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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 06-04-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. SATHISH KUMAR

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN

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and

W.M.P(MD)No.21829 of 2024

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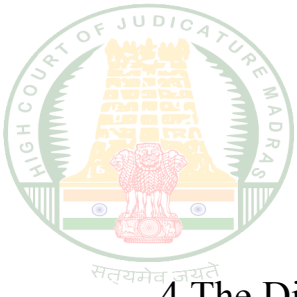
Petitioner

Vs

1.The Principle Secretary,
Industries, Investment Promotion
and Commerce Department,
Secretariat,
St.George Fort,
Chennai - 600009.

2.The Managing Director,
State Industries Promotion Corporation of
Tamil Nadu (SIPCOT) Limited,
19A, Rukmani Lakshmipathy Road,
Egmore,
Chennai - 600008.

3.The Secretary,
Health and Family Welfare Department,
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4. The District Collector,
District Collectorate Campus,
Thanjavur,
Thanjavur District – 613 010.

5. The Revenue Tahshildar,
Office of the Revenue Tahshildar,
Budalur,
Thanjavur District – 613 402.

6. The District Health Officer,
Public Health and Preventive Medicine,
Thanjavur,
Thanjavur District – 613 004.

7. The Administrative Officer / Tahsildar,
Mahama Gandhi Memorial T.B and
Chest Diseases Sanatorium Hospital,
Sengipatti,
Thanjaur – 613 402.

Respondents

For Petitioner:

Dr.R.Alagumani

For Respondents:

Mr.A.Kannan (R.1 & R.3 to R.7)
Additional Government Pleader
Mr.R.Viduthalai
Senior Counsel for R.2

Prayer:

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to effective steps to retain the Thanjavur District, Sengipatti Mahatma Gandhi memorial Tuberculosis Sanatorium hospital and attached campus land compressing 220 acres in Sengipatti and Palayampatti South, villages in Budalur Taluk in



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Thanjavur District to be utilised only for the Medical and Public Health purpose, and renovate all wards, administrative block, Kitchen and all building and fence the entire campus, as per The Tamil Nadu Tuberculosis Sanatoria (Regulation of Building) Act, 1947, and ensure sufficient Doctors, Nurses and other all medical staffs strength for effective functioning of hospital and ensure quality medical care to the poor people in accordance with the law within the time stipulated by this Court.

ORDER

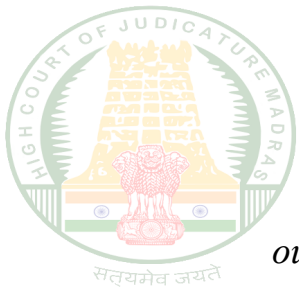
(Order of the Court was made by N.Sathish Kumar J.)

When the matter came up for hearing on 25.10.2024, this Court passed the following order:

“A T.B. Sanatorium was established in Sengipati and Palayapatti South Villages in the year 1951. A N.G.O. was formed with the District Collector, Thanjavur, as the Chairperson and the said Sanatorium is functioning in about 220 Acres of land as of today.

2. Though originally, 488 Acres of land was allotted to the Institution, a major portion of the land has been transferred to SIDCO and certain portion has been transferred to Indian Oil Corporation and for a Food Processing Unit. The Sanatorium is being run in the remaining 220 Acres.

3. It is the claim of the petitioner that efforts are being taken to transfer the remaining land also for commercial purposes and to close down the Sanatorium. This apprehension of the petitioner, in



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our opinion, is justified by the replies given by the Executive Officer of the Sanatorium, who is also a Tahsildar, refusing to divulge any information about the same claiming that it is the Institution running on it's own funds. We are sure that the status of the Institution is being misquoted by the authorities. Hence, there will be an order of interim injunction restraining the respondents from transferring any portion of the land, in which, the Sanatorium is functioning as of today, until further orders.

4. Notice.”

2. When the matter is taken up for hearing today, the fourth respondent/District Collector has filed a status report.

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

4. A perusal of the status report clearly indicates that the Tuberculosis Sanatorium is presently functioning only in an extent of about 131.83 acres. The extent proposed to be transferred to SIPCOT is 181.63 acres.



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5. In such view of the matter, the interim injunction granted by this Court on 25.10.2024 is confined to an extent of 131.83 acres, including 9.23 acres comprising the existing buildings in which the Tuberculosis Sanatorium is functioning. In respect of the remaining extent, the interim injunction stands vacated.

6. Post the matter on **09.06.2026**.

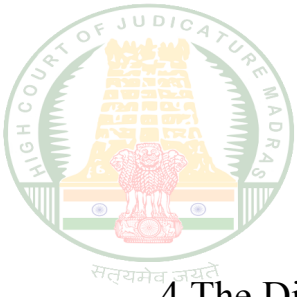
(N.SATHISH KUMAR J.) (M.JOTHIRAMAN J.)
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