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A.No.6067 of 2025
in C.S.(Comm.Div)No.311 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03.12.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

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Geoserve Energy Transport FZCO,
Represented by its Authorised Representative,
Mr.Lucas Jayakumar,
Unit 2502 Uptown Tower, Plot No.DMCC-UD-P1,
Uptown Dubai, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

... Applicant

Vs.

Owners and Parties interested in the Vessel
M.V.Adsun Genesis(IMO No.9503366)
A vessel flying the Indian Flag
together with her hull, tackle, engines,
machinery, boats, bunkers, equipment,
paraphernalia and all other appurtenances
Presently lying at Chennai Port Tamil Nadu,
in Indian territorial Waters, and
represented by its Master.

... Defendant

For Petitioner : M/s.Deepika Murali



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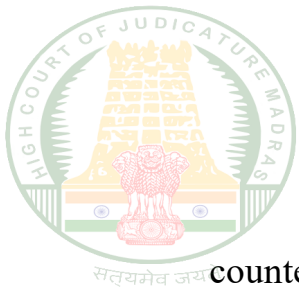
ORDER

This application has been filed for arrest and sale of the vessel M.V.Adsun Genesis, having IMO No.9503366, flying the Indian flag, now lying at Chennai at Chennai Port Tamil Nadu within the jurisdiction of this Court.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the applicant and carefully perused the materials available on record.

3. The applicant received an e-mail dated 17.07.2025 from Hardy Exploration and Production India INC, which is related entity of Svetah Energy seeking for commercial proposal for supply of bunkers to the respondent vessel.

4. On 18.07.2025, the purchase order was issued by Svetah Energy to the applicant for delivery of bunker on the respondent. The applicant also confirmed the bunker nomination on 20.07.2025. The bunker was delivered to the respondent and the bunker delivery note was



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countersigned on behalf of the Master of the Vessel.

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5. Pursuant to the above, invoice was issued by the applicant on the owner of the vessel and also on Svetah Energy, wherein the due date for payment was indicated as 18.09.2025. The applicant was following up with the respondent as well as Svetah Energy for recovering the amount and at least through three communications dated 30.09.2025, 16.10.2025 and 31.10.2025, there was acknowledgement of liability by Svetah Energy. However, the payment was not forthcoming.

6. Left with no other alternative option, the demand notice was issued by the applicant for the suit claim on 03.11.2025 and the suit has been filed to recover an amount of a sum of USD 2,99,734.57 along with interest and also for arrest of vessel.

7. The present application has been moved on the ground that the vessel is presently lying at Chennai Port and except for this security, the applicant will not be in a position to recover the amount.



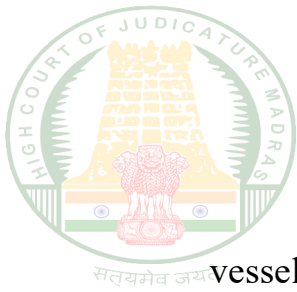
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8. The learned counsel for the applicant in order to satisfy this Court that this Court has jurisdiction to entertain the present suit and application, relied upon Section 4(1)(l) of the Admiralty (Jurisdiction and Settlement of Maritime Claims) Act, 2017 [for brevity 'the Act'] which defines the term 'goods'. The learned counsel also relied upon the definition of 'maritime lien' under Section 4(1)(w) of the Act. The learned counsel submitted that since the respondent vessel is currently in the Chennai Port, in terms of Section 3 and 5 of the Act, this Court has jurisdiction to order arrest of the respondent vessel as the applicant claims a maritime claim under the Act, for which the owner of the respondent vessel was liable for.

9. This Court finds that a *prima facie* case has been made out, more particularly, since that there is no dispute on the liability and it has been admitted as could be seen from various correspondences made by the Svetah Energy, which originally issued the purchase order on 18.07.2025 for deliver of bunker on the respondent.

10. Accordingly, there shall be a direction for arrest of the



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vessel M.V.Adsun Genesis, having IMO No.9503366, flying the Indian flag, now lying at Chennai at Chennai Port Tamil Nadu along with her hull, engines, gears, tackles, bunkers, machinery, apparel, plant, furniture, fixtures, appurtenances and paraphernalia, plant and machinery.

11. Notice to the respondent returnable by 07.01.2026. Private notice is also permitted. Learned counsel for the applicant is permitted to serve notice through e-mail also.

List this case on 07.01.2026.

03.12.2025

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