

W.P.Nos.27356 of 2019 and 28266 of 2022

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03..04..2025

CORAM :

**THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR
AND
THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY**

W.P.Nos.27356 of 2019 and 28266 of 2022
& W.M.P.Nos.13292, 13294, 35572, 36994 and 37000 of 2024
and
W.M.P.Nos.42082, 42113, 42114, 42115 & 42116 of 2024

In W.P.No.27356 of 2019 :-

S.MURALIDHARAN

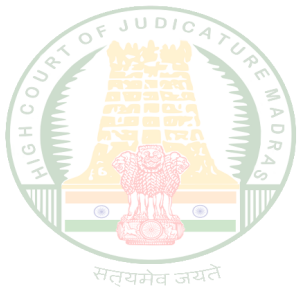
S/O.MR.P.SIVALINGAM, 2A, 3RD MAIN ROAD,
KOTTUR GARDENS, CHENNAI-600 085.

.. Petitioner

Versus

PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
AND CHIEF WILDLIFE WARDEN,
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS,
GOVT. OF TAMIL NADU,
NO.1 JEENIS ROAD, PANAGAL BUILDINGS,
SAIDAPET, CHENNAI-600 015 AND 65 OTHERS

.. Respondents



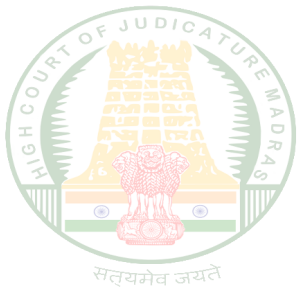
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- For Petitioner : Mr.S.Muralidharan,
Party-in-person
- For Respondents : Mr.J.Ravindran, Additional Advocate General
Assisted by Dr.T.Seenivasan,
Special Government Pleader (Forest),
for RR-1, 3 to 5
- : R2 deleted vide order, dated 09.01.2021
made in W.M.P.No.4685 of 2021 in
W.P.No.27356 of 2019
- : Mr.Suchindran.B.N, Standing Counsel for R4
- : Mr.V.Chandrasekaran, Senior Panel Counsel,
for R6
- : Mr.S.P.Chockalingam, for R7
- : Mr.L.Jaivenkatesh, Standing Counsel for R8
- : Mr.Richardson Wilson, for RR- 9 to 11, 16 to
45
- : RR - 12 to 15 - No Appearance



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: Mr.N.Muralikumaran, Senior Counsel,
for M/s.MCGAN Law Firm, for RR- 46 to 49

: Mr.L.Palanimuthu, for RR - 50 to 64

: Mr.M.Purushothaman, for RR- 65 and 66

In W.P.No.28266 of 2022:-

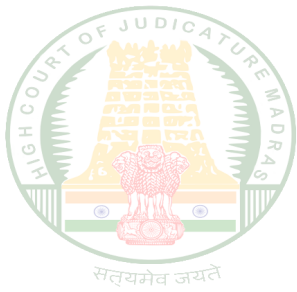
For Petitioner : Mr.S.P.Chockalingam

For Respondents : Mr.J.Ravindran,
Additional Advocate General,
Assisted by Dr.T.Seenivasan,
Special Government Pleader for RR - 1 and 4

: Mr.Suchindran, B.N, Standing Counsel,
for RR - 2 and 3

Amici Curiae in both Writ Petitions

1. Mr.C.Mohan, learned Counsel
2. Mr.T.Mohan, learned Senior Counsel
3. Mr.M.Santhanaraman, learned Counsel



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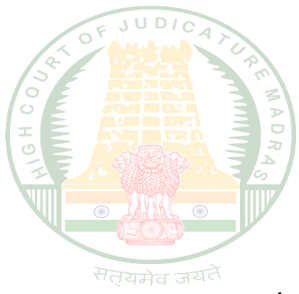
COMMON ORDER

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Status report has been filed with reference to notifying the Elephant Corridors, wherein, it is stated that the detailed corridor report would be completed within through field information on the areas involved, survey numbers to be included, institutions and agriculture lands to be examined with all finer details including the names of persons who have ownership over such assets and prepare and action plan with prioritisation. Thereofre, seeks 5 to 6 months time.

2. Let the Commitee file details indicating the nature of the particulars to be gathered from the Government side and also stipulate the timeline required to complete the entire process in the next hearing date.

3. Post on 25.04.2025.



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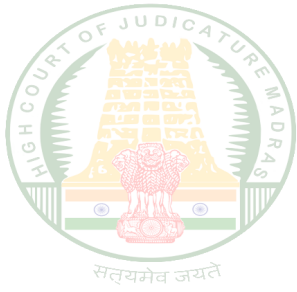
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4. With respect to the directions that were given by our order dated 10.01.2025, learned Additional Public Prosecutor has filed a status report today indicating that SIT has commenced investigation and 18 cases have been registered over illegal soil mining in Thondamuthur, Perur and Alandurai Police Stations. The following plan of action was prepared, i.e., Collection of SOC (Illegal mining) related documents, Investigation at Mining Site, Transport, Financial Investigation and Brick Kiln Chambers. Further, some of the accused were arrested and remanded to judicial custody. The status report is taken on record.

5. At request, post on 17.04.2025.

(N.S.K., J.) (D.B.C., J.)
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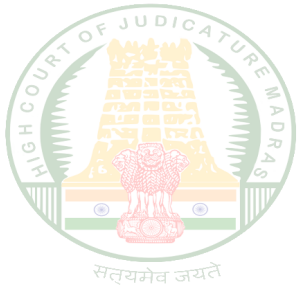
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To

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DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS,
GOVT. OF TAMIL NADU,
NO.1 JEENIS ROAD, PANAGAL BUILDINGS,
SAIDAPET, CHENNAI-600 015.
2. THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR,
DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINING,
COIMBATORE DISTRICT,
COIMBATORE COLLECTORATE,
COIMBATORE – 641018.
3. THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE, CHENNAI.
4. TMT.G.NAGAJOTHI, I.P.S., SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
STATE CRIME RECORDS BUREAU, CHENNAI.
5. THIRU.G.SHASHANK SAI, I.P.S., SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
ORGANISED CRIME INTELLIGENCE UNIT, CHENNAI.
6. THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF MADRAS.



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