



W.P(MD)No.20370 of 2019

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 03.07.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM
AND
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY**

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G.Thirumurugan

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Union of India,
Rep., by the Principal Secretary,
Ministry of Home Affairs (National Disaster Management),
New Delhi.
- 2.The Secretary,
National Disaster Management Authority,
NDMA Bhavan, A1,
Safderjung Enclave, New Delhi.
- 3.The Additional Secretary and Project Director,
National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project,
A1, Safdarjung Enclave, NDMA Bhavan,
New Delhi.
- 4.The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep., by the Principal Secretary,
Department of Fisheries,
St. George Fort, Chennai.
- 5.The District Collector,
Ramanathapuram District.

... 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 construct Multi Purpose Cyclone Shelters in Moreppannai Fishing Village, Thiruppalaikudi, Mullimunai, Pudhupattinam, Karangkadu, Langiyadi, Soliyakudi, Thondi, Rameshwaram, Pamban, Thangachemadam, Ollakudaa, Thaneeruuthu, Karayur, in Ramanathapuram District and direct the respondents to construct light house in Moreppannai Fishing Village, Ramanathapuram District in accordance with law.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.R.Alagumani
For RR1 to 3	:	Mr.A.Srinivasan Central Govt. Standing Counsel
For RR4 & 5	:	Mr.P.Thilakkumar Government Pleader

ORDER

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

The writ on hand has been instituted to direct the respondents to construct Multi Purpose Cyclone Shelters in Moreppannai Fishing Village, Thiruppalaikudi, Mullimunai, Pudhupattinam, Karangkadu, Langiyadi, Soliyakudi, Thondi, Rameshwaram, Pamban, Thangachemadam, Ollakudaa, Thaneeruuthu, Karayur, in Ramanathapuram District and to direct the respondents to construct light house in Moreppannai Fishing Village, Ramanathapuram District in accordance with law.



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2. As far as construction of light house is concerned, the learned Government Pleader would submit that two light houses at Rameshwaram and Pamban and the third light house has been constructed at Pasipattinam Village. That being so, the relief requires no further consideration.

3. As far as construction of multi purpose cyclone shelters is concerned, the Deputy Project Director, National Disaster Management Authority, issued a letter dated 17.12.2018 stating that National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project (NCRMP) does not cover the State of Tamil Nadu. These all are the Central Government Schemes to be implemented in the context of its terms and conditions. It is a policy decision and therefore, High Court cannot interfere with such policy decision. That apart, the State Government has already constructed 23 cyclone shelters which are in operation. That being so, no further consideration is required in this Writ Petition and the same stands dismissed. However, there shall be no order as to costs.

[S.M.S., J.] [S.S.Y., J.]
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NCC:Yes/No
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