



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 10.07.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE N.MALA

W.P.No.25078 of 2025

Rajendran Chingaravelu
Rep by his power agent
Subramanian.S

.. petitioner

vs

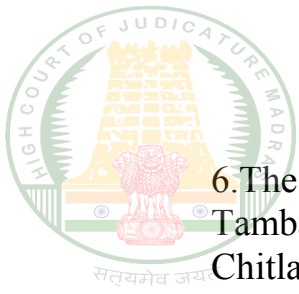
1. The Government of Tamil Nadu
Rep by its Principal Secretary
Housing & Urban Development Department
Fort St.George, Chennai – 600 009.

2.The Member Secretary
Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority
Thalamuthu Natarajan Building
No.1 Gandhi Irwin Road
Egmore, Chennai – 600 008.

3.The Chief Planner Officer
Reclassification Unit
Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority
No.1 Gandhi Irwin Road
Egmore, Chennai – 600 008.

4.The Commissioner
St.Thomas Mount Panchayat Union
Chitlapakkam, Chennai – 600 064.

5.The Assistant Engineer
St.Thomas Mount Panchayat Union
Chitlapakkam, Chennai – 600 064.



6.The Tahsildar
Tambaram, Chennai – Trichy Highway
Chitlapakkam, West Tambaram, Chennai – 600 045.

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... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondent 1 to 6 to give a necessary and suitable order on the application No.CMDA/Reclassification/1/0163/2023 dated 26.12.2023 submitted by the petitioner and to reclassify the property of the petitioner from agricultural to primary residential within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.Y.Kavitha

For Respondents : Mr.V.Manoharan, AGP for R1 & R6

Mr.R.Thamaraiselvan, standing counsel for R2 & R3.

ORDER

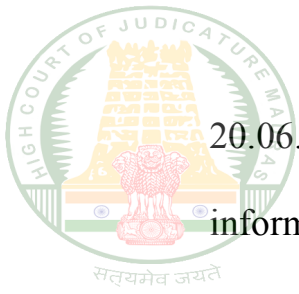
The writ petition is filed for a direction to the respondents 1 to 6 to pass necessary and suitable orders on the application No.CMDA/Reclassification/1/0163/2023 of the petitioner dated 26.12.2023 submitted for reclassification of petitioner's property from agricultural to primary residential within a time frame.



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2. The petitioner purchased the vacant land bearing Old No.17, New No.146, measuring an extent of 12 cents in S.No.54/1A2B and 18 cents in S.No.54/1A32 totally 30 cents in Agaramthen Village, Tambaram Taluk, Chengalpattu District, along with pathway rights under sale deed dated 25.07.2023 in Doc.No.6103/2023. Whiles, the petitioner applied for reclassification of the land along with requisite documents and also paid necessary fees for constructing a residential building.

3. In response to the petitioners application, the second respondent on 07.05.2024, issued a letter to the petitioner seeking certain particulars including a document flowchart, FMB, remarks of the Local Body and questionnaire of the proposal and a correspondence address. Meanwhile, on 02.07.2024 the 4th respondent vide his letter in RC.No.1606/2024/A4, informed the second respondent, that the inspection report and the questionnaire were satisfactory and therefore recommended approval of the proposal for reclassification. Thereafter, there was no action on the side of the respondents and hence the petitioner sent several reminders on 03.06.2024, 26.12.2024 and 05.02.2025. Later, the petitioner also sought for information under the RTI Act on the reclassification process. On



20.06.2025, the 2nd respondent vide letter No.G/PIO/970182 furnished information under RTI to the petitioner. Since no action was taken on the petitioner's application for reclassification, even after a lapse of 1 ½ years, the petitioner filed the above writ petition.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Government Pleader for respondents 1 & 6 and the learned standing counsel for R2 & R3. With consent of both counsels, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal.

5. In view of the above facts and circumstances and considering that the petitioners application dated 26.12.2023 for reclassification of the lands is kept pending for more than 1 ½ years without any action, this Court is inclined to direct the second respondent to consider the petitioner's application dated 26.12.2023, on merits and in accordance with law and pass appropriate orders, within a period of 12 weeks, from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



6. With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Speaking order / Non-speaking order

Index : Yes / No

Neutral Citation : Yes / No

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To

1. The Director of Town and Country Planning
C&E Market Road, Virugambakkam,
Koyambedu, Chennai – 600 107.

2.The Assistant Director of Town and Country Planning
Tiruvallur, Tiruvallur District – 602 001.

3.The Tahsildar
Uthukottai Taluk, Tiruvallur District – 602 026.

4,The Village Administrative Officer
Attarambakkam, (Kunjaram Village)
Uthukottai Taluk – 602 026.

5.The Block Development Officer
Poondi, Tiruvallur District – 602 023.

6.The President / Special Officer
Ramanathapuram Panchayat, Seethanjeri Post
Uthukottai Taluk, Tiruvallur District – 602 006.

7.The Sub Registrar, (Registration Department)
Uthukottai Town and Taluk,
Tiruvallur District – 602 026.

8.The Assistant Engineer
TANGEDCO, Uthukottai, Tiruvallur District – 602 001.

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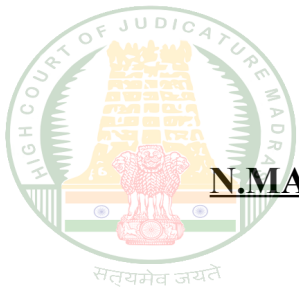


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Today, this matter is listed under caption 'for being mentioned' at the instance of the learned counsel for the petitioner.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that this Court vide order dated 10.07.2025, disposed of the writ petition in WP No.25078 of 2025. The learned counsel further submitted that respondents address in the cause title differs from the addresses mentioned at the end of the order and hence prays for appropriate orders.

3.It is seen that in the order dated 10.07.2025, the addresses of the respondents has been inadvertently typed and the same differs from the respondents in the cause title. Hence, the Registry is directed to incorporate the following addresses of the respondents in the “To address column” and issue a fresh order copy to the parties concerned forthwith.

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