



W.P.No.11963 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 27.03.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

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and

W.M.P.No.13059 of 2026

A.Rangarajan

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Regional Transport Officer,
Erode East, Erode.
- 2.The Regional Transport Officer,
Erode West, Erode.
- 3.The Regional Transport Officer,
Tiruppur South, Tiruppur.
- 4.The Regional Transport Officer,
Mettupalayam, Coimbatore District.
- 5.The Inspector Police,
Erode Town Police Station,
Erode.
- 6.The Managing Director,
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation Ltd,
37, Mettupalayam Road,
Coimbatore 43.
- 7.The General Manager,
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation Ltd,
Tiruppur Branch – 2, Tiruppur.

... Respondents



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Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent 1 to 4 herein to consider the petitioner's representation dated 19.02.2026 and 14.03.2026 to curb the illegal operation of 6th and 7th respondents buses TN-39/N-0447, TN-38/N-3171, TN-33/N-3294, TN-33/N-3236, TN-39/N-0400 or any other vehicle which does not have valid permit to operate on the route Tirppur to Erode, forthwith.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Hariharan

For Respondents : Mr.M.Shahjahan
Special Government Pleader [R1 to R4]
Mr.V.Meganathan
Government Advocate (Crl.Side) [R5]
Notice dispensed with [R6 & R7]

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed to direct the respondents 1 to 4 to curb the alleged illegal operation of the 6th and 7th respondents buses in the route Tiruppur to Erode forthwith.

2. Mr.M.Shahjahan, learned Special Government Pleader, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents 1 to 4 and Mr.V.Meganathan, learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side), accepts notice on behalf of the 5th respondent.



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3. The petitioner claims that he has been granted a valid route permit to operate his buses by the respondents for the route Tiruppur to Erode. According to the petitioner, though the respondents 6 and 7 having route permits for their buses only from Coimbatore to Sathyamangalam, they are operating their vehicles illegally in the route Tiruppur to Erode. The petitioner had given representations on 19.02.2026 and 14.03.2026 to the respondents 1 to 4 requesting them to prevent the illegal operation of the buses by the respondents 6 and 7 in the route Tiruppur to Erode. Since the said representations have not been considered, the petitioner has filed this writ petition.

4. Learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 4, on instructions, would submit that based on the petitioner's representations, enquiry is being conducted by the 1st respondent.

5. No prejudice would be caused to any of the parties, if the petitioner's representations as stated supra is considered on merits and in accordance with law, after the petitioner as well as the respondents 6 and 7 are granted an opportunity of hearing by the 1st respondent, within a



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time frame to be fixed by this Court. Since no adverse order is passed against the respondents 6 and 7 in this writ petition, notice to the respondents 6 and 7 is dispensed with by this Court.

6. For the foregoing reasons, this Writ Petition is disposed of by directing the 1st respondent to pass final orders on merits and in accordance with law on the petitioner's representations, dated 19.02.2026 and 14.03.2026 seeking to curb the alleged illegal operation of the 6th and 7th respondents buses morefully disclosed in the prayer to this writ petition, in the route Tiruppur to Erode, after hearing the objections of the respondents 6 and 7, and after giving due consideration to the supporting documentary evidence produced by the respective parties, within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Speaking order / Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation Case : Yes/No
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