



WP No.33438 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25.10.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR.MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

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David Manohar

: Petitioner

Vs

1.The District Disaster Management Authority
Rep. by Chairperson District Collector
Chengalpattu Grand Southern Trunk Rd
Chengalpattu Venbakkam
Tamil Nadu 603 111

2.Government of Tamil Nadu
Rep. by Principal Secretary
Secretariat, Fort St.George
Chennai 09

3.The Water Resource Department - (PWD)
Chennai rep. by Principal Secretary
Fort St.George, Chennai 09

: Respondents

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider the representations dated 1.08.2025 submitted to all the respondents within the time limit stipulated by this Honble court by removing the encroachments on the three canals at Chrompet and Pallavaram Commencing from GST road thus facilitating rain water drainage and avoid flooding in the Pallavaram Taluk.

For Petitioner

:

Ms.Y.Kavitha
for M/s.P.V.S.Giridhar Associates

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For Respondents

: Mr.K.Karthik Jagannath,
Government Advocate

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ORDER

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

The issue which has been raised in this petition, filed as public interest litigation, essentially revolves around the widespread encroachments and water logging.

2. Affidavit now filed states that proceedings for eviction have already been initiated against 81 identified encroachers.

3. In view of the above development, and what has been stated in the reply, we are convinced that the respondent authorities have initiated action to bring it to its logical conclusion at the earliest.

4. We also direct the respondents to complete the process as early as possible and those who are found to be encroachers be removed. That would eventually take care of other problems also, which are arising mainly on account of encroachments.



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5. The proceedings should be concluded within a period of four months in respect of all 81 persons to whom notices have been issued.

6. The writ petition stands disposed of. There will be no order as to costs.

(MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA, CJ.) (G.ARUL MURUGAN, J.)
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Index : Yes/No
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