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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-03-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

WP No. 8616 of 2026

Abdul Munaf

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector
   District Collectorate,
   Cuddalore District.

2. The District Revenue Officer
   The Office of the District Revenue Officer,
   District Collectorate,
   Cuddalore District.

3. The Sub Collector
   Office of the Sub Collector
   Chidambaram,
   Cuddalore District.

4. The Tahsildar
   office of the Tahsildar
   Chidambaram
   Cuddalore District.

5. Arulmigu Shir Thillaimannan Temple
   Rep. by its Trustee
   Shir Thillaiamman Temple,
   Chidambaram, Cuddalore District.

6. The Commissioner
   Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
   Department,
   Uthamar Gandhi Salai,
   Nungambakkam, Chennai-34.

..Respondent(s)

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Directing the respondents 1 to 4 to issue patta in respect of the property bearing Door No.65/27/ F /1,Labbai Street, Chidambaram Municipal Limit, Ward 3, Block No.5, comprised in TS No.249/4 measuring an extent of 2000 sq.ft in favour of the petitioner as sought vide representation lastly dated 08.08.2025.

For Petitioner: Mr.I.Kowser Nissar

For Respondents: Mr.D.Ravichander,
SGP For R1 to R4
Mr.K.Karthikeyan,
for R5 and R6 (HR and CE)

Order

This writ petition has been filed to direct the official respondents to issue separate patta in the name of the petitioner for the property, morefully disclosed in the prayer to this writ petition, based on the petitioner's last representation dated 08.08.2025.

2.The petitioner claims that he traces the title over the property from the year 1931. According to the petitioner, the predecessor in title had exchanged the subject property, which earlier belonging to the temple and by the exchange of land with the temple, the predecessor in title became the owner of the larger extent of land. Thereafter, through subsequent conveyances, the petitioner has now become the owner of the property, morefully disclosed in the prayer to this writ petition. The petitioner seeks for issuance of separate patta in his name for

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the property, morefully disclosed in the prayer to this writ petition. The petitioner had given several representations and the last such representation was given on 08.08.2025 to the official respondents seeking for transfer of patta in his name. Since the same was not considered, the petitioner has filed this writ petition.

3.Mr.D.Ravichander, learned Special Government Pleader accepts notice on behalf of respondents1 to 4. Mr.K.Karthikeyan, learned Standing Counsel accepts notice on behalf of respondents 5 and 6.

4.No prejudice would be caused to the respondents if the petitioner's representation, as stated supra, is considered, on merits and in accordance with law, after hearing the objections of respondents 5 and 6 and any other third party whom the fourth respondent deems it fit to enquire, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

5.This Court is not expressing any opinion on the merits of the petitioner's representation.

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6.For the foregoing reasons, this writ petition is disposed of by directing the fourth respondent to pass final orders, on merits and in accordance with law on the petitioner's representation dated 08.08.2025 seeking for issuance of separate patta in the name of the petitioner for the property, morefully disclosed in the prayer to this writ petition, after giving due consideration to the supporting documents filed by the petitioner and after hearing the objections of respondents 5 and 6, within a period of 12 weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

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