



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27-05-2026

CORAM

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE G. R. SWAMINATHAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

W.P. No. 20070 of 2026

Dhasthagiri, S/o Kansa,
No 1006/2 Bus stand street,
Valavachanur village,
thandarampattu Taluk,
Thiruvnamalai

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector
Office of District Collectorate,
Thiruvannamalai District.
2. The Superintendent Of Police
Thiruvannmalai District,
Thiruvannamalai
3. The Revenue Divisional Officer
Revenue Divisional Office,
Thiruvannamalai
4. The Director
Thiruvannamalai District,
Urban Development Office,
Thiruvannmalai
5. The Block Development Officer
Thandarampattu Division,
Thiruvannamalai
6. The Tahsildar
Thandarampattu Taluk Office,
Thiruvannamalai.



7. The Assistant Director
Mines and Minerals office,
First Floor, Thandampattu,
Thiruvannmalai
8. The Inspector of police
Thandampattu Police station,
Thandampattu, Thiruvannmalai
9. The Village Administrative officer
Kottaiyur, Thandampattu,
Thiruvannmalai
10. The sub Inspector of Police
Vanapuram Police station,
Thandampattu, Thiruvannmalai
11. Mariyasamy
Velavachanur Villagem
Thiruvannmalai District
12. Rajasekar
Kottaiyanur Panchayat office,
Kottaiyanur, Thiruvannmalai

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: The Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India to issue a writ of mandamus, directing the respondent 1 to 10 to take action against the illegally transports the river sand in Thenpennai River situated at Thandampattu Taluk thiruvannmalai District based on the petitioner's representation dated 25.11.2025 and fix the time frame.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. M.Selvam

For Respondent(s): Mr. L.S.M. Hasan Fizal
Additional Government Pleader for R5



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Mr.C.R.Malarvannan
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu
(Criminal Side) for R1 to R4 and R6 to R9

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.)

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, Mr.L.S.M.Hasan Fizal, learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the 5th respondent and Mr.C.R.Malarvannan, learned counsel appearing for the respondents 1 to 4 and 6 to 9.

2. The writ petitioner is a resident of Valavachanur Village, Tiruvannamalai District and alleges that illegal sand mining is rampantly going on in the Thenpennai River, which is close to his residence. Since no action was taken on his complaint, the present writ petition has been filed.

3. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned counsel appearing for the respondents submitted that the Tahsildar, Thandarampattu, has issued an enquiry notice to the concerned parties. Therefore, we direct the 6th respondent/ Tahsildar to conclude the enquiry and pass appropriate orders, on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of three (3) weeks thereafter.



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4. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

(G.R.S.,J.) (V.L.N.,J.)
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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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