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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 15.06.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Irulappan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Revenue Officer,
District Revenue Office,
Thoothukudi District.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Revenue Divisional Office,
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District.

3.The Tahsildar,
Tahsildar Office,
Kayathar Taluk Office,
Thoothukudi District.

4.Kirushnasamy alias Kirushana

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the first respondent to consider and dispose of the petitioner's representations dated 02.10.2025 and 12.05.2026 seeking entry of the name of the petitioner's deceased father, namely, Sanmugaiya, S/o.Vel Thevar, in the A Register (UDR) in



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respect of Survey No.58/5D1, situated at Vellalankottai Revenue Village, Kayathar Taluk, Thoothukudi District within a stipulated time that may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ponraj

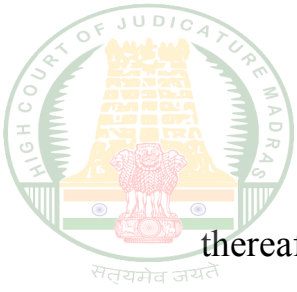
For R1 to R3 : Mr.K.Saravanan
Counsel for the Government of Tamilnadu

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the first respondent to consider and dispose of the petitioner's representations dated 02.10.2025 and 12.05.2026.

2. In the said representations, the petitioner is seeking to enter the name of the petitioner's deceased father, namely, Sanmugaiya, S/o.Vel Thevar, in the UDR and the 'A' Register in respect of Survey No.58/5D1 situated at Vellalankottai Revenue Village, Kayathar Taluk, Thoothukudi District.

3. The contention of the petitioner is that the property comprised in Survey No.58/5D measuring an extent of 1 Acre and 28 Cents was purchased by the petitioner's grandmother, namely, Perumathal and

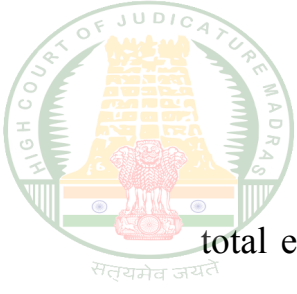


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thereafter, the said Perumathal along with her husband, namely, Vel Thevar, was in possession and enjoyment of the same. They were having two sons, namely, Kirushnasamy alias Kirushana and Shanmugaiya Thevar. The said Shanmugaiya Thevar is the petitioner's father and the said Kirushnasamy alias Kirushana, the fourth respondent herein, is the brother of the petitioner's father.

4. According to the petitioner, after the demise of the petitioner's grandmother, the name of the brother of the petitioner's father, namely, Kirushnasamy alias Kirushana, alone was erroneously entered in the revenue records. It is the further case of the petitioner that though the petitioner's father was equally entitled to inherit the property of his parents, the official respondents omitted to include his name in the revenue records. Hence, the petitioner is seeking to enter the name of the petitioner's father in the UDR, the 'A' Register and the Patta.

5. The learned counsel appearing for the Government of Tamil Nadu, on written instructions dated 12.06.2026 in Na.Ka.Aa2/1816/2026 issued by the Tahsildar, the third respondent herein, submitted that the petitioner's grandmother had purchased only 3 cents of land out of the



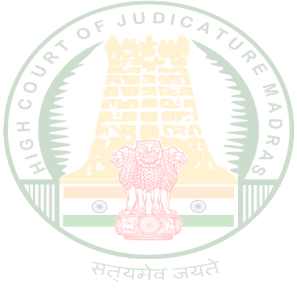
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total extent of 1 Acre and 58 Cents comprised in Survey No.58/5D. The

relevant paragraph from the said written instructions is extracted

hereunder:

