



W.P(MD)No.23062 of 2026

WEB CODE BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 11.08.2026

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.DILIP KUMAR**

**W.P(MD)No.23062 of 2026
and
W.M.P(MD)No.17152 of 2026**

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... Petitioner

vs.

1.The District Collector,
Thanjavur District.

2.The Tahsildar,
Thanjavur Taluk,
Thanjavur District.

3.The Revenue Inspector,
Vallam Circle,
Thanjavur District.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Certiorari thereby call for the records of the impugned notice issued by the third respondent dated 16.07.2026 in Section



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7 of the Tamil Nadu Land Encroachment Act, 1905 dated 16.07.2026 with regard to the S.No.438/1B of Kurungulam, Melpathi Village, Thanjavur Taluk and District and quash the same as illegal.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ganapathi Subramanian

For Respondents : Mr.M.Mahaboob Athiff
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by N.DILIP KUMAR, J.)

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking issuance of a Writ of Certiorari, calling for the records pertaining to the impugned notice issued by the third respondent under Section 7 of the Tamil Nadu Land Encroachment Act, 1905, dated 16.07.2026, in respect of Survey No.438/1B, Kurungulam, Melpathi Village, Thanjavur Taluk and District, and quash the same as illegal.

2.Heard Mr.P.Ganapathi Subramanian, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Mr.M.Mahaboob Athiff, learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents.

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3.It is seen from the records and the submissions made by the learned counsel appearing for the respective parties that the impugned proceedings is only a show cause notice issued under Section 7 of the Tamil Nadu Land Encroachment Act, 1905. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would also submit that the petitioner has already submitted her explanation to the said notice before the competent authority.

4.In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the petitioner is granted liberty to submit one more copy of her explanation, if so advised, before the competent authority. The petitioner is also at liberty to appear before the competent authority and participate in the enquiry and personal hearing, which shall be afforded to her, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5.Upon receipt of the explanation and after affording an opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner, the competent authority



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shall consider the petitioner's submissions and pass appropriate orders, on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of six weeks thereafter.

6.The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of with the above directions. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

[M.D.I.,J.] & [N.D.K.,J.]
11.08.2026

NCC : Yes / No
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