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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 27.05.2026

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE P.VADAMALAI**

**W.P.(MD)No.14382 of 2026
and
W.M.P(MD)No.10812 of 2026**

Karuppiah

... Petitioner

-VS-

1.The District Collector,
Theni District.

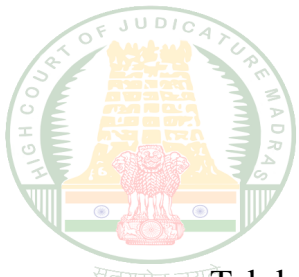
2.The Assistant Director of Panchayat,
Theni District.

3.The Block Development Officer,
Veppampatti Village Panchayat,
Chinnamannur Panchayat Union,
Theni District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to restore the existing channel/stream running to Chikkanagounden Kanmail by way of renovating and desilting it, for the proper discharge of rain water into the Kanmai situated in S.No.248/5 in Veppampatti Village, uthamapalayam

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Taluk, Theni District by considering the representation dated 11.05.2026 and 25.05.2026.

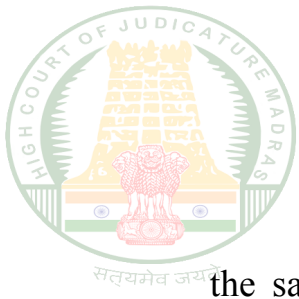
For Petitioner : Mr.S.Saravana Kumar
For Respondents : Mr.R.Parthiban
Counsel for State of Tamilnadu

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA,J.)

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents to restore the existing channel/stream leading to Chikkanagounden Kanmai by renovating and desilting the same, so as to ensure proper discharge of rainwater into the Kanmai situated in Survey No.248/5, Veppampatti Village, Uthamapalayam Taluk, Theni District, by considering the petitioner's representations dated 11.05.2026 and 25.05.2026.

2.The case of the petitioner is that Veppampatti Village falls under Chinnamanur Block, which is under the control and administration of the third respondent. The village consists of several acres of agricultural lands and contains a Kanmai known as "Sikkana Goundan Kanmai." During the rainy season, a stream runs from west to east and thereafter turns towards the north from the south, ultimately discharging water into



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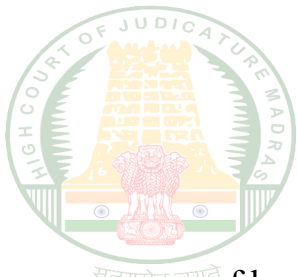
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the said Kanmai. The stream is situated in Survey No.248/5 and runs along the Panchayat road before being discharged through the road at the northern end beyond the land comprised in Survey No.248/6A.

3. According to the petitioner, due to the inaction and negligence of the respondents, the portion of the stream running from south to north has become obliterated and has not been desilted or renovated till date. In this regard, the petitioner submitted representations to the respondents. Since no action has been taken, the present Writ Petition has been filed.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that restoration and desilting of the stream are necessary for the proper flow of rainwater and that representations dated 11.05.2026 and 25.05.2026 were submitted to the respondents. Since no action has been taken on the said representations, the petitioner has approached this Court by filing the present Writ Petition.

5. The learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondents submitted that the petitioner's representations were received only recently on 11.05.2026 and 25.05.2026, and that an enquiry would be conducted and the representations would be considered and disposed



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of by the third respondent within a period of two weeks.

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6. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this Court directs the third respondent to consider the petitioner's representations dated 11.05.2026 and 25.05.2026 and pass appropriate orders on merits and in accordance with law within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

7. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

[A.D.J.C., J.] [P.V.M., J.]
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