From

Date 23/01/2024

D.Devasahayam S/o.Devaraj No.19/3, Nambi Naidu Street Srivilliputhur

To

- The Commissioner of Police Madurai City
 Madurai.
- The Director General of Police KamarajarSalai
 Chennai-600 028
- 3. The DirectorCentral Bureau of Investigation26, Haddows RoadChennai-600 006
- 4. The Director/Zonal officer
 Enforcement Directorate
 ThabalThanthi Nagar Main Rd,
 ThabaalThanthi Nagar,
 Madurai- 625017

Respected Sir,

Sub: Complaint regarding criminal conspiracy, cheating, forgery and misappropriation of money, committed to the tune of 1200 crores by

illegally selling and leasing out 31 acres 10 cents of highly valuable city land in Thallakulam Village, Madurai Taluk and Madurai District, belonging to Church of South India, by Adv. C. FernandasRathina Raja, who was holding the post of Registrar of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese, presently holding the post of General Secretary, Church of South India, and Mr.JohnsonIsrel, who was holding the post of Property officer of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese, and presently holding the post of Secretary, Madrai-Ramnad Diocese and certain others.

I am a true Christian by faith and member of Church of South India and Madurai-Ramnad Diocese. I am also the President of Christian Reformation People Association and I am working for the protecting the properties, institutions and genuine interest of Church of South India and genuine believers of Church of South India.

I state that highly valuable land viz. all that land measuring Ac.31-10 cents comprised in S.No.163/C (9.75 Acres), 163/B (1.60 acres), 163/G (13.75 acres) and S.No.334 (6 acres) present Town Survey Nos.6/2, 3,4,5& 6 etc. situated in Thallakulam Village, Madurai Taluk and District was originally allotted by State Govt. to American Mission represented by Mr.E.M.Swift, which was a Christian Religious institution. The said land was allotted by the State Govt. to the said American Mission following the request of the then office bearer of American Mission specifically for the purpose of establishment of industrial homes, for poor women and women destitutes, and educating them on sewing, lace making, embroidery, gardening, poultry and dairy farming, book binding and weaving etc. and enabling them to have self-employment. For the said noble object, the State Govt. issued an allotment order dated 19.11.1912 allotting the said 31.10 acres of land to American Mission which later, after independence of India, merged with Church of South India-Madurai-Ramnad Diocese.

Madurai-Ramnad Diocese is one among the 24 Dioceses under the control of Church of South India. Church of South India, CSI Synod is the supreme body controlling all 24 Dioceses including Madurai-Ramnad Diocese. As such, Church of South is having control over all 24 Dioceses spread in the State of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and also a portion of Sri Lanka. Church of South India is having similarly placed properties worth 7 lakhs crores and as this property situates within the limits of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese.

The accused persons Adv. C. FernandasRathina Raja, who was holding the post of Registrar of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese, presently holding the post of General Secretary, Church of South India, and Mr.JohnsonIsrel, who was holding the post of Property officer of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese, and presently holding the post of Secretary, Madrai-Ramnad Diocese, have conspired with each other and certain other persons and hatched a criminal conspiracy for making illegal gains by selling away a large chunk of the said land, and also constructing commercial complex and receiving hundreds of crores as pagadi (illegal deposit of amount) from merchants.

In so far as the above said 31.10 acres of land is concerned, the accused persons, viz. Adv. C. FernandasRathina Raja, who was holding the post of Registrar of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese during 2007-2008 and his co-accomplice Mr.JohnsonIsrel, who was holding the post Property Officer during 2007-08, have created the following sale deeds to and in favour of third parties:

- 1. Sale deed dated 04.02.2008 registered as document No.569 of 2008, SRO Thallakulam, to and in favour of S.Hussain Abdul Khader
- Sale deed dated 15.02.2008 registered as document No.928 of 2008,
 SRO Thallakulam, to and in favour of M/s.Shreyas Foundation
- 3. Sale deed dated 15.02.2008 registered as document No.928 of 2008, SRO Thallakulam, to and in favour of M/s.IIFL Realty Limited

The said persons are instrumental in such illegal transactions and they have made false representations to the Church of South India and Church of South India Trust Association (CSITA) and through the then Bishop of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese and treasurer Mr.G.V.SavariRoyan, created false deeds in favour individuals and real estate company known as M/s.IIFL Realty Limited. The said accused persons have prepared/created the above documents for sale and they have also signed the said documents as witnesses in their capacity as property officer and Registrar of Madurai-Ramnad Diocese. They have received several crores of rupees in black from the said purchasers and enriched themselves illegally.

