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WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 09.07.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE S.M.SUBRAMANIAM
and
THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE A.D.MARIA CLETE**

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R.Lakshmikanthan

... Petitioner

vs.

1.The District Collector,
Thanjavur.

2.The Director,
Rural Development Department,
Kumbakonam.

3.The Block Development Officer,
Kumbakonam Panchayat,
Thanjavur District.

4.The Tahsildar,
Kumbakonam Panchayat,
Thanjavur District.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to take immediate steps to shift the graveyard/cremation ground situated adjacent to a



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public road which runs from Saakottai to Krishnapuram in the lands owned Annalagraharam Grama Panchayat to a suitable alternative location that does not endanger public peace, health and safety.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.K.H.M.Mohamed Abdul Rasiq

For Respondents : Mr.P.Thilak Kumar
Government Pleader

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by S.M.SUBRAMANIAM, J.)

The writ on hand has been instituted to direct the respondents to take immediate steps to shift the graveyard/cremation ground situated adjacent to the public road running from Saakottai to Krishnapuram, located in the lands owned Annalagraharam Grama Panchayat to a suitable alternative location that does not endanger public peace, health or safety.

2.Today, when the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Government Pleader appearing for the respondents submitted that two Villagers are using the said burial ground for the burial of dead bodies.



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3.The contention of the petitioner is that the burial ground is located close to the road and is causing inconvenience to the road users.

4.However, such a contention is unacceptable. According to the learned Government Pleader, the burial ground is not causing any inconvenience to the residents of the locality. That being the case, the relief sought for by the petitioner cannot be granted.

5.Accordingly, this Writ Petition stands dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs.

[S.M.S.,J.] & [A.D.M.C.,J.]
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