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IN THE COURT OF SUBDIVISIONAL MAGISTRATE AT KARAIKAL

ORDER

[Under Section 144 (1) of Cr.P.C.]

M.C. No. 271/2019, dated 31-07-2019

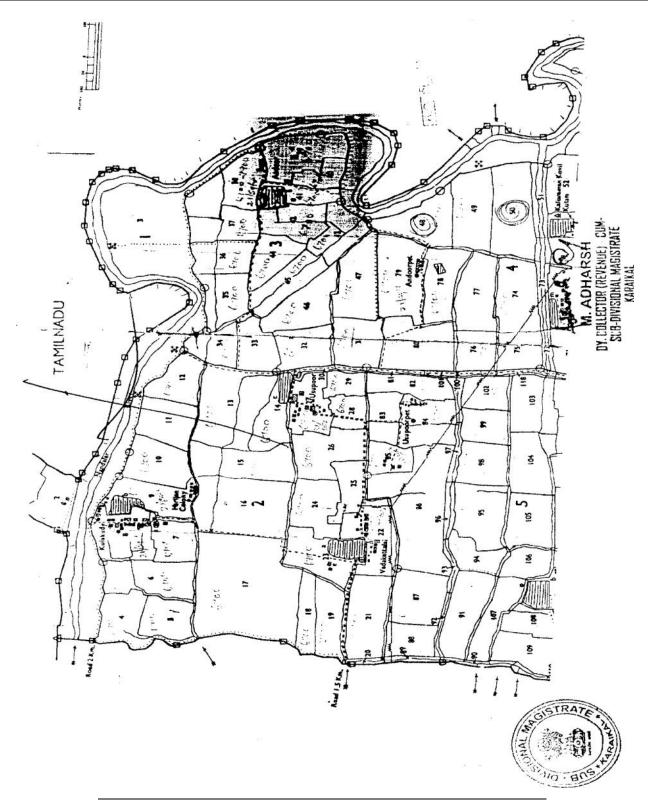
Whereas, a report was received from the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Thirunallar, quite often stating that frequent illegal sand mining had been taking place from the Government Land bearing R.S.No. 3 for an extent of 24 hectares located in the Kulakkudy Village under the Ponbethy Revenue Village, along stretch of Government Poramboke Land with rich deposits of the alluvial soil along the banks of the Nandalar River in Kulakkudy Village starting from the Kulakkudy Bridge all along the right bank of the Nandalar River till the junction of the Kottagam Road, in Thirunallar Taluk.

2. And whereas, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Thirunallar, along with the Deputy Tahsildar (Excise and Sand mining) and Revenue Inspector concerned have conducted frequent raids to apprehend the offenders of illegal sand mining to impound the vehicles used for that purpose, seize the quantum of sand illegally mined so as to levy compounding fine on the offenders.

- 3. Whereas, frequent raids on the field concerned by the revenue officials are yet to yield some results since the instances of illegal sand mining is still recurrent and a menace in deed, because the offenders flee away from the site on spotting out enforcement squads and again resume their illegal activities within a day or two. In general, the offenders appear to be under the impression that it is their right to take away the sand from Government Land.
- 4. Whereas, continuous excavation of sand from the bank of Nandalar River in this especially notified area along side the Kulakkudy Village would cause dangerous and devastating floods by the breach of the banks of the river during the seasonal Monsoon that may wash away the hamlets and standing crops in that area.
- 5. Whereas, it has been made to appear to me that there are sufficient grounds for proceeding under section 144 (1) of Cr. P.C. to prevent imminent danger to the lives and properties of the citizen and uphold public safety and order in the areas of jurisdiction under the Ponbethy Revenue Village covering Andoor and Kulakkudy hamlets. Hence, it is necessary that special provisions under section 144 Cr.P.C is invoked to take action in order to prevent imminent danger to the lives and properties of the citizen and uphold public safety.
- 6. Now, therefore, I, M. Adharsh, Subdivisional Magistrate, Karaikal, also going through the information laid before me and also after satisfying myself of the need for prohibition of certain activities, do hereby direct to-
 - (i) prohibit the unlawful entry of public from entering into the Government Land under R.S.No. 3 to an extent 24 hectares sprawled along the bank of Nandalar River in the Kulakkudy Village under the Ponbethy Revenue Village, along the stretch of Government Poramboke Land with rich deposits of the alluvial soil along the banks of the Nandalar River starting from the Kulakkudy Bridge all along the right bank of the Nandalar River till the junction of the Kottagam Road in Thirunallar Taluk, for any purpose of excavation and transporting of sand from that land .
 - (ii) all activities of laying unauthorised brick kiln with production of bricks all along the prohibited land on the river bank of Nandalar are also prohibited by this order with immediate effect.
 - (iv) all vehicular movements of motorized, non-motorised four wheelers and even bullock carts are prohibited in that land notified above for a period of two months from the date of issue of this order or till any further orders passed by the competent authority revoking this Prohibitory Order as per law which ever is earlier.
 - (v) this order will however not restrict the vehicular movements for religious and funeral procession in that area.
- 7. Criminal proceedings will be initiated against the offenders under section 188 IPC found violating and disobeying the Prohibitory Orders issued by this Court.

Given under my hand and Seal of this Court on 31-07-2019.

M. Adharsh,
Subdivisional Magistrate, Karaikal.



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