



W.P.(MD)No.23047 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 13.08.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SOUNTHAR

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Pon.Baskaran,
The President, Kottaiyur Nattar
Ettukkari Vallambar Property
Protection Committee,
Near-Vasantham Maaligai,
Karaikudi Main Road,
Kottaiyur, Karaikudi Taluk,
Sivagangai District.

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,
Sivagangai District,
Sivagangai.
2. The District Revenue Officer,
Sivaganga District, Sivagangai.
3. The Tahsildar,
Karaikudi Taluk,
Sivagangai District.
4. The Revenue Inspector,
Karaikudi Taluk,
Sivagangai District.
5. The Village Administrative Officer,
Sekkarakottai Village,
Karaikudi,
Sivagangai District.



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6. The Secretary,
Doctor Alagappa Chettiyar Educational Trust,
Alagappapuram,
Karaikudi,
Sivagangai District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to subdivide and issue Patta in the name of the “Receiver, Kottaiyur Naattars Trust” for the property measuring an extent of 23.60 acres situated in Survey Nos. 29/1B and 511/1A7 of Sekkaloikottai Village, Karaikudi Taluk by considering the application of the petitioner dated 11.05.2026 along with the consequential report of the 3rd Respondent dated 23.06.2026 in light of the compromise decree in O.P.No. 7 of 1958 on the file of Learned Sub Court, Devakottai dated 20.08.1960 and G.O.MS.775/1960 dated 20th April, 1960, Education and Public Health Department, Tamil Nadu.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Ragavachari,
Senior Counsel for
Mr.T.Antony Arulraj

For Respondents : Mrs.K.Porkodi,
Spl. Govt. Pleader for R1 to R5
Mr.R.Velmurugan for R6

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed seeking a direction to the second respondent to subdivide and issue patta in the name of the Kottaiyur Naattars Trust for the property measuring an extent of 23.60 acres situated in Survey Nos. 29/1B and 511/1A7 of Sekkaloikottai Village,



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Karaikudi Taluk, by considering the application of the petitioner dated 11.05.2026 and the report of the 3rd Respondent dated 23.06.2026.

2. It is the case of the petitioner that Kottaiyur Naattars Trust originally owned 62.30 ares of land in the above mentioned survey number. Out of the total extent, an extent of 38.70 acres was sold to a private firm called 'Karpaga Vinayagar Firm', as per the due order passed by the Court, to settle the outstanding tax arrears. The remaining extent of 23.60 acres was retained by the above mentioned trust. It is also stated by the petitioner that due to internal dispute among Kottaiyur Naattars, with regard to the management of Trust properties, a suit was filed in O.S.No.72 of 1933, on the file of Sub Court, Devakottai and a Receiver was appointed to manage the Trust properties. However, at the time of mutation of revenue records, the entire extent of the land was recorded in the name of 6th respondent College Trust, taking advantage of absence of the Receiver, who died. Therefore, the petitioner as an interested person submitted a representation before the official respondents seeking sub-division of the property retained by the trust and issuance of patta in the name of, the Receiver, Kottaiyur Naattars Trust. The same has not been considered. Hence, the petitioner has come before this Court.



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3. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 5 would submit that based on the representation submitted by the petitioner, the survey of the subject property has been done and now the enquiry is posted on 18.08.2026.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the 6th respondent would submit that he has no objection for sub-dividing the 23.60 acres of land retained by Kottaiyur Naattars Trust and issuance of patta in the name of the said Trust. The said statement is recorded.

5. In the light of the concession made by the learned counsel appearing for the 6th respondent, the scope of the pending enquiry on the file of the second respondent has got reduced. Therefore, taking into consideration that already date is fixed for enquiry, this Court, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the matter, directs the second respondent to complete the enquiry and pass final orders on it's own merits, within a period of six weeks from the date of uploading of the copy of this order.



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6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

No costs.

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