



W.A.(MD) No.173 of 2026

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 13.02.2026

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE G.JAYACHANDRAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN**

**W.A.(MD) No.173 of 2026
and
C.M.P.(MD) No.1782 of 2026**

1.Ramesh

2.R.Chandran

3.Thavamani

4.Pragalathan

... Appellants

-VS-

1.A.Mokkamayan

2.The District Collector
Madurai District

3.The Superintendent of Police
Madurai District

4.The Tahsildar
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5.The Revenue Divisional Officer
Usilampatti
Madurai District

6.The Inspector of Police
Uthapanayakkanur Police Station
Madurai District

7.The Sub Inspector of Police
Uthapanayakkanur Police Station
Madurai District

... Respondents

Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent to set aside the order, dated 03.02.2026, passed in W.P.(MD) No.2877 of 2026 and W.M.P. (MD) No.2374 of 2026, on the file of this Court.

For Appellants : Mr.Kannan Gurusami

For Respondents : Mr.N.Dilip Kumar for R1
Mr.S.P.Maharajan
Special Government Pleader for R2, R4 & R5
Mr.K.Gnanasekaran
Govt. Advocate (Criminal Side) for R3, R6 & R7



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J U D G M E N T

[Judgment of the Court was made by DR.G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.]

This writ appeal is filed by the respondents 7 to 10 in the writ petition being aggrieved by the order of the learned Single Judge directing the revenue authorities to remove the communal stone inscription installed in the public chavadi situated on the Government poramboke land in Survey No. 189/5 of Ayyanarkulam Village, Usilampatti Taluk, Madurai District.

2. According to the appellants herein, the said land is in enjoyment of their community people and without any notice, attempt was made to remove the stone inscription from the said land.

3. On the other hand, Mr.N.Dilip Kumar, learned counsel, who takes notice for the first respondent, on instructions, submits that the revenue records clearly indicate that the subject land is a Government poramboke land and whereas, the appellants herein are trying to make an exclusive claim over the subject land by fixing a stone inscription as if the subject land belongs to their community people.



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4. Learned counsel appearing for the appellants concedes that the public chavadi situates in a Government poramboke land, over which the persons of all community people have right and therefore, there is no illegality in fixing the stone inscription by their community people.

5. This Court had a privilege of looking at the communal stone inscription, which is now directed to be removed by the learned Single Judge, and it reads as below:

“அய்யனார் குளம்
உலகாயி மக்கள்
இரண்டு தேவர்
வகையறாக்களுக்கு
பாத்தியப்பட்ட
மந்தை”

6. The above inscription shows that the public chavadi is owned by the communities mentioned therein and it is *per se* contrary to the candid admission of the learned counsel for the appellants that the subject land is a public land owned by the Government. By a criminal trespass, placing a communal stone inscription in the public land will not confer any title or right to a particular community people. Trespassers are to be removed forthwith



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and penal action is to be taken against the attempt to grab the public land by force. Therefore, we find that this writ appeal is devoid of merits.

7. Accordingly, this writ appeal is dismissed. The official respondents are directed to carry out the directions issued by the learned Single Judge in the order dated 03.02.2026 in W.P.(MD) No.2877 of 2026 forthwith. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

[G.J., J.] [K.K.R.K., J.]

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