



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 18-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 14435 of 2025

and WMP Nos.16307 and 16309 of 2025

Indira
W/o.Late.Prakasam,
D.No.5/172, Kappalvadi Village,
Venkatasamudram, Sigaralapalli,
Krishnagiri District-635 104.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector
Krishnagiri District, Krishnagiri-635 115.
2. The Tahsildar
Bargur Taluk, Old Madras Highway,
Krishnagiri District-635 104.
3. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Krishnagiri District-635 001.
4. The Deputy Director
Department Of Geology And Mining,
Krishnagiri District-635 126.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of Certiorarified Mandamus calling for the records of the impugned proceedings issued by the 1st respondent vide Na.Ka. 2053/93 (A. Kanimam) dated 09.02.2002 and the consequential attachment notice issued by the 2nd respondent vide Na.Ka. 1202/ 2024/ A3 dated 25.01.2025 and quash the same as illegal, arbitrary, and in violation of the principles of natural justice and consequently grant liberty to the petitioner to challenge the impugned order dated 09.02.2002 issued by the 1st respondent under Section 36-C of Tamil



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For Petitioner(s): Mr.Naveen Kumar Murthy
for Mr.M.Mahamani

For Respondent(s): Mr.Stalin Abhimanyu AGP

ORDER

The petition has been filed to call for the records of the impugned proceedings issued by the 1st respondent vide Na.Ka. 2053/93 (A. Kanimam) dated 09.02.2002 and the consequential attachment notice issued by the 2nd respondent vide Na.Ka. 1202/ 2024/ A3 dated 25.01.2025 and quash the same as illegal, arbitrary, and in violation of the principles of natural justice and consequently grant liberty to the petitioner to challenge the impugned order dated 09.02.2002 issued by the 1st respondent under Section 36-C of Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1959.

2. When the matter was taken up for hearing, it is fairly conceded by the learned counsel for the petitioner that they have an alternate remedy under Section 30-C(2) of the Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1959. However, since considerable period was lapsed from the date of the filing of the impugned order, he has come with this writ petition and he is ready to go before the authority concerned.



3. Therefore, recording the same, the petitioner is directed to go before the concerned appellate authority and the appellate authority shall not dismiss the appeal on the ground of delay as this Court is of the opinion that sufficient reasons are given for the delay. The petitioner shall file an appeal within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is needless to state that the appellate authority shall provide a personal hearing.

With the above directions, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions stand closed.

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