



W.P.(MD)No.25619 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 13.11.2025

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CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH**
AND
THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN**

WP(MD)No. 25619 of 2025

P.Ramesh

...Petitioner

Vs

- 1.The District Collector,
Madurai District, Madurai.
 - 2.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
Department, Madurai Region,
Madurai - 625001.
 - 3.The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
No.6-2-1, Palanichettipatti,
Theni – 625 531.
 - 4.Inspector/Fit Person,
Arulmighu Perumal Temple,
Muthalaikulam Village,
Usilampatti.
 - 5.The District Revenue Officer,
Madurai.
- (R 4 & R 5 are suo motu impleaded vide order
dated 17.09.2025 in W.P(MD)No.25619 of 2025)*

....Respondents

For Petitioner: Mr.V.Nambi Nachiyar

For Respondents: Mr.J.Ashok

Additional Government Pleader



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Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 2 and 3 to take appropriate action for the removal of encroachments over the temple lands comprised in Survey Nos.128/1, 128/3, 128/7, 223/7, 223/8, 243/3 and 253/3 belonging to Sri Ooranikarai Nadu Mudhalaikkulam Perumal Temple situated at Mudhalikulam Village, Usilampatti Taluk, Madurai District and to restore possession to the temple and ensure proper maintenance and update the temple property details in the official HR and CE website based on the petitioner's representation dated 12.07.2025 within the time limit that may be stipulated by this Court.

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by **C.KUMARAPPAN J.**)

Today, this matter is posted 'for reporting compliance'.

2.The learned Additional Government Pleader, on written instructions from the Inspector of HR & CE, Arulmighu Perumal Temple, Muthalaikkulam Village, Usilampatti, dated 13.11.2025, would submit that in pursuance of the order of this Court dated 24.09.2025, survey was conducted and 8 encroachers were identified. Among 8 encroachers, three of them have voluntarily handed over the possession of the encroached portion of the land. As against five other persons, proposal was submitted before the Assistant Commissioner, HR & CE, so as to issue notice under Section 78 of HR & CE Act. He would also submit



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that in pursuance of the order, proper details have been updated in the HR & CE website.

3.Written instructions along with the notice are placed on record.

4.Since directions under order dated 24.09.2025 are complied with, no further orders are required.

(A.S.M., J.) (C.K., .)
13.11.2025

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