



W.P.No.36118 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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Dated : 23.09.2025

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THE HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

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Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple,
Singirikoil,
Vellore Taluk and District,
Rep. by Hereditary Trustee and Archakar,
K.Narasimha Battachar

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
Collectorate,
Tiruvannamalai.

2.The Tahsildar,
Arani,
Tiruvannamalai District.

3.The Village Administrative Officer,
Kattukanallur Village,
Arani Taluk.

4.The Revenue Inspector,
Kannamangalam,
Arani Taluk.

5.The Taluk Surveyor,
Kannamangalam,
Arani Taluk.

... Respondents



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Prayer:

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Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to conduct a survey of the lands of the petitioner temple measuring acre 1.85 in Dry Survey Number 178/1, Kattukanallur Village, Arani Taluk, and to submit a detailed Survey Plan with Report.

For Petitioner : Mrs.R.S.Lakshmi Priya
for Mr.T.M.Hariharan

For Respondents : Mrs.S.Indhu Bala,
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

The relief sought for in this writ petition is to direct the respondents to conduct a survey of the lands of the petitioner temple measuring acre 1.85 in Dry Survey Number 178/1, Kattukanallur Village, Arani Taluk, and to submit a detailed Survey Plan with Report.

2. Mrs.S.Indhu Bala, learned Additional Government Pleader takes notice on behalf of the respondents. By consent of both the parties, this writ petition is taken up for final hearing at the admission stage itself.



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3. The case of the petitioner is that the petitioner temple owns an extent of acre 1.85 - Dry Lands in Survey Number 178/1, Kattukanallur Village, Arani Taluk. This being so, two individuals encroached about 25 cents of the aforesaid lands of the temple, relying on bogus documents. Hence, the petitioner remitted necessary charges for the survey of the aforesaid lands on 03.03.2025. However, survey has not been conducted till date. Hence, the petitioner has come forward with the present writ petition.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that, it would suffice, if this Court issues direction to the respondents to conduct a survey in the petitioner's land, within a time frame that may fixed by this Court.

5. Learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondent seeks four weeks to complete the aforesaid exercise.

6. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

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7. Considering the limited relief sought for by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court directs the respondents to conduct survey in the petitioner's land measuring acre 1.85 in Dry Survey Number 178/1, Kattukanallur Village, Arani Taluk, after giving due notice and opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioners as well as aggrieved persons, if any, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is needless to say, in case of any obstruction being created by third parties, the fifth respondent is at liberty to approach the Police officials, in which case, the Police officials shall render assistance to the fifth respondent to carry out the aforesaid exercise.

8. With the aforesaid direction, this writ petition is disposed of.
No costs.

List the case on 17.11.2025 under the caption "For Reporting Compliance".

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