“மனுதாரர் 1550/1953-ஆம் கிரைய ஆவணத்தின்படி வெள்ளாளன்கோட்டை கிராம புல எண் 58/5D-ல் 1 ஏக்கர் 28 சென்ட் நிலத்தை அம்மையப்பிள்ளை சண்முகசுந்தரம் பிள்ளை என்பவரிடமிருந்து வேலுத்தேவர் மனைவி பெருமாத்தாள் என்பவர் (மனுதாரர் தந்தை வழி பாட்டி) பெற்ற கிரைய ஆவணத்தின் வில்லங்கச்சான்றில் புல எண் 58/5D-ல் 1 ஏக்கர் 28 சென்டில் மேல்பக்கம் சென்ட் 3ம் கிணறு மற்றும் ஜலத்தில் 3-ல் 1 பங்கு என மட்டுமே பதிவுசெய்யப்பட்டுள்ளது. அதன் பின்னர் மேற்படி புல எண்ணில் எவ்வித பதிவுகள் பதிவுசெய்யப்படவில்லை என்பது வில்லங்கச்சான்றின் சரிபார்க்கப்பட்டதில் தெரியவருகிறது. அதன் பின்னர் நில உடமை மேம்பாட்டு திட்ட அ பதிவேட்டில் மேற்படி புல எண் 58/5D-ஆனது 58/5D1-ல் 0.49.50 ஹெக்டேர் நிலம் வே.கிருஷ்ணசாமித்தேவர் என்பவர் பெயரில் தாக்கலாகியுள்ளது. மேலும் இவ்வழக்கின் மனுதாரர் இருளப்பன் என்பவர் தனது தந்தை வழி பாட்டியான பெருமாத்தாள் என்பவர் 1953-ஆம் ஆண்டுக்கு கிரைய ஆவணத்தில் புல எண் 58/5D-ல் 1 ஏக்கர் 28 சென்டில் மேல்பக்கம் சென்ட் 3ம் கிணறு மற்றும் ஜலத்தில் 3-ல் 1 பங்கு என மட்டும் பதிவு செய்யப்பட்டுள்ளது.”



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WEB COPY 6. On perusal of the copy of the Sale Deed dated 24.09.1953, it is seen that the petitioner's grandmother purchased an extent of 1 Acre and 28 Cents of land along with well, water, pathway and etc. The relevant portion from the Sale Deed dated 24.09.1953 is extracted hereunder:

“... நான் சுயார் சகிதமாயாகி எழுதி வாங்கியது அனுபவித்து வருகிற அயன் புஞ்சை சர்வே 58 நிர் 5D லெட்டர் ஏக்கர் 1 செண்டு 28ம் இதற்குள் 1.28 இல் மேல் பக்கம் 3 சென்ட் நிலத்திலிருக்கிற கிணறு ஜலம் கமலைத்தடம், கமலை கோப்புக்கட வாய்க்கால் வழி நடை வகையறாக்களில் நிலத்துக்குள்ள சகலவித சகல பாத்தியமும்

7. Therefore, this Court is of the considered opinion that the Tahsildar, the third respondent herein, is totally incorrect in stating that the petitioner's grandmother had purchased only three cents of land, as the document explicitly reveals that the petitioner's grandmother had purchased an extent of 1 Acre and 28 Cents of land and that out of the said extent, a well measuring three cents is situated, in respect of which the petitioner's grandmother is entitled to 1/3rd share in the water. However, the Tahsildar, the third respondent, has erroneously stated that



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the petitioner's grandmother had purchased only three cents of land. It is unbecoming of the Tahsildar, the third respondent, who is incompetent to read the document properly. Therefore, the instructions furnished to the learned counsel appearing for the Government of Tamil Nadu are rejected.

8. Further, the representations submitted by the petitioner seeking to include of the name of the petitioner's father in the UDR, the 'A' Register and the Patta are pending before the first respondent/District Revenue Officer, who is the competent authority. Therefore, the first respondent/District Revenue Officer is directed to include the name of the petitioner's father, namely, Shanmugaiya Thevar, in the revenue records, viz., the UDR, the 'A' Register and the Joint Patta. The said exercise shall be completed within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

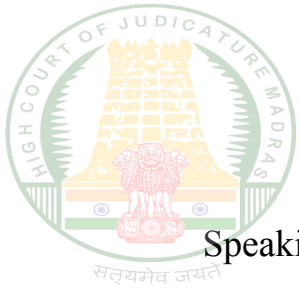
9. With the above observations, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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