



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 17.06.2022

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.MUNISHWAR NATH BHANDARI, CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE N.MALA

W.P.No.14429 of 2022

A.Ayyandurai

.. Petitioner

Vs

1 The Secretary to Government
Government Land Administration
Secretariat
Chennai - 09.

2 The District Collector
Salem District, Salem.

3 The Sub Collector
Mettur Dam-1
Mettur Taluk, Salem District.

4 The Tashildar
Mettur Dam-1
Mettur Taluk, Salem District.

5 The Commissioner
Panchayath Union Office
Mecheri, Mettur Taluk
Salem District.

6 The Chairman
Panchayath Office
M.N.Patti Village
Mettur Taluk, Salem District.

7 R.Ayyammal

8 M.Alamelu

.. Respondents

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for a writ of mandamus to direct respondents 1 to 6 to remove the encroachment in survey No.29/8A, M.N.Patti Village, Mettur Taluk, Salem District by considering the petitioner's representation dated 29.03.2022.



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For the Petitioner : Mr.G.Punniakoti

For the Respondents : Mr.J.Ravindran
Additional Advocate General
assisted by
Mr.A.Selvendran
Special Government Pleader
for respondents 1 to 5

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

The writ petition has been filed to seek a direction on the respondents 1 to 6 to remove the encroachment made by respondents 7 and 8 on the land belonging to the temple.

2. The petitioner has failed to show his locus to seek a direction for removal of encroachment on the land belonging to the temple. If at all anybody can be aggrieved by the encroachment on the land, it is the temple. The present petition though not a public interest litigation, the locus becomes relevant and the petitioner has failed to show his locus standi to maintain the writ petition alleging encroachment by the private respondents on the land belonging to the temple.

3. We do not find the petition to be maintainable and, accordingly, it is dismissed. There will be no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS VIII)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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+1cc to Mr.G.Punniakoti, Advocate, S.R.No.36485
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