

WP(MD). No.19544 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 10/07/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

WP(MD). No.19544 of 2026 and WMP(MD).No. 14445 of 2026

Ramya Devi

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Revenue Officer,  
Virudhunagar District, at Sattur,  
Virudhunagar District..

2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,  
Aruppukottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District..

3. The Tahsildar,,  
Aruppukottai Taluk,  
Virudhunagar District..

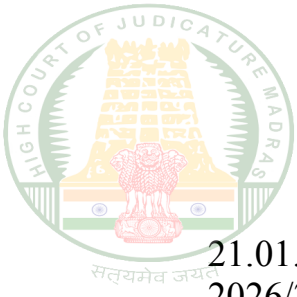
4. P.Chinna Marichamy

... Respondents

PRAYER :-

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India,  
praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for  
the records pertaining to the impugned patta transfer order dated

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21.01.2026 passed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Respondent in his proceedings in T.R. 2026/26/06/000643SD and quash the same and consequently issue direction to the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent to restore the patta No.1007 in favour of the petitioner in respect of Punja Land to an extent of 0.30.20 Hectare in Survey No.9/2A2 in Kullursandhai Villae, Aruppukottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District.

For Petitioner : Mr.Surianarayanan R,  
Advocate.  
For Respondents 1 to 3 : Mr.I. Pinaygash,  
Counsel for State

### ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed to call for the records pertaining to the impugned patta transfer order dated 21.01.2026 passed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent in proceedings T.R.2026/26/06/000643SD, to quash the same, and consequently direct the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent to restore Patta No. 1007 in favour of the petitioner in respect of the punja land measuring 0.30.20 hectares in Survey No.9/2A2, situated at Kullursandhai Village, Aruppukottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned appearing for respondents 1 to 3 / Notice.



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3. According to the petitioner, the impugned order was passed solely on the basis of the application submitted by the 4<sup>th</sup> respondent on 23.12.2025. The impugned order came to be passed on 21.01.2026. A reference to the aforesaid dates itself indicates that no notice was issued to the petitioner before passing the impugned order. Admittedly, no enquiry was conducted by the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent before effecting the transfer of patta. Therefore, the impugned order has been passed in clear violation of the principles of natural justice. Further, a perusal of the impugned order reveals that it is a cryptic and non-speaking order, as no reasons whatsoever have been assigned by the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent for arriving at the conclusion. An order affecting the civil rights of a party cannot be sustained when it has been passed without notice, without enquiry, and without assigning reasons.

4. In view of the above, this Court is inclined to interfere with the impugned order. Accordingly, the impugned order dated 21.01.2026 is quashed, and the matter is remitted to the 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent/Tahsildar for fresh consideration. The 3<sup>rd</sup> respondent shall issue notice to the petitioner



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as well as the 4<sup>th</sup> respondent, afford them adequate opportunity of hearing, conduct a proper enquiry, consider all the relevant documents and submissions made by the parties, and thereafter pass a reasoned order on merits and in accordance with law. The above exercise shall be completed within a period of **twelve (12) weeks** from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is allowed. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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Note: Issue order copy on 15.07.2026

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