



W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 03.07.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026
and WMP (MD) No.13758 of 2026

VRP Mohanraj

... Petitioner(s)

vs.

1. The Secretary to Government,
Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department,
Secretariat,
Fort St. George,
Chennai – 600 009.

2. The Commissioner,
Madurai Corporation,
Anna Maligai,
Madurai – 625 002.

3. The Assistant Commissioner (Revenue),
Madurai Corporation,
Madurai – 625 002.

... Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India,
praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 2 and 3



W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026

WEB COPY

to remove the Lock and Seal of petitioners shops No.336, 357 and 376 situated at Mattuthavani Integrated Vegetable Market, Madurai and pass such further or other orders as this Honble Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case and thus render justice.

For Petitioner : Mr. R. Murugappan
For R2 & R3 : Mr.T.S.Mohammed Mohideen
For R1 : Ms.K.R.Shivashankari, Counsel for State

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing respondents 2 and 3 to remove the lock and seal affixed to the petitioner's Shops Nos.336, 357 and 376 situated at the Mattuthavani Integrated Vegetable Market, Madurai.

2. By consent of both parties, the Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

3. Heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the materials available on record.



W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026

WEB COPY

4.The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was allotted three petition-mentioned shops in the Mattuthavani Integrated Vegetable Market, Madurai. The grievance of the petitioner is that, without issuing any notice or affording an opportunity of hearing, the respondent Corporation enhanced the monthly rent payable in respect of the said shops. It is further submitted that, on account of the alleged arrears of rent, the respondents locked and sealed the petitioner's shops. Aggrieved thereby, the petitioner has filed the present writ petition.

5. Though very many grounds have been raised, the learned counsel for the petitioner further submitted that, it would suffice, if this Court issues direction to the respondent to permit the petitioner to remit the determined amount of Rs.3,47,013/- in respect of each shop in 7 equated monthly installments.

6. In view of the limited request made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court without going into the merits of the case, permits the



W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026

WEB COPY

petitioner to remit Rs.1,41,039/- (Rs.47,013/- x 3 shops) towards the first installment within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The balance demand amount of Rs.9,00,000/- shall be paid by way of Six (6) equated monthly installments, commencing from 7th August, 2026 and shall pay the installments on or before 7th of every succeeding English Calendar month. In the event of default in payment of any installment, it is open to the respondents to initiate appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law.

7. With the above directions, this Writ Petition stands disposed of.

No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

03.07.2026

NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes
PKN



W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026

WEB COPY

To

1. The Secretary to Government,
Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department,
Secretariat,
Fort St. George,
Chennai – 600 009.

2. The Commissioner,
Madurai Corporation,
Anna Maligai,
Madurai – 625 002.

3. The Assistant Commissioner (Revenue),
Madurai Corporation,
Madurai – 625 002.



WEB COPY



W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026

M.DHANDAPANI,J.

PKN

**ORDER MADE IN
W.P(MD)No.18590 of 2026**

DATED : 03.07.2026