



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 31-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE A.D.MARIA CLETE

O.P.No.604 of 2025

1.VIDYAKUMARI BADRINARAYANAN
W/o.Late Badrinarayanan Gopalkrishnan,
704, Pinewood A Wing, Prestige Residency,
Waghbil Naka, Ghodbundar Road,
Kasarvadavali, Thane 400615.

2. Chandru Badrinarayanan
S/o. Late Badrinarayanan Gopalkrishnan,
B-1801, Lake Primrose Apt, Lake Homes, A.S
Road, Near Powai Vihar, Powai,
Mumbai 400 076.

3. D.Kavitha
D/o. Late Badrinarayanan Gopalkrishnan,
No.S F 02, A Block Ajantha Prime Apartment,
Hosur Road, Beratena Agrahara,
Bengaluru 560 100.

4. Satish Badrinarayan Alias Satish
Badrinarayanan S/o. Late Badrinarayanan
Gopalkrishnan, 227/229, Gear School Road, Opp.
Hoysal Apartment, Doddakannalli, Carmelaram,
Bengalore 560 035.

..Petitioners

Vs

No Respondent Nil

... Respondent.

OP No.604 of 2025: Original Petition filed praying, that the Letters of Administration without the Will to the properties and credits of the deceased named herein may be granted to the 1st petitioner, Page 1 of 4OP No. 604 of



2025 wife of the deceased, having effect throughout the whole of Union of India. Gross amount of Rs.2,13,87,549/- and Net Amount of Rs.2,13,82,549 Suc.duty of Rs.25,000/- paid on 20.11.2025 by e-C/F D.No.44219/2025.

For Petitioner(s):

M/s.Vinithra Srinivasan

ORDER

This Original Petition has been filed under Sections 218 and 278 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925, read with Order XXV Rule 5 of the Original Side Rules, seeking Letters of Administration, without a Will, in favour of the first petitioner in respect of the estate of late Badrinarayanan Gopalkrishnan.

2. The deceased, husband of the first petitioner and father of petitioners 2 to 4, died intestate on 25.11.2024 at Mumbai. At the time of his death, he was ordinarily residing at Thane, Maharashtra.

3. The petitioners are the only legal heirs of the deceased. Petitioners 2 to 4 have filed consent affidavits consenting to the grant in favour of the first petitioner.

4. The estate comprises a flat at Anna Nagar West, Chennai, and the deceased's undivided interest in a flat at Thane, Maharashtra, standing jointly in



the names of the deceased and the second petitioner.

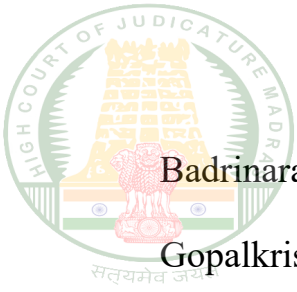
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5. The second petitioner was examined as P.W.1 before the learned Master. He deposed that the deceased died intestate and that no Will was found despite diligent search. Exs.P1 to P17 were marked. General citations were published in the Tamil daily “Makkal Kural” on 29.01.2026 and in the English daily “Trinity Mirror” on 05.02.2026. No objection or caveat has been filed. The petition is uncontested.

6. Though the deceased neither resided nor died within the jurisdiction of this Court, part of his immovable estate is situated within its Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

7. Pursuant to the order dated 23.06.2026, the petitioners have explained that the properties at Chennai and Thane form part of one estate and that no application for a grant concerning the same estate has been filed before any other Court. As jurisdiction is attracted by the presence of part of the estate within Chennai, a single grant may be issued in respect of the estate disclosed in the petition.

8. Accordingly, this Original Petition is **allowed**. Letters of Administration shall be issued in favour of the first petitioner, Vidyakumari



Badrinarayanan, in respect of the properties and credits of late Badrinarayanan Gopalkrishnan described in the petition, including his undivided right, title and interest in the Thane property, to have effect throughout India.

9. The first petitioner shall execute a security bond for Rs. 25,000/- in favour of the Assistant Registrar (Original Side). She shall file a full and true inventory of the estate within six months from the date of the grant and render a true account of its administration within one year thereafter. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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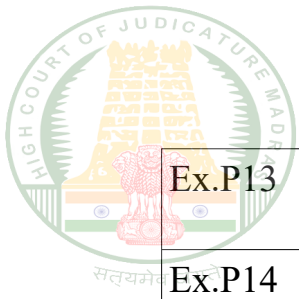
Petitioner's witness:

P.W.1 – Mr.Chandru Badrinarayanan

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Documents exhibited by the petitioner:

<i>Exhibits</i>	<i>Documents</i>
Ex.P1	Computer generated death certificate of Mr.Badrinarayanan Gopalakrishnan along with certificate under Section 63 of BSA
Ex.P2	Photocopy of the sale deed dated 09.02.1998 executed infavour of Mr.Badrinarayanan (compared with the original)
Ex.P3	Photocopy of the construction agreement dated 01.02.1998 entered into between M/s.Inland Estate and Mr.G.Badrinarayanan(compared with the original)
Ex.P4	Photocopy of the share certificate of Prestige Residency Pinewood Cooperative Housing Society Ltd., bearing certificate No. 28, stands in the name of Mr.Gopalakrishnana Badrinarayanan and Chandru Badrinarayanan (compared with the original)
Ex.P5	Photocopy of the registered agreement dated 18.01.2006 entered between M/S.Hopewell Builders Private Limited stands in the name of Mr.Gopalakrishnan Badrinarayanan and Chandru Badrinarayanan(compared with the original)
Ex.P6	Photocopy of the Aadhaar card of the 1 st petitioner (compared with the original)
Ex.P7	Photocopy of the pan card of the 1 st petitioner (compared with the original)
Ex.P8	Photocopy of Chandru Badrinarayanan's Aadhaar card (compared with the original)
Ex.P9	Photocopy of Chandru Badrinarayanan's pan card (compared with the original)
Ex.P10	Photocopy of the Aadhaar card of the 3 rd petitioner (compared with the original)
Ex.P11	Photocopy of the pan card of the 3 rd petitioner (compared with the original)
Ex.P12	Photocopy of the Aadhaar card of the 4 th petitioner (compared with the original)



Ex.P13	Photocopy of the pan card of the 4 th petitioner (compared with the original)
Ex.P14	Computer generated water tax bill dated 26.07.2024 in the name of MR.G.Badrinarayanan along with certificate under Section 63(4) (C) of BSA
Ex.P15	Copy of the paper publication effected in one issue of Tamil Daily “Makkal Kural” dated 29.01.2026
Ex.P16	Copy of the paper publication effected in one issue of English Daily “Trinity Mirror ” dated 05.02.2026
Ex.P17	The affidavit of assets showing the net value of the estate as Rs. 2,13,82,549/-.

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