



WEB COPY



Sub Appln. Nos.1194 and 1359 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10.12.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M. DHANDAPANI

Sub Appln. No.1194 of 2025

in

Cont. P. No.503 of 2025

and

Sub Appln. No.1359 of 2025

in

Sub Appln. Nos.1194 of 2025

in

Cont. P. No.503 of 2025

Sub Appln. No.1194 of 2025

V. Vijayalakshmi,

Applicant

Vs

1. Sibi Adhithya Senthil Kumar, I.A.S.,
District Collector of Cuddalore,
Anna Stadium Ayyanar Kovil Street,
Cuddalore- 607 001.

2.S.Anand,
Tahsildar of Chidambaram,
Chidambaram- 608 704.

3.Samir swarup,
Director of NLC India Limited,
Land Acquisition Department, Block 1,
Neyveli, Cuddalore- 607 801.



Sub Appln. Nos.1194 and 1359 of 2025

4.M.Palani,
General Manager, NLC India Limited,
Land Acquisition and
R & R Department,
Neyveli, Cuddalore- 607 801.

Respondents

Sub Appln. No.1359 of 2025

Samir Swarup
Director of NLC India Limited,
Land Acquisition Department, Block 1,
Neyveli, Cuddalore- 607 801.

Applicant

vs.

1. V. Vijayalakshmi

2. Sibi Adhithya Senthil Kumar, I.A.S.,
District Collector of Cuddalore,
Anna Stadium Ayyanar Kovil Street,
Cuddalore- 607 001.

3.S.Anand,
Tahsildar of Chidambaram,
Chidambaram- 608 704.

4.M.Palani,
General Manager, NLC India Limited,
Land Acquisition and
R & R Department,
Neyveli, Cuddalore- 607 801.

Respondents

Prayer in Sub Appln. No.1194 of 2025 : Sub Appln. filed under Section 151 of CPC seeking to re-open the Contempt Petition No.503 of 2025 which ordered on 02.04.2025.



Sub Appln. Nos.1194 and 1359 of 2025

Prayer in Sub Appln. No.1359 of 2025 : Sub Appln filed under Section 151 of CPC seeking to dispense with the personal appearance of the applicant /3rd respondent in Sub Application No.1194 of 2025 in Contempt Petition No.503 of 2025 on 10.12.2025 or in the alternative allow the applicant/3rd respondent to appear in virtual mode on 10.12.2025.

In Sub Appln. No.1194 of 2025

For Applicant : Mr. V. Nandagopalan
For respondents : Mr.D. Ravichandran
Addl. Govt. Pleader
for R1 & R2
Mr.N. Nithianandam for R3 & R4

In Sub Appln. No.1359 of 2025

For Applicant : Mr. N. Nithianandam
For respondents : Mr.V. Nandagopalan for R1
Mr.D. Ravichandran
Addl. Govt. Pleader
for R2 & R3

COMMON ORDER

Earlier, this Court, vide order dated 26.02.2024, directed the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation seeking employment on the ground of land acquisition. Alleging non-compliance of the said direction, the petitioner has filed the present Contempt Petition.

2. When the contempt petition initially came up for admission on 02.04.2025, the respondents submitted that pursuant to the directions issued by this Court, the petitioner was directed to submit an application and also recorded that the process was under progress and contempt petition was closed.



Sub Appln. Nos.1194 and 1359 of 2025

3. Subsequently, the petitioner has filed the present Sub-Applications (i) seeking to reopen the Contempt Petition, contending that though an order was passed, the benefit of employment has not been extended to the petitioner's family member and ii) dispense with the personal appearance of the applicant / 3rd respondent.

4. This Court is not inclined to entertain these applications.

5. It is well settled that once the direction of the Court is complied with by passing an order and the Contempt Petition is closed on that ground, the Contempt jurisdiction cannot be invoked again to examine the correctness as to the adequacy or legality of such order. Further, it is known fact that the scope of contempt is limited.

6. In the present case, the respondents have considered the representation and passed an order dated 05.09.2024. Therefore, the Sub-Application seeking to reopen the Contempt Petition is not maintainable, as the Contempt Petition was already closed after recording compliance. Consequently connected sub application is also closed.

10.12.2025

Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
vsi2
4/5



WEB COPY



Sub Appln. Nos.1194 and 1359 of 2025

M. DHANDAPANI, J.

vsi2

Sub Appln. No.1194 of 2025
in
Cont. P. No.503 of 2025
and
Sub Appln. No.1359 of 2025
in
Sub Appln. Nos.1194 of 2025
in
Cont. P. No.503 of 2025

10.12.2025