



W.P.(MD)No.20142 of 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 28.07.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE A.D.MARIA CLETE

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R.Mayilsamy

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Principal Secretary to Government,
Municipal Administration and
Water Supply (Ma.1) Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai - 9.

2. The District Collector,
Collectorate Building,
Madurai - 625 020.

...Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the second respondent to constitute the High Level Committee for Monitor and prevent the unauthorized constructions as per G.O. (2D) No.15 of 2024 dated 01.03.2024 issued by the first respondent and consider the petitioners representation dated 22.07.2024.



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For Petitioner : Mr.R.Mayilsamy (Party-in-Person)
For R1 & R2 : Mr.P.Thilak Kumar,
Government Pleader

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by ***S.M.SUBRAMANIAM, J.***)

The relief sought for in the present writ petition is to direct the second respondent to constitute the High Level Committee for monitor and prevent the unauthorized constructions as per G.O. (2D) No.15 of 2024 dated 01.03.2024, issued by the first respondent and to consider the petitioner's representation dated 22.07.2024.

2. The learned Government Pleader appearing on behalf of the respondents would submit that pursuant to the Government Order issued in G.O. (2D) No.15, Municipal Administration and Water Supply (MA.1) Department, dated 01.03.2024, the District Collector, Madurai, issued proceedings dated 24.10.2024 constituting District High Level Monitoring Committee of Madurai District. The members of the District High Level Monitoring Committee of



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Madurai are as follows:

S. No	Designation	Position
1	District Collector, Madurai	Chairperson
2	Commissioner of Police, Madurai	Member
3	Superintendent of Police, Madurai	Member
4	Commissioner of Corporation/Commissioner of Municipality/Executive Officer of Town Panchayat concerned	Member – Convenor
5	Deputy Director of Town and Country Planning	Member
6	Regional Director of Municipal Administration	Member
7	Revenue Divisional Officer/Sub-Collector, Madurai/Melur/Usilampatti/Thirumangalam	Member
8	Additional Personal Assistant (Lands)/Deputy Collector, Madurai	Member
9	Assistant Director of Town Panchayats, Madurai Zone.	Member
10	Executive Engineer, TANGEDCO, Madurai	Member

3. The petitioner-in-person would submit that though Committee has been constituted, no action has been taken for removal of encroachment. The complaints filed by the aggrieved persons are not dealt with and kept pending for long time.



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4. In view of the said complaint, this Court is inclined to direct the second respondent/District Collector, who is the Chairperson of the District High Level Monitoring Committee of Madurai District, to consider all such applications/complaints filed for removal of encroachments/unauthorized constructions etc., in the manner known to law. The complaints are to be dealt with and disposed of within a time line to be fixed by the District Collector, Madurai. Keeping such petitions pending for long time would cause prejudice to the interest of the complainants who all are suffering on account of unauthorized constructions in several locations. Thus, urgent actions are directed to be initiated to deal with the complaints and initiate enforcement actions by following procedures as contemplated in the Government Order.

5. The Government Order itself says that meeting is to be conducted periodically and a report is to be submitted to the State High Level Committee. However, the petitioner-in-person states that no such report has been so far submitted by the District Collector to the State High Level Committee. The Government Orders in this regard are to be followed scrupulously by the District High Level Monitoring Committee, failing which, the Government has to initiate all appropriate action to ensure that the Government Orders are implemented in its



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letter and spirit.

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6. The writ petition stands disposed of with the above observations and directions. There shall be no order as to costs.

(S.M.S., J.) & (A.D.M.C., J.)
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NCC : Yes / No

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