



W.P.No.15120 of 2019

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 12.12.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N. SATHISH KUMAR

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

W.P.No.15120 of 2019

and

W.M.P.No.15112 of 2019

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G.Subramania Koushik

... Petitioner (s)

Vs

1.The Principal Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu,
Environment and Forest Department,
Secretariat, Fort St.George,
Chennai 600 009 and 29 others

... Respondent(s)

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M/s Genicon & Associates

For Respondent(s): Dr.T.Seenivasan
Special Government Pleader for
RR1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13
and 14, 30

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Mr.K.Madhan for R12

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for RR15, 28, 29

Mr.B.N.Suchindran,
Standing Counsel for TNPCB for
R16

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for Railways

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1. Mr.C.Mohan, Advocate
2. Mr.T.Mohan, Senior Advocate
3. Mr.M.Santhanaraman, Advocate
4. Mr.Rahul Balaji, Advocate

ORDER

TASMAC – Buy Back Scheme (Collection of Empty Bottles – Accounting of Sale Proceeds of Empty Bottles) :

With reference to the Buy Back Scheme, today, a status report is filed on record by the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation



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Limited (TASMAC). In the status report, it is mentioned that the Buy Back

Scheme is fully implemented in 21 Districts and the learned counsel adds that, after preparation of the status report, one more District is also included and therefore, it is fully implemented in 22 Districts and it is also further stated that it is partially implemented in 6 Districts; and throughout Tamil Nadu, by the end of December, 2025, this will be implemented in all the Districts. The statements are taken on record.

2.With reference to the grievances of the workmen, it was mentioned that the Committee had submitted their report and it is being considered by the authorities. Let a detailed status report be filed in that regard as to what are the recommendations that are made by the Committee and in what manner it has accepted and what are the steps they are going to implement to alleviate the grievances that are expressed by the workmen.

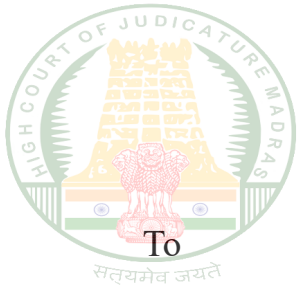
3.For filing a detailed status report, call on 23.01.2026.

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[D.B.C.J.,]

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Environment and Forest Department,
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- 2.The District Collector,
The Nilgiris District, Collectorate, Ooty
643001.
- 3.The Commissioner,
Udhagamandalam Municipality, Oot,
The Nilgiris District.
- 4.The Commissioner,
Coonoor Municipality, Coonoor, The
Nilgiris District.
- 5.The Commissioner,
Gudalur Municipality, Gudalur, The
Nilgiris District.
- 6.The Commissioner,
Kotagiri Town Panchayath, Kotagiri, The
Nilgiris District.
- 7.The Field Director,
Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, Mount Stuart
Hill, Ooty, The Nilgiris.
- 8.The District Forest Officer,
The Nilgiris District, Mount Stuart Hill,
Ooty -643001.
- 9.The Commissioner,
Kodaikanal Municipality, Kodaikanal,
Dindigul District. (R9 SUO MOTU
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10. The Principal Secretary To
Government,
Transports Department, Secretariat, Fort
St. George, Chennai - 600009.

11. The Transport Commissioner,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Commissionerate of Transport and Road
Safety, Ezhilagam, PWD Estate,
Chepauk, Triplicane, Chennai - 600005.

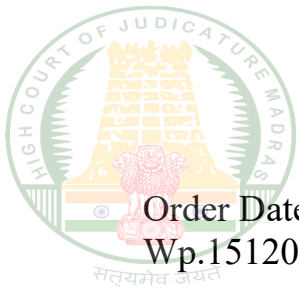
12. The Principal Secretary,
Department Of Municipal
Administration, Urban And Water
Supply, Government Of Tamil Nadu,
Secretariat, Fort St. George,
Chennai.600 009.

13. The Additional Chief Secretary,
Department Of Tourism, Culture And
Religious Endowments Department,
Government Of Tamil Nadu, Secretariat,
Fort St. George, Chennai.600 009.(r13
And R14 Are Suo Motu Impleaded As
Per Order Dated 19.03.2024 In
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14. The Secretary To The Ministry Of
Road Transport And Highways,
Transport Bhawan, No.1, Parliament
Street, New Delhi.110 001. (r15- Suo
Motu Impleaded As Per Order Dated
04.11.2024 In Wp.15120/2019 By Nskj
And Dbcj)

15. The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board,
No.76, Mount Salai, Guindy, Chennai -
600032. (r16 Suo Motu Impleaded Vide

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16.The Tamil Nadu Co-operative Milk Producers' Federation Limited,
(AAVIN), Aavin Illam, TCMPF Ltd.,
3A, Pasumpon Muthuramalingar Salai,
Nandanam, Chennai – 600 035.

17.The Secretary to Government,
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,
Government of India,
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi – 110011.

18.The Secretary to Government,
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change,
Government of India,
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road,
New Delhi – 110 003.

19.The Secretary to Government,
Health and Family Welfare Department,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Fort St. George, Chennai – 600 009.



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