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WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 14.10.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,
CHIEF JUSTICE
and
THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE R.POORNIMA**

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Udhayakumar
S/o.Chelladurai
Colony South Street
Paraikulam Village
Madathupatti Panchayat Union
Sankarankovil Taluk
Tenkasi District

... Petitioner

-vs-

- 1.The District Collector
Tenkasi District, Tenkasi
- 2.The Revenue Divisional Officer
Sankarankovil Taluk
Tenkasi District
- 3.The Tahsildar
Sankarankovil Taluk
Tenkasi District
- 4.The Block Development Officer
Block Development Office
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- 5.The Special Tahsildar
Aadhi Dravidar Welfare Department
Sankarankovil, Tenkasi District
- 6.Ganesan
S/o.Shanmugam
- 7.Banumathi
W/o.Ulaganathan
- 8.Krishnammal @ Kuttithai
W/o.Gurusamy
- 9.Ramakrishnan
W/o.Kasamadan
- 10.Booraj
S/o.Vellaisamy
- 11.Vijayalakshmi
W/o.Sundarajan
- 12.Mangaladurai
S/o.Ramaiah
- 13.Indirabavani
W/o.Rathinasamy
- 14.Thayammal
W/o.Rathinasamy
- 15.Krishnammal
W/o.Gurusamy
Respondents 6 to 15
are residing at Veerasigamani Village
Sankarankovil Taluk, Tenkasi District

... Respondents



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PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the 1st to 4th respondents to remove the encroachment made by the respondents 6 to 15 in Natham Survey No. 65/5A with an extent of 10.44.0 hectares as common pathway situated at Veerasigamani Village, Sankarankovil Taluk, Tenkasi District, on the basis of the representation dated 10.02.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Muniyandi

For Respondents : Mr.P.Thilakkumar
Government Pleader for R1 to R5

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by The Hon'ble CHIEF JUSTICE]

Heard.

2. In response to the allegation regarding inaction towards removal of encroachment allegedly made by the private respondent Nos.6 to 15, learned State Counsel, on instructions, would submit that taking cognizance of the complaint, proceedings have already been drawn and notices under Section 7 of the Tamil Nadu Land Encroachment Act, 1905 were also issued. He would further submit that, out of many



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encroachments, two encroachments have already been removed, whereas the remaining persons, against whom proceedings were drawn, have filed appeals, which are pending before the District Collector.

3. The steps, which have so far been taken by the official respondents, dispel any allegation that no action is being taken on the petitioner's complaint. We are satisfied that the authorities have already initiated proceedings. It is also stated that the appeal is pending before the District Collector. Depending upon the result of the appeals, necessary action, as required under law, should be taken by the authorities expeditiously.

4. The petition is, accordingly, disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

[MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA, C.J.] [R.POORNIMA, J.]

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