



W.P(MD)No.22186 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 06.08.2026

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI**

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Secretary to Government,
The Natural Resources Department,
Chennai.

2.The District Collector,
Sivagangai District,
Sivagangai 630 561.

3.The District Revenue Officer,
Sivagangai District, Sivagangai.

4.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Sivagangai Taluk,
Sivagangai District 630 561.

5.The Tahsildar,
Thiruppathur Taluk,
Sivagangai District.

6.The Block Development Officer,
Thiruppathur Union,
Sivagangai District.

... Respondents



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Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents to stabilize and protect the irrigation feeder channel and the adjoining bund in Survey Nos.82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 and 103 of Karungalakudi Village by considering the Petitioner's representation dated 20.07.2026 and 21.07.2026 within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Ms.C.Geetha

For Respondents : Mr.S.Sivasubramanian,
Government Advocate for R1 to R5.
Mr.S.Selva Aditya,
Government Advocate for R6.

For Intervener : Mr.N.Gurusamy

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Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, the learned Additional Government Pleader for the respondents 1 to 6 and Mr.N.Gurusamy, learned counsel appearing for the intervener.

2.The writ petitioner is a resident of Karungalakudi Village. He



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wants the petition mentioned feeder channel and the water bodies to be preserved and protected. According to him, the water bodies are facing the threat of destruction on account of certain mining activities.

3. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned counsel for the intervener submitted that an application has been submitted seeking permission to quarry in S.Nos.96/3, 96/7, 96/8, 97/2 and 97/3. According to him, the permission is yet to be granted.

4. We looked at the “A” register entries. It is seen therefrom that S.Nos.92/1, 93/1 and 97/1 have been classified as water bodies (Oorani and Kulam). According to the learned Government Advocate, there is no material to show that there are feeder channels. The learned counsel for the petitioner on the other hand asserts that there are feeder channels and they are being obliterated.

5. We direct the District Collector, Sivagangai to apply his mind before granting license. It shall be ensured that the water bodies are maintained intact. On account of the mining activities, the water bodies



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should not face any threat. The distance rule shall be strictly adhered to.

If there are feeder channels, they shall also be taken care and protected.

6.This writ petition is disposed of accordingly. No costs.

(G.R.S.J.) & (B.P.J.)
06.08.2026

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