



W.P.No.22273 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.08.2024

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR. D.KRISHNAKUMAR, ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

and

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.B. BALAJI

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J.Jeevakumar

..Petitioner

Vs

1.The Secretary to Government,
Revenue and Disaster Management Department,
Fort Saint George, Chennai-600 009.

2.The District Collector,
Collectorate, First Floor,
Tiruvannamalai District.

3.The Tahsildar,
Taluk Office at Chetpet,
Chetpet Taluk,
Polur Taluk, Chetpet-606 801.

4.Murugan

5.Elumalai

..Respondents

PRAYER: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents herein to consider the petitioner's representation dated 27.05.2024 for removing the



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encroachment on vital water bodies specifically at Survey Numbers 179-3A, 181-3B situate at Kannanur Village and all feeder canal's of Maruthamalai Lake, Chetpet Taluk, Tiruvannamalai District by land grabbers and pass such further orders.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Ramalingam

For Respondents : Mr.Edwin Prabhakar,
State Government Pleader for R1 to R3

ORDER

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

This Writ Petition has been filed for a Mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 27.05.2024 for removing the encroachments on vital water bodies specifically at Survey Numbers 179-3A, 181-3B situate at Kannanur Village and all feeder canal's of Maruthamalai Lake, Chetpet Taluk, Tiruvannamalai District by land grabbers.

2. Mr.A.Edwin Prabhakar, learned Government Pleader appearing for the respondents, on instructions, informed this Court that on verification of the records, the lands in S.No.181/3B is classified as Government



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Poromboke Annatheenam in which the fourth respondent had put up shed and a permanent construction, the lands in S.No.179/3A is classified as Government Poromboke Water Body “Paatai” in which the fifth respondent had put up a shed and the lands in S.Nos.173, 174, 175 and 181 at Kannanur Village are patta lands belonging to private parties and in such circumstances, necessary action will be taken by the respondents for removal of encroachments after conducting survey and by following the procedure as contemplated under the rules.

3. In the light of the aforesaid submission made by the learned Government Pleader for the respondents, we direct the third respondent Tahsilar and the Executive Officer of the Panchayat concerned, to take necessary action for removal of encroachments by following the procedure contemplated under the Rules. The aforesaid exercise shall be completed within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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4. With the above directions, the writ petition stands disposed of. No costs.

[D.K.K., A.CJ.] [P.B.B.J.]
20.08.2024

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To

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