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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 15-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE DR JUSTICE G. JAYACHANDRAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE N. MALA

WP No. 27237 of 2026

AND

WMP NO. 29820 OF 2026, WMP NO. 29821 OF 2026

S.Ammu @ Sarala Marget
W/o.T.Sankar,
No.56/4, Police Commissioner office Road,
Egmore, Chennai-600 008

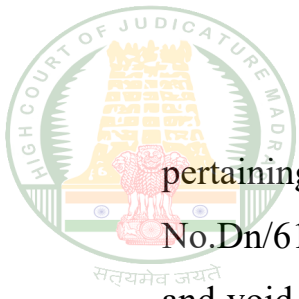
..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. the Executive Engineer
Zone-V, Greater Chennai Corporation,
No.61, Basin Bridge Road,
Chennai-600 021
2. the Executive Engineer
zone-V, Greater Chennai Corporation,
No.61, Basin Bridge Road,
chennai-600 021
3. the Assistant Engineer
Zone-V, Division-61
Greater Chennai Corporation,
No.23, Driver Street, Pudupet,
Chennai-600 002.
4. S.Muthusamy
S/o.Late.Shanmugam,
No.61, Genga Reddy Street,
Egmore, Chennai-600 008

..Respondent(s)

Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India
praying for issuance of a writ of certiorarified mandamus to call for the records



pertaining to the impugned notice issued by the 2nd respondent having notice No.Dn/61/ 53/ 2025 dated 12.01.2026 and quash the same as arbitrary, illegal and void and subsequently direct the 1st to 3rd respondents not to demolish the house of the petitioner situated at Door No.56/4, Police Commissioner office Road, Egmore, Chennai-600 080

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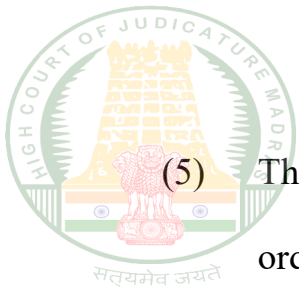
For Petitioner(s): M.Muralidharan

For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Gopinathan, St.C. For R1 To R3

Order

(Order of the Court was made by Dr.G.Jayachandran J.)

- (1) Mr.S.Gopinathan, learned Standing counsel accepts notice on behalf of the respondents 1 to 3. Since no adverse order is passed against the 4th respondent, notice to the 4th respondent is dispensed with.
- (2) By consent, the main writ petition itself is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.
- (3) The petitioner herein, challenging the Demolition Notice issued by the 2nd respondent on the ground that the notice suffers arbitrariness, illegality and hence, void.
- (4) According to the writ petitioner, she is the absolute owner of the building bearing Door No.56/4, Police Commissioner Office Road, Egmore. On a complaint by the 4th respondent, the official respondents initiated proceedings for removal of the structure which is in possession of the petitioner's family for more than 150 years.



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(5) The learned counsel for the writ petitioner submitted that the impugned order is a non-speaking order and passed in haste without affording sufficient opportunity to the petitioner.

(6) The learned Standing counsel appearing for the respondents 1 to 3 submitted that the writ petitioner has not come to the Court with clean hands and not placed the facts in entirety. Earlier, when the Demolition Notice was issued vide proceedings dated 16.06.2025, the writ petitioner along with two others, approached this Court by filing WP.No.28986/2025, seeking a certiorarified mandamus, to quash the said Demolition Notice issued under Section 56 of the Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act, 1971. After hearing the submissions of the respondents, the writ petition was disposed of by the Hon'ble First Bench of this Court, by permitting the petitioners 2 and 3 therein, to submit a detailed representation to the 2nd respondent therein, within a period of ten days and on receipt of the said representation, the 2nd respondent was directed to examine the same on merits and to pass appropriate orders thereafter. Subsequently, on 31.12.2025, notice for inspection under Form-2 was issued to the petitioners therein including the petitioner herein, fixing 05.01.2026 as the date of inspection. After inspection and ascertaining that the structure is without planning permission, the Corporation has issued Form-3 notice on 12.01.2026, directing the writ petitioner to discontinue the use of the building within 30 days and



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remove the structure. Since the writ petitioner has not removed the structure, a reminder notice was issued on 18.06.2026, informing the petitioner that if the owner or the occupant failed to discontinue the use of the land, the authority will proceed with Lock and Seal action.

- (7) From the records and the affidavit, we find that the structure which the petitioner wants to protect, is admittedly without Planning Permission. While so, the authorities, after affording sufficient opportunity and on inspection, had issued the Lock and Seal notice being satisfied that the structure cannot remain without Planning Permission. Hence, we find no merit in the present writ petition to interfere with the order impugned, which has been passed after affording due opportunity to the petitioner and the very fact that the building stands without permissions speaks for itself and no further detail is required in the impugned order.
- (8) Accordingly, the writ petition stands **dismissed**. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

(G.J.,J.) (N.M.,J.)
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