



W.P.No.12257 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 21.4.2023

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

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T.Vijayalakshmi

...Petitioner

Vs

1.The Tahsildar, Gummidipoondi
Taluk, Thiruvallur District.

2.The Taluk Surveyor,
Gummidipoondi Taluk,
Thiruvallur District.

3.The Village Administrative Officer,
Gummidipoondi Taluk,
Thiruvallur District.

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to measure the land measuring about 10 cents or 4360 sq.ft in S.F.No.53/2A1B in Getnamallee Village of Gummidipoondi Taluk in Thiruvallur District as per settlement deed dated 30.11.2022 in Doc.No.7467 of 2022 on the file of the Sub-Registrar, Gummidipoondi by considering the petitioner's application dated 29.12.2022.



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For Petitioner : Mr.N.Ponraj

For Respondents : Mr.R.P.Murugan Raja,
Government Advocate

ORDER

With the consent of both the parties, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. The prayer sought for in this Writ Petition is to direct the respondents to survey the petitioner's land in S.F.No.53/2A1B, Getnamallee Village, Gummidipoondi Taluk, Thiruvallur District measuring about 10 cents or 4360 sq.ft. In this regard, the petitioner had also given a representation dated 29.12.2022 to the first respondent.

3. While Section 9 of the Tamil Nadu Survey and Boundaries Act, 1923, deals with the power of a Survey Officer to determine and record an undisputed boundary, Section 10 deals with such powers over disputed properties. The cost for such survey is required to be borne by the persons interested in the lands to be surveyed, as per Section 8 of the Act. Thus, when the Act empowers the concerned Survey Officer to



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comply with the request of a person seeking for survey or demarcation of boundaries of his land, he is required to comply with such a request within a reasonable time.

4. In the light of the above findings, there shall be a direction to the Tahsildar concerned to consider the petitioner's representation dated 29.12.2022 and conduct a survey in the subject lands, after receipt of the cost of the survey from the petitioner, if not already received, and after giving due notice to the registered holders of the land, as well as other persons who may be affected, owing to the survey to be conducted in the subject lands and the survey report thereof shall be communicated to all such persons, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above directions, the Writ Petition stands disposed of.

No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking order/Non-speaking order

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