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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-09-2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE R. SURESH KUMAR
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA**

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M.Loganathan

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Commissioner
Corporation of Chennai
Ripon Buildings, Chennai 600003.

2.The Chairperson/ Zonal Engineer,
Town Vending Committee (Zone V) ,
Corporation of Chennai,
Basin Bridge Road, Chennai 600021.

Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider and pass orders on the petitioner's application dated 20.5.2025 made for grant of permission / certificate of vending and till such time not to interfere with the running of the petitioner's bunk shop near Door No. 60 TNT Complex next to KGN Tower, Ethiraj Salai, Egmore, Chennai 600008 wherein selling tea, coffee, snacks and food items therein.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.L. Chandrakumar

For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Gopinath
Standing Counsel





Ethiraj Salai has been specifically earmarked and declared to be a vending zone and the remaining area were declared to be non vending zone. Moreover, in Ethiraj Salai, the Ethiraj Women's College is located. Therefore, as per the notification issued in this regard, within 100m radius from the educational institution, no such street vending business would be permitted. When that being so, within 100 meters from the educational institution as well as beyond the area other than the 115 meters already declared to be a vending zone, the petitioner cannot have a street vending business for which no permission would be granted.

5. We have considered the said submissions made by the learned counsel appearing for both sides and have perused the materials placed before this Court.

6.As stated by the learned standing counsel for the respondents, within 100 meters from the educational institution since the street vending business could not be permitted, no such permission can be sought for. However, it is the specific contention of the petitioner that in the very same Ethiraj Salai, since at least 115 meters having been declared as vending zone, within that 115 meters alone, the petitioner wanted to to have the Push Cart and to do business for which alone the application since has been made, the same may be directed to be considered.



7.If that being so, we do feel that there could be no impediment for considering such a request made by the petitioner through his representation or application dated 20.12.2025 and if the location which has been identified by the petitioner comes within the vending zone, then alone it can be considered and granted. Otherwise, it is open to the respondent Corporation to take a decision and communicate the same to the petitioner.

8.With these observations, the writ petition stands disposed of accordingly. No costs.

(R.S.K., J.) (A.D.J.C., J.)

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