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W.P.No.22882 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 19.06.2026

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI,  
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

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N.Saravanan  
S/o.R.Narayana  
LIG: 35, TNHB (Kadamadai)  
Erranahalli Post, Palacode Taluk,  
Dharmapuri District.

Petitioner

Vs

- 1.The Secretary to Government  
Higher Education Department  
Secretariat, St. George  
Chennai-09.
- 2.The Director/Commissioner  
Directorate of Technical  
Education (DOTE)  
Chennai.
- 3.The District Collector  
Office of the Collectorate  
Dharmapuri District.
- 4.The Superintendent of Police  
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5.The District Forest Officer  
Dharmapuri District.

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Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to conduct a fair investigation into the illegal cutting and removal of sandalwood, teakwood trees from the Government Polytechnic College campus at Palacode, Dharmapuri District, by securing and examining CCTV footage and other records to identify and prosecute the persons responsible including erring officials, to initiate appropriate departmental/disciplinary proceedings against those found negligent and to take immediate effective measures to protect and safeguard the remaining trees and natural resources, by disposing of the petitioner's representation dated 29.8.2025.

For Petitioner: Mr.S.Velmurugan

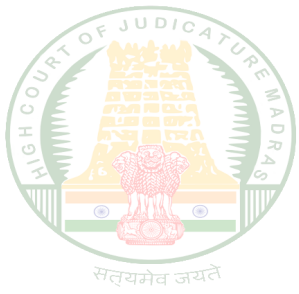
For Respondents: Mr.Mohammed Fayaz Ali  
Government Pleader  
for R1 to R3 and R5

Mr.N.Palanivel  
Govt. Advocate (Crl) for R4

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks to withdraw the writ petition with liberty to approach this Court as and when occasion arises.



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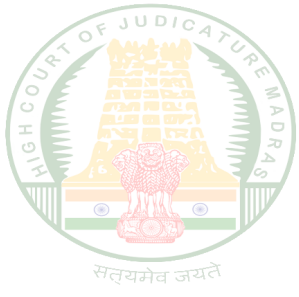
The writ petition is dismissed as withdrawn with the aforesaid liberty. There will be no order as to costs.

(SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI, CJ) (G.ARUL MURUGAN,J)  
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Index : Yes/No  
Neutral Citation : Yes/No  
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