The said Adv.C.FernandasRathina Raja and Mr.JohnsonIsrel have conspired with each other and various other persons and hatched multiple criminal conspiracies and suppressed the fact that the said land had been allotted by the State Govt. to the American Mission, which is now managed by the Church of South India for the purpose of industrial home for poor and destitute women only. By suppressing such facts, the said persons have sold 13.27 acres of land to and in favour of IIFL Realty Limited. Apart from the above, other sale deeds have also been registered in the name of S.Hussain Abdul Khader and others.

Further the said accused persons have constructed more than 344 shops and received more than 100 crores i.e. Rs.30 lakhs per shop as pagadifrom merchants and granted lease of such shops for a period of 99 years. This is virtually sale of the Church property. By doing so, the said persons have committed fraud and cheating to the tune of hundreds of crores. The value of the said entire property is worth more than 1200 crores as of today.

In this regard, I filed writ petition W.P.(MD) No.24352 of 2022 before the Hon'ble High Court, and the Hon'ble Division Bench passed final orders dated 13.12.2022 and directed the Commissioner of Land Administration, Chepauk, Chennai to conduct an enquiry regarding the serious acts of fraudulent sale,

transfer and illegal developments of the above said land measuring 31.10 acres, by the accused persons.

Subsequent to the orders passed by the Hon'ble Division Bench, the Commissioner of Land Administration, has now passed a detailed order dated 11.01.2024, in Proceeding No.Proc.No.F2/1378022/2022 and taken over possession of the entire land. The 344 shops fraudulently constructed by the aforesaid persons and leased out for 99 years in favour of hundreds of merchants have been ordered to be transferred in favour Corporation of Madurai.

Further regarding certain other crimes and illegal acts of constructing profit making institutions, a committee has been formed constituting Chief Educational Officer, Joint Director of Employment, District Social Welfare Officer, etc. in respect of the institutions established in the said lands.

Hundreds of innocent persons have believed the false representations made by the said persons and taken on 99 years lease of shops constructed in the above lands belonging to Church of South India (formerly American Mission). Hundreds of innocent families have purchased flats. Now the said flat purchasers are facing serious hardship and loss as the said property has been taken by the Tamil Nadu State Govt. vide order of Commissioner of Land Administration dated 11.01.2024.

By virtue of the above illegalities committed by the said Adv. C. FernandasRathina Raja and Mr.JohnsonIsrel and certain other persons, a huge fraud to the tune of 1200 crores have been committed. If proper police enquiry is conducted from shop lessees and flat owners concerned and real estate dealers, the huge quantity of illegal gains made by the said persons to the tune of hundreds of crores will come to light.

The accused persons are involved in various other crimes and they have caused sale to the tune of several hundreds of crores from the above property belonging to the Church of South India and enriched themselves. They are indulging in money laundering also for the purpose of protecting their illegally earned hundreds of crores of money. Both the said persons have acquired huge landed properties as well as gold from the looted money in their names as well as names of their family members. The said assets should be immediately attached and acquired by the police authorities.

Therefore I request you to initiate criminal prosecution against the aforesaid persons and punish them in accordance with law, for the offences of 120-B, criminal conspiracy, cheating, fraud, and misappropriation of money, suppression and impersonation, land grabbing etc. punishable under Section 406, 415, 420, etc. IPC., immediately.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully

(D.Devasahayam)

Enclosure:

- 1. Govt. order of allotment dated 29.11.1912 allotting the aforesaid land for the specific purpose of establishment of homes for women/destitutes with condition that Govt. will resume the land in the case of violation
- 2. Sale deed dated 04.02.2008 registered as document No.569 of 2008, SRO Thallakulam, to and in favour of S.Hussain Abdul Khader
- 3. Sale deed dated 15.02.2008 registered as document No.928 of 2008, SRO Thallakulam, to and in favour of M/s.Shreyas Foundation
- 4. Sale deed dated 15.02.2008 registered as document No.928 of 2008, SRO Thallakulam, to and in favour of M/s.IIFL Realty Limited
- 5. Order passed by the Hon'ble Division Bench of Madras High Court in W.P.(MD) No.24352 of 2022 filed by the complainant
- 6. Order dated 11.01.2024 passed by the Commissioner of Land Administration, Chepauk, Chennai, resuming the entire land measuring 31.10 Acres