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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27.11.2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI**

W.P.No.44697 of 2025  
and W.M.P.No.49878, 49883 & 49884 of 2025

M.Ananthi

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Additional Chief Secretary,  
Department of Geology & Mining,  
Government of Tamil Nadu,  
Secretariat, St.George Fort,  
Chennai-600 009.

2.The Commissioner,  
Department of Geology & Mining,  
Guindy, Chennai-600 032.

3.The Chairman,  
Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board,  
No.76, Mount Road,  
Guindy, Chennai-600 032.

4.The Director,  
Department of Geology & Mines,  
SIPCOT Industrial Estate,  
Guindy, Chennai-600 032.

5.The Director,  
Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department,  
4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Panagal Building,  
Saidapet, Chennai-600 015.



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6. The Deputy Director (Addl./C),  
Department of Geology & Mines,  
Office of the Collectorate,  
Chengalpattu,  
Chengalpattu District.

7. The District Collector cum Inspector of Panchayat,  
Collectorate, Chengalpattu,  
Chengalpattu District.

8. The Revenue Divisional Officer,  
Office of the R.D.O.,  
Mathuranthagam Revenue Division,  
Mathuranthagam,  
Chengalpattu District.

9. The Thasildar,  
Office of the Thasildar,  
Cheyyur,  
Chengalpattu District.

10. R. Udhyarajan,  
Managing Partner, M/s. Velavan Blue Metals,  
No. 59, East Jones Road,  
Saidapet, Chennai-600 015.

... Respondents

**Prayer:** Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus calling for records relating to the Impugned Order in Na.Ka.No.16/Mines/2024 dated 03.07.2024 on the file of the 6<sup>th</sup> Respondent and quash the same and consequently direct the 6<sup>th</sup> Respondent not to issue any license or permission for quarrying in the geographical jurisdiction of Nerukunampattu Village Panchayat of Lathur Panchayat Union, Cheyyur Taluk, Chengalpattu District.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Arokia Mani Raj

For Respondents : Mr.Stalin Abimanyu,  
Additional Government Pleader  
for RR-1 to 9

### **ORDER**

Aggrieved by the public notice issued by the 6<sup>th</sup> respondent dated 03.07.2024, the petitioner is before this Court.

2. Mr.Stalin Abimanyu, learned Additional Government Pleader takes notice on behalf of respondents 1, 2 & 4 to 9.

3. It is the case of the petitioner that, a public announcement was made by the revenue authorities on 27.02.2024 stating that the 10<sup>th</sup> respondent had requested for grant of license for earth quarrying in Survey Nos.800/1, 80/2 & 80/3 to an extent of 3.37.00 hectares in Nerkunampattu Village Panchayat. Despite the objections raised by the Village Public of the Nerkunampattu Village Panchayat Union, against the grant of license in favour of the 10<sup>th</sup> respondent, the present impugned notice has come to be issued by the 6<sup>th</sup> respondent publishing the name of the petitioner for grant of lease for operating the quarry. Aggrieved by which, the petitioner has come up with the present Writ Petition.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the impugned public notice is bad-in-law as the same has been issued without the



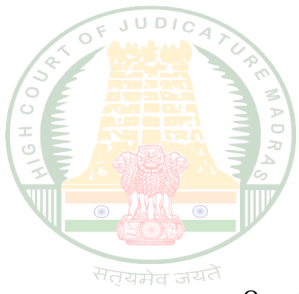
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consent of the President of the Village Panchayat, the petitioner herein and that the 10<sup>th</sup> respondent has failed to satisfy the general conditions stipulated while granting quarry license. Accordingly, the notice impugned herein is liable to be interfered with.

5. Per Contra, learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents submitted that, as the notice impugned herein is only a consequential notice which cannot be challenged. If at all the petitioner is aggrieved, he has to challenge the environmental clearance which was obtained for grant of quarry license. Accordingly, he prayed for dismissal of the Writ Petition.

6. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

7. Admittedly, the license for quarry was granted in favour of the 10<sup>th</sup> respondent prior to 03.07.2024 after obtaining all requisite approvals including the Environmental Clearance which has not been challenged till date. Without challenging the Environmental Clearance certificate which was the basis for grant of license, consequential notice cannot be challenged. If at all the petitioner has any grievance, the proper course open to the petitioner is to challenge the Environmental Clearance certificate. In such view of the matter, the prayer sought for in this Writ Petition cannot be acceded to and this Writ Petition deserves to be dismissed.



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8. Accordingly, the Writ Petition stands dismissed with liberty to the petitioner to work out the remedy in the manner known to law. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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Index : Yes / No

Speaking Order / Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation Case : Yes / No

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