

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Civil) No(s).5251-5256/2013

(From the judgement and order dated 24/01/2013 in WP No.30326/2011, WP No.18404/2012, MPSR No.141156/2012, MPSR No.141185/2012, MPSR No.144182/2012, MPSR No.144183/2012 of The HIGH COURT OF MADRAS)

R.VEERMANI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF TAMILNADU TH.CHIEF SECY & ORS

Respondent(s)

(With appln(s) for exemption from filing c/c of the impugned Judgment, permission to file lengthy list of dates and prayer for interim relief and office report)

Date: 31/01/2013 These Petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL R. DAVE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAMAJIT SEN

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UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

These special leave petitions are directed against the order passed by the Madras High Court, dismissing the petitioner's Writ Petition No.30326 of 2011 and several other writ petitions and miscellaneous petitions, in regard to the decision taken by the Government of Tamil Nadu to shift the functioning of the Legislative Assembly from its location at Anna Salai to its previous site at Fort St. George.

Appearing in support of the Special Leave Petitions, Mr. T.R. Andhyarujina, learned senior counsel, urged that there was no justifiable reason for such shifting of the Assembly premises and such shifting had been undertaken on account of a change in the Government and not in the public interest.

Mr. Andhyarujina pointed out that the reason given by the

High Court for dismissing the writ petition was not sustainable, on account of the fact that the purported decision taken to utilize the building at Anna Salai as a Multi-Speciality Hospital, was not very convincing, since there was a fully-equipped hospital within a distance of about two kilometers from the location of the Assembly building at Anna Salai.

Having heard Mr. Andhyarujina and having considered the matter, we are of the view that a decision taken by an elected Government at the Executive level, is not for this Court to interfere with, unless such decision is either contrary to or adversely affects the public interest.

In the present case, we do not find such a ground available to the petitioner, who appears to be a public-spirited citizen, as well as an Advocate of the Madras High Court. In our view, the reliefs sought by the petitioner in the writ petitions, have to be pursued in some other forum where the subject matter of the complaints of the petitioner can be gone into. We, therefore, see no reason to interfere with the impugned judgment of the Madras High Court.

The Special Leave Petitions are, accordingly, dismissed, but there will be no order as to costs.

|(Chetan Kumar)
|Court Master

|(Juginder Kaur)
|Assistant Registrar

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