



W.P(MD)NO.24016 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED :08.09.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE SENTHILKUMAR RAMAMOORTHY

W.P(MD)No.24016 of 2025

and

W.M.P.(MD) No.18838 of 2025

K.Raja

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,
Collectorate Buildings,
Dindigul District.

2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Dindigul District.

3. The Tahsildar,
Nilakottai Taluk,
Dindigul District.

4. The Village Administrative Officer,
Maalaiyagoundanpatti Village,
Nilakottai Taluk,
Dindigul District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorari to call for the records pertaining to the Impugned Order passed by the third respondent in his proceedings Na.Ka.No.3617/2025/AA4 dated 01.07.2025 and



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quash the same as unconstitutional.

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For Petitioner : Mr. K.V. Raja Rajan

For Respondents : Mr.K.Balasubramani
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

An order dated 01.07.2025 rejecting the petitioner's request for patta is challenged in this Writ Petition.

2. Learned Special Government Pleader accepts notice on behalf of respondents. He submits that a statutory appeal is provided under the Tamil Nadu Patta Pass Book Act, 1983.

3. As submitted by learned Special Government Pleader, a statutory appeal before the jurisdictional Revenue Divisional Officer is prescribed in the statute. The impugned order is dated 01.07.2025 and the limitation prescribed is 30 days. Nonetheless, considering the fact that the petitioner has approached this Court, it is just and appropriate that the petitioner's appeal, if filed, be considered and disposed of on merits.



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4. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of by granting leave to the petitioner to assail the impugned order by way of appeal before the Revenue Divisional Officer. If such appeal is lodged within 15 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, the second respondent is directed to receive and dispose of the same on merits within a reasonable period without going into the question of limitation.

5. With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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NCS : Yes/No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes / No
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