

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

**CIVIL APPEAL NOS. /2025
[@ SLP(C)No.16543/2024]**

S. CHANDRAN & ORS.

APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

HENRI TIPHAGNE & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

**CIVIL APPEAL NOS. /2025
[@ SLP(C)No.16666/2024]**

O R D E R

1. Leave Granted.

2. These appeals by way of special leave are against the interim order dated 15.07.2024 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras in Writ Petition (MD) No. 10526/2021. By the said order, the High Court directed an inquiry by Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Department of the State. Questioning the legality and validity of the interim directions in the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case involving multiple inquiries and reports, the appellants invoked jurisdiction of this Court under Article 136 of the Constitution. While issuing notice, this Court stayed the operation of the judgment till further orders.

3. Ms. Nitya Ramakrishnan, learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents submits that the interim order of the High Court, impugned before us can be set aside and the High Court

may be requested to dispose of the writ petition. The appellants have no objection to the disposal of these appeals, if the interim directions are set aside and the High Court allowed to proceed with the hearing of the writ petition.

4. In view of the above, we allow the appeals in part, set aside the interim order dated 15.07.2024. A request is made for a direction to dispose of the writ petition expeditiously. While we do not consider it appropriate to pass such directions, we leave it to the parties to make such a representation before the High Court and it is for the High Court to take a decision on such request and pass appropriate orders.

5. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

.....J.
[PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA]

.....J.
[JOYMALYA BAGCHI]

NEW DELHI;
APRIL 30, 2025

ITEM NO.10

COURT NO.11

SECTION XII

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 (C) No(s). 16543/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 15-07-2024 in WPMD No. 10526/2021 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras] JUDGMENT

IA No. 61161/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

S. CHANDRAN & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

HENRI TIPHAGNE & ORS.

Respondent(s)

WITH

SLP(C) No. 16666/2024 (XII)

FOR ADMISSION and I.R.

IA No. 164723/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

Date : 30-04-2025 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA
 HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI

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Mr. Veshal Tyagi, Adv.
Mr. Rahul Narang, Adv.
Mr. Nihar Dharmadikari, Adv.

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

1. Leave granted.
2. Appeals are allowed in part in terms of the signed order.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(INDU MARWAH)
AR-cum-PS

(NIDHI WASON)
COURT MASTER (NSH)

(Signed order is placed on the file)