



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 29.04.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

W.P. (MD) .No.9164 of 2022

P.Karuppusamy

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Commissioner of Land Administration,
O/o. The Commissioner of Land Administration,
Ezhilagam,
Chepauk,
Chennai-5.
- 2.The District Collector,
O/o. The District Collectorate,
Madurai District.
- 3.The District Revenue Officer,
O/o. The District Revenue Office,
Madurai District.
- 4.The District Adi Dravidar Welfare Officer,
O/o. The District Adi Dravidar Welfare Office,
Madurai District.
- 5.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Melur Taluk,
Madurai District.
- 6.The Special Tahsildar,
Adi Dravidar Welfare,
Madurai District.
- 7.The Tahsildar,
Melur Taluk,
Madurai District.

...Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct all the respondents to issue assignment order to the petitioner in respect of Panjami land comprised in Survey No.165/2 admeasuring an extent of 2 acres and 50 cents situated in Keeranur Village, Pooniuthi Post, Melur Taluk, Madurai District based on the



petitioner's representation dated 22.04.2022 within a stipulated time that may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.A.S.Prabhu

For Respondents : Mr.M.Lingadurai,
Special Government Pleader.

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed for a Mandamus seeking for a direction to the respondents to issue assignment order to the petitioner in respect of Panjami land comprised in Survey No.165/2 admeasuring an extent of 2 acres and 50 cents situated at Keeranur Village, Poonjuthi Post, Melur Taluk, Madurai District based on the petitioner's representation dated 22.04.2022, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

2. The case of the petitioner is that he has been doing agricultural activities in the aforementioned property for more than 20 years. According to him, the aforementioned lands are panjami lands. He has sought for assignment order for the said lands in his name and has given a representation on 22.04.2022, to the respondents. Since the said representation has not been considered till date, the petitioner has filed this Writ Petition.

3. Heard Mr.K.A.S.Prabhu, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.M.Lingadurai, learned Special Government Pleader, who accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

4. No prejudice will be caused to the respondents, if the representation of the petitioner is considered on merits and in accordance with law, after affording a fair hearing to the petitioner. The petitioner claims that he is doing agricultural operations in the aforementioned panjami lands for more than 20 years. It is for him to establish his case before the respondents, when his representation is considered on merits and in accordance with law, pursuant to the directions given by this Court today.

5. For the foregoing reasons, this Court directs the sixth respondent to consider the petitioner's representation, dated 22.04.2022, requesting the respondents to issue an assignment order in his favour in respect of the panjami land comprised in Survey No.165/2 admeasuring an extent of 2 acres and 50 cents situated at Keeranur Village, Poonjuthi Post, Melur Taluk, Madurai District and pass final orders on merits and in accordance with law, after affording a fair hearing to the petitioner and any other necessary parties, whom the sixth respondent deems fit to enquire, within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS-II)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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+1 CC to M/s.K.A.S.PRABHU, Advocate (SR-22817[F] dated 29/04/2022)

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