



W.P(MD)No.15153 of 2020

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 23.07.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM
AND
THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE A.D.MARIA CLETE**

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S.Rameshkumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.Union of India, rep. by
The Secretary,
Ministry of Civil Aviation,
Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan, Block B,
Safdarjung Airport Area,
New Delhi – 110 003.
- 2.The Director,
Project UDAN,
Room No.222, Block :A, Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan,
Safdarjung Airport,
New Delhi – 110 003.
- 3.State of Tamil Nadu, rep. by
The Principal Secretary,
Department of Transport,
Chennai.
- 4.The Director Collector,
District Collectorate,
Sivagangai District,
Pin – 630 562.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus to direct the



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respondents to take immediate action to renovate and reconstruct the Runway located in the Chettinad, near Karaikudi which was mentioned in the tentative list of Phase I of “Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik” (UDAN) Scheme into an full fledged Airport and to include the said Airport under Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik (UDAN) Scheme in accordance with law within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.V.Saha for
Mr.R.Alagumani

For Respondents : Mr.C.Godwin
(for RR1 and 2)
Mr.J.Ashok
Addl. Govt. Pleader (for R3 & R4)

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by S.M.SUBRAMANIAM, J.]

The relief of sought for in the present writ petition is to direct the respondents to take immediate action to renovate and reconstruct the Runway located in the Chettinad, near Karaikudi which was mentioned in the tentative list of Phase I of “Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik” (UDAN) Scheme into an full fledged Airport and to include the said Airport under Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik (UDAN) Scheme in accordance with law within the time stipulated by this Court.

2. A counter affidavit has been filed by the respondents 1 and 2.



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In paragraph 13 of the counter affidavit, it has been held as follows:-

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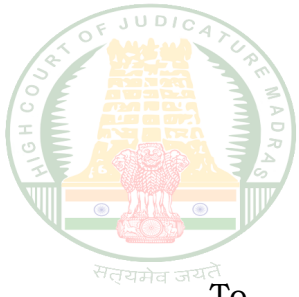
“13. The Ministry of Civil Aviation/Airports Authority of India has called a special round of bidding for past round routes and state sponsored routes in March 2021. Before call of bidding, State Govt. was asked to provide their preferred routes with assurance of VGF funding but MoCA/AAI RCS Cell did not receive any proposal from Govt. of Tamil Nadu for inclusion in the bidding.”

3. The learned standing counsel appearing for the respondents 1 and 2 would submit that there is no such proposal as on today from the Government of Tamil Nadu. Since the Government of Tamil Nadu has not submitted any proposal, no further action was taken.

4. The High Court cannot issue any direction for the development of the airport. That being the case, no further consideration is required. Hence, this writ petition is dismissed. No costs.

[S.M.S., J.] [A.D.M.C., J.]
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