



W.P.(MD).No.20187 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 24.07.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

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... Petitioner

Vs.

**1.The District revenue Officer,
Tanjore,
Tanjore District.**

**2.The Inspectore of Police,
Civil Supplies Crime Investigation Department,
Tanjore,
Madurai Region.**

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1st Respondent to entrust the interim custody of the Vehicle by branding name TATA Lorry bearing Registration No.TN-49-AM-9495 seized in connection with FIR No.85 of 2025 on the file of the 2nd Respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Rajamohamed

**For R1 : Mr.K.R.Badurus Zaman
Government Advocate**

**For R2 : Mr.K.Sanjai Gandhi
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)**



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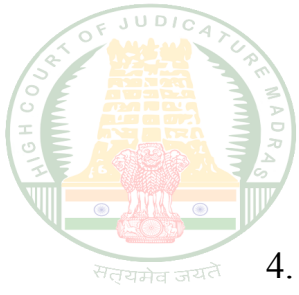
ORDER

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This Writ Petition is disposed of at the time of admission after hearing the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocates for the respondents.

2. This Writ Petition has been filed for interim custody of the petitioner's vehicle bearing Registration No.TN-49-AM-9495, which was seized in connection with FIR No.85 of 2025 on the file of the 2nd respondent Police.

3. The learned Government Advocate for the second respondent would submit that although the petitioner's vehicle was involved in the aforesaid crime and First Information Report has been registered in Crime No.85 of 2025, on 12.04.2025 for the offences punishable under Section 4 of TN Essential Trade Articles (Regulation of Trade) Order, 1984 and Section 7(i)(a)(ii) TN Essential Commodities Act, 1955, it is informed that no proceedings have been initiated to confiscate the said vehicle, which was seized on 12.04.2025.



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4. Considering the submission made by the learned Government Advocate, there shall be a direction to the second respondent to release the petitioner's vehicle bearing Registration No. TN-49-AM-9495, subject to the petitioner furnishing appropriate security as may be required. Such release shall be without prejudice to the rights of the respondents to initiate penalty proceedings and to order confiscation under Section 6(A) of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, if warranted.

5. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

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