



W.P.Nos.29926 and 29867 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED :20.02.2025

CORAM :

**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM**  
**AND**  
**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR**

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and

W.M.P.Nos.32629 & 32564 of 2024

M/s.Sri JVM Publicity  
Rep by its Proprietor,  
Mr.Mohana Krishnan  
No.145, Arcot Road,  
Vadapalani,  
Chennai – 600 026.

... Petitioner in W.P.No.29926 of 2024

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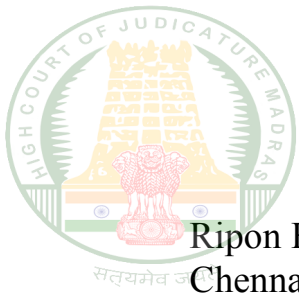
... Petitioner in W.P.No.29867 of 2024

***Vs.***

1.The Commissioner,  
Greater Chennai Corporation,  
Ripon Buildings,  
Chennai – 600 003.

2.The Additional Commissioner,  
Greater Chennai Corporation,  
Ripon Buildings,  
Chennai – 600 003.

3.The Revenue Officer (Hoardings),  
Greater Chennai Corporation,



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Chennai – 600 003.

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4.The Assistant Commissioner of Police,  
(Traffic Department),  
Greater Chennai Police,  
No.132, Commissioner Office Building,  
EVK Sampath Road,  
Vepery,  
Chennai – 600 007.

... Respondents in both petitions

**Common Prayer:** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for the issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents issue license under Form 2 in Chapter-X of the Urban Local bodies Rules 2023 for the Applications filed by the petitioner.

(In both Petitions)

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Wilson for M/s.A.S.Kailasan Associates

For Respondents : Mr.J.Ravindran  
Additional Advocate General  
asst by Mrs.K.Aswini Devi (for R1-3)  
Mr.M.Babumuthumeeran  
Additional Public Prosecutor (for R4)

### **COMMON ORDER**

(Order of the Court was made by *S.M.SUBRAMANIAM, J.*)

The Writ of Mandamus has been instituted to direct the respondents to issue license under Form 2 in Chapter-X of the Urban Local bodies Rules 2023 for the Applications filed by the petitioner.

2. The grievance of the Writ Petitioners is that their application



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seeking licence under Form 2 is Chapter-X of the Urban Local bodies Rules

2023 is yet to be disposed of by the respondents. Installation of hoardings can never be an absolute right of an applicant. Mere direction to dispose of the application would do no service to the cause of justice. The applications ought to be scrutinized and the authorities have to take a decision.

3. Therefore, the petitioners cannot claim issuance of licence as a matter of right, nor the applications to be disposed within a time limit. The authorities must scrutinize the applications strictly in accordance with the Rules.

4. Therefore, the petitioner has not established any right for issuance of direction, as such sought for in the Writ Petition.

5. Accordingly, the Writ Petitions are dismissed. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed. No costs.

[S.M.S., J.] [K.R.S., J.]

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