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**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED: 25.01.2023**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

**W.P.(MD)No.29186 of 2022**

A.Karthika ... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
   Melur, situated at Othakkadai,
   Othakadai,
   Madurai District.

2. The Tahsildar,
   Melur Taluk, Melur,
   Madurai District.

3. The Village Administrative Officer,
   Thumbaipatti Village,
   Melur Taluk,
   Madurai District. ... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to issue the petitioner his father's death certificate and directing the 3rd respondent to receive back the petitioner's original application and forward the same after completing the process to the 2nd respondent based on petitioner's application dated 01.09.2020 and on petitioner's representation dated 23.11.2022 within a time limit that may be fixed by this Court.

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For Petitioner : Mr.V.Santhakumaresan

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

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**O R D E R**

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2. The petitioner's father is said to have passed away on 04.02.1992. The petitioner wants the death certificate for the same. He submitted an application before the first respondent. In cases of such belated registration, it is the Revenue Divisional Officer who is the competent authority.

3. The first respondent is directed to conduct an enquiry in this regard and pass final order on the petitioner's representation on merits and in accordance with law. Such an order will be passed within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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4. This writ petition stands disposed of accordingly. No costs.

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