



W.A(MD)Nos.2920 & 2921 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 19.11.2025

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CORAM:

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

W.A(MD)Nos.2920 & 2921 of 2025
and
C.M.P(MD)No.16553 of 2025

1.W.A(MD)No.2920 of 2025:

K.Kanagaraj

... Appellant/Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Government of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Secretary to Government,
Adi-Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department,
Secretariat, Fort.St.George,
Chennai – 600 009.
- 2.The Special Commissioner and
Commissioner of Land Administration,
Adi-Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department,
Ezhilagam, Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.
- 3.The Director,
Adi-Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department,
Ezhilagam, Chepauk,
Chennai – 600 005.
- 4.The District Collector,
Dindigul District, Dindigul.
- 5.The District Adi-Dravidar and Tribal,
Welfare Officer, District Collector Office,



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Dindigul.
6.The Special Tahsildar,
Adi-Dravidar Welfare Department Unit-II,
Palani.

7.The Tahsildar,
Taluk Office,
Oddanchathram Taluk,
Dindigul District. ... Respondents

PRAYER:- Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, to set aside the order made in W.P.(MD)No.18305 of 2025 dated 22.08.2025 on the file of this Court.

For Appellant : Mr.M.P.Senthil
For Respondents : Mr.M.Sarangan
Additional Government Pleader

2.W.A(MD)No.2921 of 2025:

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PRAYER:- Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, to set aside the order made in W.P.(MD)No.18929 of 2025 dated 22.08.2025 on the file of this Court.

For Appellant : Mr.M.P.Senthil
For Respondents : Mr.D.Sadiq Raja
Additional Government Pleader

COMMON ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by **DR.ANITA SUMANTH, J.**)

Read this order in continuation of and in conjunction with the order dated 16.10.2025, which reads as follows:

“Mr.D.Sadiq Raja, learned Additional Government Pleader accepts notice for the respondents.

2.The legal question that arises for determination in this case is as to whether the provisions of Section 48 of the Land Acquisition Act 1894 ('Act'), providing for the benefit of re-possession/compensation under Section 48-B of the Act, can be availed by the appellant post the coming into force of the 2013 Act. For this purpose, this appellant cites the decision of a learned Single Judge of this Court in Dr.R.Jayaraj vs. The State of Tamil Nadu and others



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[W.P.No.17774 of 2020, dated 23.02.2021].

3.In fact, the petitioner has made two representations specifically raising the question of re-possession, which are pending consideration thus far.

4.The petitioner will hence appear before R1 on 23.10.2025 at 11.00 am. The petitioner shall be accompanied with a copy of this order as well as the representations dated 16.03.2022 and 21.06.2022, along with supporting documents. He shall be granted audience, heard and an order passed by the authority, prior to the next date of hearing.

5.List on 19.11.2025 for production of orders. Status quo till then.”

2.The appellant appeared before the authority and orders had also been passed, a copy of which is handed over to us.

3.Vide order in Letter No.1450/LA1/2025, dated 17.11.2025, the Secretary to Government, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare (LA2) Department Secretariat, Secretariat, has negated the claim of the appellant for reconveyance of 41 cents of land in Survey No.13/1B at Oddanchatram Village, Dindigul District.

4.Hence, the writ appeals are dismissed recording the aforesaid. Liberty is granted to the appellant to challenge order dated 17.11.2025, if so desired. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

**[A.S.M.J.] & [C.K.J.,]
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