IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.01.2026

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,
CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

W.P.Crl.Nos.1700, 1701, 1702, 1704 and 1706 of 2025
andWP MP Crl. Nos.794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802 and 803 of 2025

I.Periyasamy
S/o.Late Irulappa,
No.35/28, Durairaj Nagar, Ward-3,
Murugan Koil street, Govindapuram,
Dindigul, Tamilnadu-624 001.

Petitioner in WP Crl.No.1700 of 2025

P.Indra
W/o.Dwarakanathan,
Door No.27, Vallal Nagar,
1st Street, Govindapuram West,
Dindigul, Tamil Nadu - 624 001.

Petitioner in WP Crl.No.1701 of 2025

Irulappa Mills India Private Limited
Rep. by its Director, I.Prabhu,
S.F.No.314/7A, Dindigul Batlagundu High way,
Sevugampatti Village, Pattiveeranpatti Post,
Dindigul, Tamilnadu-624 001.

Petitioner in WP Crl.No.1702 of 2025

Dwarakanathan
W/o.Late Sanmugasundaram,
Door No.27, Vallal Nagar,
1st Street, Govindapuram West,
Dindigul, TamilNadu - 624 001.

Petitioner in WP Crl.No.1704 of 2025

I.P.Senthilkumar
S/o.I.Periyasamy,
No.5, Alagiri Gownden Pudur,
Seelapadi Post, Dindigul,
Tamil Nadu-624 001

Petitioner in WP Crl.No.1706 of 2025

Vs

1.Directorate of Enforcement,
Chennai Zone-II, Government of India
Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue
No.16, Greams Road, BSNL Building, Tower II,
3rd Floor, Thousand Lights West
Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006
Rep. by its Deputy Director.

2.The Chairperson
Adjudicating Authority,
Prevention of Money Laundering,
New Delhi.

Respondents
in all WPs

PRAYER: Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of certiorarified mandamus calling for the records relating to the impugned ECI No.ECIR/CEZO-II/17/2025 dated 23.07.2025, impugned application OA No.269 of 2025 filed by 1st respondent under Sec.17(4) of the Prevention of Money Laundering

Act, 2002 dated 27.09.2025 and consequent impugned show cause notice dated 27.09.2025 in OA No.269 of 2025 issued by the 2nd respondent u/s.8(1) of Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 against the petitioner and his family members before the 2nd respondent, quash the same as illegal, consequently direct the respondents herein to return all the documents, records and digital devices seized on 16.8.2025 by the 1st respondent.

For Petitioners: Mr.K.Muthuganesa Pandian

For Respondents: Mr.P.Siddharthan
Special Public Prosecutor
for ED Cases

COMMON ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

Though number of grounds have been raised by the petitioners in these cases, we find that the order of provisional attachment has not so far been confirmed by the Adjudicating Authority, notices issued and matter is pending consideration.

Reserving the petitioners' rights to raise all the objections, which may be available under law, in the proceedings before the Adjudicating

Authority, all these writ petitions are dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, interim applications stand closed.

(MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA, CJ) (G.ARUL MURUGAN,J)
05.01.2026

Index : Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
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To:

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