



W.P.(MD) No.4504 of 2018

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 22.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE G.JAYACHANDRAN

and

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN

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Aam Aadmi Party
Represented by its District Secretary,
C.Thirugnanam,
S/o.R.Chandran,
KVC Tower, College Road,
Near Income Tax Office,
Karaikudi,
Sivagangai District.

... Petitioner

-VS-

1.The Commissioner of Municipal Administration,
Ezhilagam, Chepauk,
Chennai-600 005.

2.The District Collector,
Sivagangai District.

3.The Commissioner,
Karaikudi Selection Grade Municipality,
Karaikudi.



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4.Sundarambal,
The Commissioner,
Karaikudi Selection Grade Municipality,
Karaikudi.

5.The Secretary to Government,
Municipal Administration and
Water Supply Department,
Secretariat, Chennai-09.

(R5 is suo motu impleaded vide Court order
dated 02.03.2018 in WP(MD) No.4504 of 2018)

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus, directing the respondents 1 and 2 to take penal action against the fourth respondent herein under the provisions of the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013 and consequently direct the respondents No.1 to 3 to strictly adhere the provisions stipulated in the prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013 and precedents laid down by this Court and the Apex Court in all local bodies in the State of Tamil Nadu.

For Petitioner : Mr.RM.Arun Swaminathan

For R1, R2 and R5 : Mr.J.Ashok
Additional Government Pleader



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For R3 and R4 : Mr.E.P.Venkateshwar
Standing Counsel

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by DR.G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.]

The matter has been listed today under the caption 'for reporting compliance'.

2.The learned Additional Government Pleader filed a status report of the first respondent.

3.Perusal of the status report reveals the action taken in respect of rehabilitation of manual scavengers. It is stated that the manual scavengers had been completely eliminated and that adequate modern equipment and machines have been provided for the purpose of cleaning sewage. The status report filed by the first respondent, is taken on record.



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4.In view of the above, no further order is required in this writ petition.

[G.J., J.] [K.K.R.K., J.]

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