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#### IN THE COURT OF THE SUBDIVISIONAL MAGISTRATE (SOUTH) AT VILLIANUR

*Present* : Thiru SHASHVAT SAURABH, I.A.S.,  
Subdivisional Magistrate (South).

**M.C. No. 09/2019**

**ORDER**

(UNDER SECTION 144 OF Cr. P.C.)

Whereas, the Director of Adi Dravidar Welfare Department, Puducherry, has informed that illegal sand mining is being carried out through bullock cart by the villagers of Odiyampet and surrounding areas at R.S. No. 248/8 of Odiyampet Revenue Village belonging to Adi Dravidar Welfare Department, Puducherry;

And whereas, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Villianur, has informed that illegal sand mining is being carried out at the banks of Sankaraparani River, through bullock cart by the villagers of Odiyampet, Manalipet, Kunichampet, Koodapakkam, Olavaikal and Sellipet at (i) R.S. No. 255 of Odiyampet Revenue Village, (ii) R.S. No. 42/4 of Manalipet Revenue Village, (iii) R.S. No. 1/1 of Kunichampet Revenue Village, (iv) R.S. Nos. 173/5, 169, 170/1, 147, 149 of Koodapakkam Revenue Village, (v) R.S. Nos. 92, 93, 96, 134 of Olavaikal Revenue Village and (vi) R.S. No. 76/11 of Sellipet Revenue Village, respectively;

And whereas, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Villianur, along with Revenue Officials, has made efforts to curb illegal sand mining by establishing 24\*7 Check Posts at Odiyampet and Pathukannu . Further, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Villianur, has also excavated deep ditches in the way which leads to the Government Land adjacent to the river to prevent the bullock carts and other vehicles entering the Government land for illegal sand mining. Instead of this, the people from the nearby Villages are entering into the land and illegally mining sand from the areas surrounding the Sankaraparani River belt and at the Government Poramboke land at (i) R.S. No. 255 of Odiyampet Revenue Village, (ii) R.S. No. 248/8 of Odiyampet Revenue Village, (iii) R.S. No. 42/4 of Manalipet Revenue Village, (iv) R.S. No. 173/5 of Koodapakkam Revenue Village, (v) R.S. No. 134 of Olavaikal Revenue Village and (vi) R.S. No. 76/11 of Sellipet Revenue Village. This continued and indiscriminate illegal sand mining using bullock carts on daily basis, further, they were unmindful of the safety concerns have rendered the land with numerous deep holes. During monsoon, it may get filled with water and becomes death holes for the passers by crossing the river;

And whereas, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Bahour, has informed that illegal sand mining is being carried out through bullock cart by the villagers of Soriyankuppam and surrounding areas and near Thenpennai River and the Government Poramboke land at R.S. No. 202 of Kuruvinnatham Revenue is being used by the illegal sand mining mafias;

And whereas, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Bahour, has made efforts to curb illegal sand mining by establishing 24\*7 Check Post at Periyar Nagar and at Thookanampakkam. Further, with the assistance of Public Works Department, the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Bahour, has also established cattle traps and dug big grooves in the pathway of the river to stop the bullock carts entering for illegal sand mining. Instead of this, the people from the nearby villages are entering into the land and illegally mining sand from the areas surrounding the river belt and at the Government Poramboke land in R.S. No. 202 at Kuruvinnatham Revenue Village. This continued and indiscriminate illegal sand mining by hundreds of bullock carts on daily basis unmindful of the safety concerns have rendered the land with numerous deep holes in the river bed;

And whereas, in spite of regular raids made by the Revenue Officials and Police Officials, the illegal sand mining activity could not be curtailed as the persons engaged in this activity are under the impression that it is their right to take sand. During raids, on seeing the Revenue Officials the illegal sand miners would run away from the site. This has increasingly become a menace. Mining of sand in the Government lands cause irreparable damage to the land, affecting the environment, ecosystem and leads to depletion of ground water level. Hence, the Government land needs to be protected through strong measures;

And whereas, complaints has been received from 1031 and L.G. Portal that illegal sand mining is taking place at various places at, Konerikuppam, Pillayarkuppam, Soriyankuppam, Kuruvinnatham, Sellipet, Odiyampet, Kanuvapet, Manalipet, Villages surrounding the river belts of Sankaraparani and Thenpennai Rivers;

And whereas, a complaint has been received from one Thiru Kannaiyachetti, that illegal sand mining is taking place in his land at R.S. No. 292/4 of Odiyampet Revenue Village. The illegal sand miners are mining sand from his land by removing the casuarinas trees planted in the said land. Many similar kind of petitions have been addressed to the undersigned regarding illegal sand mining from many private lands also;

And whereas, I am satisfied, based on the information placed before me and other facts which are available to me, the situation in the aforesaid lands is likely to cause a threat to the public safety, endangering the environment, ecosystem and lead to depletion of Ground water level and in my opinion, there is sufficient ground for proceeding under section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and immediate prevention is imperative;

Now, therefore, based on the reasons stated above, I, Shashvat Saurabh, I.A.S., Subdivisional Magistrate (South), Villianur, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 144 of Cr.P.C. do hereby prohibit lorry, van, two wheelers, bullock carts and any other similar load carrying vehicles (except the vehicles relating to funeral) from entering into the areas surrounding the Sankaraparani River and Thenpennai River and the Government Poramboke land comprised at (i) R.S. Nos. 255, 248 of Odiyampet Revenue Village, (ii) R.S. No. 42/4 of Manalipet Revenue Village, (iii) R.S. No. 1/1 of Kunichampet Revenue Village, (iv) R.S. Nos. 173/5, 169, 170/1, 147, 149 of Koodapakkam Revenue Village, (v) R.S. No. 92, R.S. Nos. 93, 96, 134 of Olavaikal Revenue Village, (vi) R.S. No. 76/11 of Sellipet Revenue Village and (vii) R.S. No. 202 of Kuruvintham Revenue Village for a period of two months from the date of this order or until any further orders are passed by the competent authority revoking this prohibition as per law, whichever is earlier;

Any person contravening this order shall be punished under section 188 of IPC.

At Villianur, dated this 01st day of February 2019.

**SHASHVAT SAURABH, I.A.S.,**  
Subdivisional Magistrate (South).