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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 06.11.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

and

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.SAKTHIVEL

W.P.No.3872 of 2021
and W.M.P.No.4436 of 2021

D.Babu Reddy
S/o.D.Subramanyam Reddy

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Superintendent of Police
Tiruvallur District
Office of the Superintendent of Police
Tiruvallur
2. The Deputy Superintendent of police
Ponneri Range
Office of the DSP, Ponneri
3. The Inspector of Police
Minjur Police Station
Minjur
4. The District Collector
Tiruvallur District
Office of District Collector
Tiruvallur



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5. The Tahsildar
Ponneri Taluk
Office of Tahsildar
Ponneri
Tiruvallur District

6. The President,
Subba Reddy Palayam Village Panchayat
Subba Reddy Palayam Village and Post
NCTPS (SO), Ponneri Taluk, Tiruvallur District

(R4 to R6 impleaded vide order dt. 24/3/2021 made in
WMP.6484/2021 in WP.3872/2021 by MSNJ & AANJ)

7. The District Environmental
Engineer, Tamil Nadu, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board,
Gummidipoondi

(R7 Suo-motu impleaded Vide Order Dt 24/3/2021 made in
WP3872/2021 By MSNJ & AANJ)

8. P.Harish Kumar
Son of Mr.Babu
60 Subba Reddy Palayam Village and Post
NCTPS (SO), Ponneri Taluk, Thiruvallur District
Chennai 600120

(R8 impleaded vide order dt 13.10.2022 made in
WMP.6289/2022 in WP.3872/2021 by RSMJ & KBJ)

9. The Secretary
Public Works Department
Secretariat
Fort St. George
Chennai - 600 009

10. The Secretary
Highways Department
Secretariat
Fort St. George, Chennai - 600 009



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(R9, R10 suo motu impleaded vide order dt 13.10.2022
made in WP.3872/2021 by RSMJ & KBJ)

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, to forbear the respondents 2 and 3 in preventing the movement of lorries over the Subba Reddy Palayam Road and the bridge across Koasasthalaiyar river.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sarath Kumar
for Mr.M.L.Ramesh

For Respondents: Mr.M.Babu Muthu Meeran
Addl. Public Prosecutor - R1 to R3

Mr.R.Kumaravel
Addl Govt. Pleader - R4 to R6, 9 & 10

Mr.B.N.Suchindran
Standing Counsel - R7

Mr.V.Raghavachari
Senior Counsel
for Ms.V.Srimathi - R8

JUDGMENT

M.S.RAMESH, J.
and
R.SAKTHIVEL, J.

The grievance of the Writ Petitioner is that the official respondents herein are preventing the free movement of their lorries across the bridge



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of Kosasthalaiyar river. It is the stand of the few respondents that the bridge was in dilapidated and unsafe condition, and hence such prevention was made. However, pending the Writ Petition, the dilapidated bridge was demolished and a new bridge has now been constructed, which is yet to be officially opened. However, the decision has now been taken in principle, to permit plying of vehicles across the new bridge.

2.In view of this development, the grievance of the petitioner stands redressed, and hence no further orders are required to the prayer sought for in the above Writ Petition.

3.The learned Senior Counsel appearing for the 8th respondent raised objections alleging that there is illegal transportation of materials by these lorries, apart from causing inconvenience to the villagers, since the Road there was very narrow. In case, if there is any such illegal transportation, the official respondents shall forthwith take coercive action to stop such illegal activities.



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4.Insofar as the widening of the road is concerned, it is always open to the 9th respondent herein to approach the official respondents seeking for expansion of the road with a representation, which shall be considered by them in accordance with law.

5.This Writ Petition stands closed accordingly. No costs.
Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is also closed.

[M.S.R, J.]

[R.S.V, J.]

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