

W.P.(MD).No.7223 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 20.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

W.P(MD)No.7223 of 2023

and

W.M.P(MD) Nos.6812 and 6814 of 2023

- 1.Rengammal
2. Abipunnisha
3. Ajeera Beevi
4. Queen Elizabeth
5. Hawabeevi
6. Devika

... Petitioners

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
Office of the District Collector,
Tiruchirappalli District.
2. The Commissioner,
Trichy Municipal Corporation,
Tiruchirappalli City.
3. The Assistant Commissioner,
The Assistant Commissioner Office,
Ko.Abhisekapuram Zone,
Tiruchirappalli City.

... Respondents



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PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents herein from in any manner disturbing the peaceful conduct of street vending business by the petitioners herein situated at nearby Main Gate, Adjacent to Compound Wall of Mahatma Ganthi Government Hospital, Ko.Abhisekapuram Zone, Tiruchirappalli City and by considering the petitioners representation dated 07.02.2023.

For Petitioners : Mr.B.Jameel Arasu

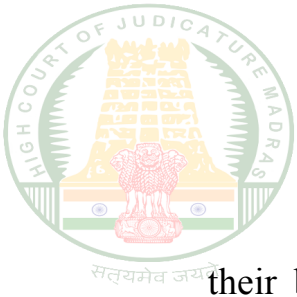
For R1 : Mrs.D.Farjana Ghoushia
Special Government Pleader

For R2 & R3 : Mr.J.Sai Prasad
For M/s.R.B.Law Associates

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed by six street vendors seeking a Mandamus directing the respondent Municipal Corporation not to disturb their street vending business.

2. A perusal of the records reveal that the respondent Corporation has issued street vendor identity card to all the petitioners and they are running



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their business near Main Gate, Adjacent to Compound Wall of Mahatma
Gandhi Government Hospital, Ko.Abhisekapuram Zone, Tiruchirappalli City.

3. The respondent has filed a counter to the effect that the petitioners are running their shop in the foot path meant for pedestrians and though they have removed the encroachments, they have again put up their shops in the footpath. Therefore, they have to be removed and the prayer sought for in the writ petition cannot be granted.

4. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

5. Admittedly, the petitioners have been granted street vendors license by the respondent Municipal Corporation. Therefore, it is clear that they are protected under Section 3 of the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act 2014. Admittedly, so far they have not been provided with any alternative site.



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6. In view of the above said facts, the respondents herein are restrained from evicting the writ petitioners without following the procedures as contemplated under the above said Act.

7. With the above said observation, this writ petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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