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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09-10-2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ**

**WA No. 2815 of 2023
and
CMP No. 23487 of 2023**

1.The Tahsildar
Madhavaram Taluk office
Madhavaram, Chennai

2.Special Tahsildar
Land Acquisition, Chennai City Water
Ways Schemes, Ambattur,
Chennai -600053.
[A2 impleaded as proposed appellant
vide order dated 26.09.2025 made in
CMP.No.13628/2024 in
WA.No.2815/2023]

Appellant(s)

Vs

1.Tamil Selvi R

2.Malathi R



3.Priya R

4.Nagarajan R

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, to set aside the impugned order dated 22.06.2022 made in WP.No.14287 of 2022 and allow the above WA

For Appellant(s): Mr.R.Ramanlal, AAG, Asst. by
Mr.T.Arunkumar, AGP

For Respondent(s): Ms.Shrivarshini
For Mr.Govindaprabu

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(Judgment was delivered by S.M.Subramaniam J.)

The writ appeal has been instituted challenging the Writ Court order dated 22.06.2022 passed in W.P.No.14287 of 2022.

2. The acquisition proceedings initiated by the Government was quashed and consequently the award amount received by the landowners were returned back to the Government along with the interest. Since the



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revenue records were not mutated the aggrieved landowners filed the writ petition. The writ petition was disposed of with a direction to the Revenue Authorities to mutate the revenue records in the name of the respondents / writ petitioners.

3. The Tahsildar, Madhavaram Taluk, Chennai preferred the present Intra-Court Appeal. During the pendency of the writ appeal, the revenue records were mutated. Since the contempt proceedings have been initiated as of now, the issues between the landowners and the Land Acquisition Officer has been settled.

4. On an earlier occasion, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has clarified that the Government is at liberty to initiate fresh acquisition proceeding, if such lands are required for public purposes. In other words there is no impediment for the Government of Tamil Nadu to initiate fresh land acquisition proceedings, if the lands are required for implementing public projects, schemes, etc.



5. In view of the above factum, the appellants are at liberty to initiate

action for fresh acquisition proceedings, if required.

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6. With the above observations, the Writ Appeal stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

(S.M.SUBRAMANIAM J.)(MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ J.)

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