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THE HON'BLE CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY,J.

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

The petitioner, appearing in person, has placed on record a communication received by him on 15.5.2023 clarifying that the office of the Deputy Inspector General has not received any application for establishment of an Elephant Rehabilitation Centre in Sadivayal lowland in Coimbatore District. It is further clarified in the said letter that the operation of the Elephant Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, M.R.Palayam, Trichy, is in contravention of Section 38-H of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and it does not have recognition.

2. Dr.T.Seenivasan, learned Special Government Pleader (Forests), placed on record a government order dated 19.6.2023 sanctioning an amount of Rs.8 Crore for setting up a new Elephant Camp at Sadivayal in Coimbatore District with necessary facilities



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3. According to the petitioner, appearing in person, the same is in contravention of the Act of 1972 and the Rules. The application has never been made to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. No permission is yet sought.

4. Learned Special Government Pleader (Forests) seeks time to take instructions in the matter. It is further submitted by him that no more elephants will be moved to the Elephant Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, M.R.Palayam, Trichy.

List the matter on 3.1.2024.

(S.V.G., C.J.)

(D.B.C., J.)

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