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W.P. No.41620 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06.11.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

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K. Maruthasalam

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Assistant Director of Geology and Mining,
Collectorate Building, Coimbatore – 641 018.
2. The District Collector,
Collectorate Building, Coimbatore – 641 018.
3. The Sub Collector,
Collectorate Building, Coimbatore – 641 018.
4. The District Environmental Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (Coimbatore North),
No.5, Ramasamy Nagar, Kavundampalayam,
Coimbatore – 6410 030.
5. The Tahsildar,
Coimbatore North Tahsildar Office,
Dr.Balasundaram Office,
Coimbatore – 641018.

... Respondents



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Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to consider the representations of the petitioner dated 19.11.2024 and 18.12.2024.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Marudhachalam

For Respondents : Mr.Stalin Abimanyu
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed, directing the respondents to consider petitioner's representations dated 19.11.2024 and 18.12.2024.

2. The case of the petitioner is that he is the proprietor of PSM Chamber Bricks, a licensed brick kiln operating on patta lands in Pannimadai Village, Coimbatore. The kiln has been functional since 2003 under valid permissions issued by the Department of Geology and Mining. However, the said lands were subsequently acquired by the Government. The petitioner was not permitted to remove or sell the bricks from the acquired lands on the ground that the license had expired. The petitioner preferred appeals before the TNPCB Appellate Authority. Consequently, approximately 80,000 raw bricks remain unutilized at the site. The petitioner also submitted a representation to the Tahsildar seeking permission to utilize the already procured raw material from the quarry for



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personal use in view of the ongoing land acquisition. However, no order was passed. Hence, the present writ petition has been filed.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that it would suffice, if a direction is issued to the 2nd respondent to consider the petitioner's representations within a reasonable time.

4. The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents would submit that the 2nd respondent will consider the petitioner's representations and pass appropriate orders within a reasonable time as fixed by this Court.

5. Considering the limited request made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court, without going into the merits of the case, directs the 2nd respondent to consider the representations of the petitioner dated 19.11.2024 and 18.12.2024 on merits and in accordance with law and pass appropriate orders, within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.



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