



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 07-08-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR

WP No. 15241 of 2026

and

WMP No.16433 of 2026

1. Elizabeth VanCamp nee Daniel,
D/o. Mr.Joshua Daniel,
Resident of USA Presently in Chennai and
Ordinarily a resident at
No.9B Nungambakkam High Road,
(Presently Known as
Dr.Thirumurthy Nagar Road,
Behind Ranjith Hotel, Nungambakkam,
Chennai -600 034.

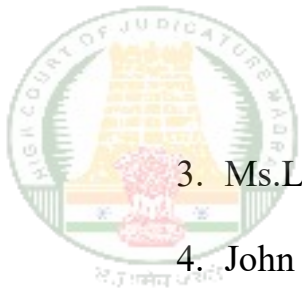
US Address PO Box -2317
South Bend in 46680-2317

2. Mr. Joseph Joe Daniel,
S/o. Late Mr.Joshua Daniel,
Resident of USA,
1469 Morning Glory Road, NE,
Albuquerque -NM 871 22.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector
Collectorate 4th Floor,
M. Singaravelar Maaligai,
62, Rajaji Salai,
Chennai Collectorate, Chennai-1
2. District Social Welfare Officer,
District Social Welfare Office,
South Chennai,
Singaravelar Maligai, Chennai-01



3. Ms.Lydia Daniel

4. John Daniel

..Respondent(s)

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Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus to direct the 1st Respondent to take up the application of the petitioner dated 18.11.2025 and decide the same in accordance with the provisions of the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 and the Tamil Nadu Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Rules 2009.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.Ravikumar Paul for
M/s..PAUL AND PAUL

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Nandakumar, AGP for RR1 and 2

Mr.R.Shanmugasundaram,
Senior Advocate for
Mr.R.Vinayaga Vishnu for RR3 and 4

ORDER

The petitioners seek a direction to the first respondent to consider and dispose of their application dated 18.11.2025 in accordance with the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 and the Tamil Nadu Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Rules, 2009.

2. The first petitioner is the sister and the second petitioner is the brother of respondents 3 and 4. The grievance of the petitioners is that they submitted an



application dated 18.11.2025 under Sections 21 and 22 of the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007, read with Rule 20 of the Tamil Nadu Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Rules, 2009, seeking protection of their lives and property. However, the first respondent has not yet taken any decision on the application.

3. The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for respondents 1 and 2 submits that the application submitted by the petitioners will be considered in accordance with law within the time stipulated by this Court.

4. Recording the said submission, the Writ Petition is disposed of with a direction to the first respondent to consider the application dated 18.11.2025 on its own merits and in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity of hearing to respondents 3 and 4, within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The connected miscellaneous petition is ordered subject to payment of separate court fee, if not already paid. There shall be no order as to costs.

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