



W.P.(MD)No.22301 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 14.08.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI

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Selvakumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The District Collector / Monitoring Committee,
Thanjavur District,
Thanjavur.
- 2.The Revenue Divisional Officer / Monitoring Committee,
Puthukottai,
Thanjavur District.
- 3.The Tahsildar / Monitoring Committee,
Peravurani Taluk,
Thanjavur.
- 4.The Assistant Executive Engineer / Monitoring Committee,
(PWD-Water Resource),
Kallani Basin Division,
Ayakudi, Subramaniyapuram,
Peravurani,
Thanjavur.
- 5.Ayyappan
- 6.Prabhu



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7.Samesh Gopi

8.Vijaya Kumar

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the Respondents No.1 to 4 herein to remove the encroachment in Survey No. 11/6, 11/5, 12/4 and 13 which is classified as water channel made by the Respondent Nos. 5 to 8 situated at Soornakattu Village, Perravurani Taluk, Thanjavur District by considering Petitioner Representation dated 01.07.2025 within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner :Mr.B.Arun

For Respondents :Mr.C.Venkatshkumar
Special Government Pleader
for R1 to R4

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader for the official respondents. Issuance of notice to the private respondents is dispensed with.

2. The petitioner is a resident of Soorankattu Village. According to him, the water channel has been encroached upon. He would claim that the water channel runs through the petition mentioned survey numbers.



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3. In this view of the matter, we direct the third respondent to conduct survey. Notice shall be given to all the interested persons & encroachers before conducting survey. If the survey results indicate that there are encroachments in the water body, the same shall be removed. All the encroachers shall not only be put on notice but also given due opportunity. All the encroachments shall be cleared within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. The Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly. No costs.

[G.R.S., J.] [B.P., J.]
14.08.2025

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