



W.P.(MD)No.10959 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 17.04.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR**

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and

W.M.P.(MD)No.8539 of 2026

K.Jebamani

... Petitioner

vs.

1.The District Collector,
Kanyakumari District,
Nagercoil, Kanyakumari District.

2.The Assistant Director,
O/o. District Health Officer,
Krishnankovil Road,
Melatherukarai, Nagercoil -629 001.
Kanyakumari District.

3.The Assistant Director (Panchayat),
O/o. Assistant Director of Panchayats,
Nagercoil, Kanyakumari District.

4.The Block Development Officer,
Killiyoor Panchayat Union,
Tholayavattam Post,
Kanyakumari District.



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5.The Assistant Block Development Officer (Panchayats),
Killiyoor Panchayat Union,
Tholaiyavattam Post,
Kanyakumari District.

6.Abin,
Proprietor of Wood Work and Interior Work,
Kottavillai,
Kalldai, Pootetri Post,
Kanyakumari District

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents 2 to 5 to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 05.02.2026 take appropriate action in furtherance of the proceedings of the District Environmental Engineer, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Nagercoil in Letter No.Ko.-Thonu 06(207/2025)/2026, dated 23.02.2026 and stop the illegal wood industry run by the 6th respondent herein in the name and style of “Wood Work and Interior Works” located at Kottavillai, Kalladai, Pootetri Post, Kanyakumari District without obtaining proper permission or license from the authority concern.

For Petitioner	:Mr.K.Pratap Sudarsan
For R1 to R3	:Mr.D.Sadiq Raja Additional Government Pleader
For R4 and R5	:Mr.B.Saravanan Additional Government Pleader



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ORDER

The petitioner is before this Court seeking issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing respondents 4 and 5 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 05.02.2026.

2. In the said representation, the petitioner called upon the said respondents to take action against the sixth respondent, who is allegedly carrying on wood industry activities illegally. The petitioner further states that the District Environmental Engineer, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Nagercoil, had communicated to the fourth respondent that the sixth respondent was operating a temporary mill near a residential area without obtaining permission from the competent authority. The grievance of the petitioner is that the said representation has not been considered.

3. Mr. B. Saravanan, learned Additional Government Pleader, who accepts notice on behalf of respondents 4 and 5, on instructions, submitted that the petitioner's representation dated 05.02.2026 would be



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considered by the fourth respondent on merits within the time frame fixed by this Court. The said submission is taken on record.

4. In view of the above, the writ petition stands disposed of with a direction to the fourth respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 05.02.2026 on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, after providing an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and also taking into consideration the communication dated 23.02.2026 issued by the District Environmental Engineer, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Nagercoil.

5. The aforesaid exercise shall be completed within a period of eight (8) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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