer, Madurai District.
- 3) Any other witnesses, if necessary will be contacted during the course of enquiry.



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(b) Documents to be perused:

- 1) Documents regarding free house plots issue to the beneficiary to be collected at the O/o Adi-Dravidar & Tribal Welfare, Madurai District.
- 2) Service Particulars of the AOs.
- 2) Any other documents, if necessary will be collected during the course of Detail Enquiry.

(c) Expert, if any, to be consulted.

It will be decided during the course of Detailed Enquiry.

(d) Time limit required to complete the enquiry:

It will be completed within the stipulated period of time.


(P.M. Ramesh Prabhu)
Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption,
Madurai



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4. In view of the above proceedings of the first respondent, this writ petition stands disposed of with the following direction:

(i)The Director, Vigilance and Anti Corruption Department, is directed to complete the enquiry within a period of six months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

There shall be no order as to costs.

02.04.2024

NCC : Yes/No
Index :Yes/No
Internet :Yes/No

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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