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W.P.(MD)NO.17387 OF 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 16.10.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI

W.P.(MD)No.17387 of 2022 AND

W.M.P.(MD)No.12664 of 2022

M.Kingston Thomas

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi – 628 101.
2. The Revenue Divisional Officer(RDO),
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District – 628 503.
3. The Tahsildar,
Ottapidaram Taluk,
Thoothukudi – 628 722.
4. The Village Administrative Officer(VAO),
Akkanayakkanpatti Village,
Ottapidaram Village,
Thoothukudi – 628 303.

5. Ganapathy @ Edward

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the



second respondent to take appropriate action against the fifth respondent as requested in the petitioner's representation dated 27.09.2021 and as directed by the second respondent in the proceedings Na.Ka.No.AA2/10601/2021 dated 25.11.2021 and remove the encroachment made in survey No.336/7 at Akkanayakkanpatti Village, Ottapidaram Taluk, Thoothukudi District.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Anbarasu

For Respondents : Mr.M.Gangatharan,
Government Advocate for R-1 to R-4.

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ORDER

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner and the learned Government Advocate for the respondents 1 to 4.

2. The petitioner alleges that in survey No.336/7, there are encroachments. Though it is not a water body, it has been classified as cart track. The authorities have initiated action to remove the encroachment.

3. We direct the Tahsildar, Ottapidaram to take the process to its logical conclusion by adhering to due process of law. This writ



petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

(G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.) & (B.PUGALENDHI, J.)
16th October 2025

NCC : Yes / No
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Internet : Yes / No

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