



A.S.No.106 of 2014

S.S. SUNDAR, J. C.KUMARAPPAN, J.

[Order of the Court was made by S.S. SUNDAR, J.]

This Court, in earlier order dated 27.04.2023, observed that the Superintendent of Police, Tamil Nadu Finger Print Bureau, after examining 10 admitted sample thumb impressions, expressed his opinion that the thumb impressions in admitted documents are not clear enough for comparison as they are highly smudged. Therefore, this Court directed the Advocate Commissioner to hand over the documents to Central Forensic Science Laboratory, Hyderabad, Telengana, in person and get its opinion by following the requisite formalities.

2. Now, the Director of Central Forensic Science Laboratory, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, by a communication dated 06.06.2023, has stated that the Central Forensic Science Laboratory does not undertake the exercise of comparing thumb impressions or finger prints, and therefore, the sealed cover sent through the Advocate Commissioner, Mr.T.A.Shagul Hameed, is returned unopened.

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3.It is in the said circumstances, this Court directs the Advocate Commissioner to take the appellant herself to the Tamil Nadu Finger

Print Bureau, Chennai, in person, for comparison of her thumb

impression with the disputed thumb impressions found in the documents.

Para No.4 of the order dated 27.04.2023 shall be read into this order with

necessary modifications.

4. The Advocate Commissioner is directed to collect the documents containing the disputed Finger Prints and to personally take the appellant to the Tamil Nadu Finger Print Bureau, Chennai, after getting prior

appointment. The Tamil Nadu Finger Print Bureau, Chennai, is directed

to compare the thumb impressions and give its opinion.

5.Learned counsel for the appellant is directed to inform his client

to cooperate with the Advocate Commissioner for this exercise. Till this

exercise is complete, the Advocate Commissioner is permitted to retain

the original documents containing disputed thumb impressions of the

appellant. The Advocate Commissioner shall produce this order for

getting the report from the Tamil Nadu Finger Print Bureau on the

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aforesaid aspects, at the earliest.

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6.A copy of this order shall also be marked to the Tamil Nadu Finger Print Bureau, Chennai.

7. Post the matter after two weeks.

(S.S.S.R., J.) (C.K., J.) 12.06.2023

Note to Registry: Issue order copy on 13.06.2023.

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Copy to:

The Superintendent of Police (FP), Tamil Nadu Finger Print Bureau, 95, Santhome High Road, Raja Annamalaipuram, Chennai – 600 028.

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