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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 18-07-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

WP No. 26015 of 2025

Gnanadurai

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector
Chennai-600 001.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer
Central Chennai Division,
Mambalam Taluk, Chennai-600 078

3.The Thasildar
Mambalam Taluk,
Kodambakkam Zone,
Chennai-600 078

4.G.Ponraj

Respondent(s)

PRAYER Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India
for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 2nd respondent to cancel



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the Class II legal Heir certificate in Certificate No.TN720240912343 dated 26.09.2024 issued by the 3rd respondent by considering the petitioner representation dated 28.01.2025.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.Petchiappan

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Neelakandan
Additional Advocate General
assisted by
Mr.G.Velu
Additional Government
Pleader
for R1 to R3

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for issue of writ of mandamus directing the 2nd respondent to deal with the representation made by the petitioner on 28.01.2025, wherein, the petitioner is seeking for cancellation of the Class II Legal Heir Certificate issued by the 3rd respondent dated 26.09.2024.



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2. Heard Mr.S.Petchiappan, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mr.R.Neelakandan, learned Additional Advocate General appearing on behalf of the respondents 1 to 3.

3. The grievance of the petitioner is that a legal heirship certificate has been issued in favour of the 4th respondent by the 3rd respondent and aggrieved by the same, a representation was made before the 2nd respondent to cancel the legal heirship certificate on the ground that the petitioner is a Class I Legal Heir and that the 4th respondent is only a Class II Legal Heir.

4. In the considered view of this Court, the power of cancellation is now available even to the Tahsildar and therefore, it is left open to the petitioner to submit a fresh application to the Tahsildar and on receipt of the same, the Tahsildar shall conduct an enquiry and take a decision after affording an opportunity to the petitioner and the 4th respondent, within a



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period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of copy the fresh application from the petitioner.

5.This writ petition is disposed of with the above directions. No

Costs.

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