



W.P.No.17043 of 2023
and
W.M.P.No.16229 of 2023

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and
P. DHANABAL, J.

According to the writ petitioners, they have purchased the property in question in the year 2010 and they are in possession of the same since then. While so, the fifth respondent, P.Venkatesan, had filed a suit in O.S.No.5317 of 2011 on the file of VII Assistant City Civil Court, Chennai, without impleading the petitioners herein in the suit. The suit was ultimately dismissed. Against the dismissal order, an appeal was preferred by the said P.Venkatesan, in A.S.No.15 of 2020, on the file of VI Additional Judge, City Civil Court, Chennai, and the same was allowed. Pursuant to the said judgment passed in the appeal suit, a writ petition was filed in W.P.No.8797 of 2023 before this Court, for a direction to the Greater Chennai Corporation to demolish the building in question, wherein this Court, by order 21.03.2023, had directed the Greater Chennai Corporation to take further action against the petitioners herein. Therefore, the respondent Corporation has issued the impugned lock and seal and demolition notice dated 06.05.2023, to the petitioners herein. Since the petitioners herein were not impleaded as parties either in the suit O.S.No. 5317 of 2011, the subsequent first appeal in A.S.No.15 of 2020 and the Writ Petition in W.P. No.8797 of 2023, the petitioners have filed civil revision petition in C.R.P.No.1684 of 2023 before this Court, which was admitted by this Court by order dated 11.05.2023.



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2. The contention of the petitioners is that the said impugned notice has been issued at the instance of the fifth respondent, based on a claim that he is the owner of the property without impleading the petitioners herein as parties in the writ petition as well in the suit. Since the petitioners have not produced any document with regard to their possession of the property, considering the above said fact, we are inclined to grant status quo to that extent. Therefore, there shall be an order of status quo as on today to be maintained by the parties.

3. List the matter on **22.06.2023**.

4. In the meantime, learned counsel for the petitioners are permitted to take private notice to the fifth respondent.

5. Mr. D.B.R. Prabhu, learned Standing Counsel for the Corporation, takes notice for the respondents 1 to 4.

(D.K.K., J.) (P.D.B., J.)

08.06.2023

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