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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 03-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SENTHILKUMAR RAMAMOORTHY

WP(MD) Nos. 16816 & 16968 of 2025

CNR:{HCMD010716882025}

and

WMP(MD) Nos.12753, 12754, 12884 & 12886 of 2025

WP(MD) No. 16816 of 2025

M/s. Amazo Solar Farm LLP,
U-02 Swagat, B/s. Lal Bungalow,
CG Road, Ambawadi,
Ahmedabad, Gujarat - 380 006,
Through its authorized signatory,
G.Sreenivas.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Forest Officer,
   Thoothukudi Division,
   Thoothukudi District.

2. Ilayaraja,
   Former President,
   Ottapidaram Village Panchayat,
   Ottapidaram, Thoothukudi District.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorari calling for the records relating to the impugned proceeding of the first respondent dated 26.05.2025 rejecting the application of petitioner vide Applicant ID - TFPS00359 and quashing the same.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Mohaboob Fazil

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For R1 : Mr.P.Pethu Rajesh
Additional Government Pleader

For R2 : Mr.G.Thalai Mutharasu

WP(MD) No. 16968 of 2025

Priyashree Jaiswal,
C/o.Ravi Shaw,
13/3, Surpara, CPM Party Office,
Athpur, North 24 Parganas,
West Bengal 743128.

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..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorari, calling for the records to the impugned proceeding of the first respondent dated 26.05.2025 rejecting the application of petitioner vide Applicant ID TFPS00358 and quashing the same.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Mohaboob Fazil

For R1 : Mr.P.Pethu Rajesh
Additional Government Pleader

For R2 : Mr.G.Thalai Mutharasu

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COMMON ORDER

These two Writ Petitions are filed on behalf of a limited liability partnership and an individual in relation to the request for permission to fell trees in Survey Nos.699, 700, 711/1A, 704/3 and 701, respectively.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the request for permission was rejected solely on the ground that W.P.(MD) No.9575 of 2025 is pending. He points out that there is no interim order in said Writ Petition preventing consideration of the application.

3. As pointed out by learned counsel for the petitioners, the application was rejected by recording as under:

"Court case pending (WP(MD) No. 9575 of 2025)"

4. W.P.(MD) No.9575 of 2025 is a Writ Petition filed by the second respondent in these Writ Petitions seeking to prevent the petitioners herein and M/s.Torrent Urja 14 Pvt. Ltd. from installing fencing and solar panels without obtaining the requisite permission. As on date, no interim order is in operation in said Writ Petition. Therefore,

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the rejection of the applications merely on the ground of pendency of the Writ Petition is untenable. Consequently, the orders impugned in these Writ Petitions are set aside and these matters are remanded for reconsideration by the District Forest Officer. After providing a reasonable opportunity to the petitioners and the second respondent in these Writ Petitions, fresh orders shall be issued in accordance with law, uninfluenced by the pendency of W.P.(MD) No.9575 of 2025.

5. These Writ Petitions are disposed of on the above terms. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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