



W.P.(MD)No.29665 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 23.10.2025

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

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M.Sanjaygandhi

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Collector / Monitoring Committee,
Collectorate,
Pudukkottai.

2.The Executive Engineer,
Water Resources Department,
Pudukkottai.

3.The District Revenue Officer,
Pudukkottai.

4.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Tirunelveli.

5.The Tahsildar,
Manamelkudi Taluk,
Pudukkottai.

6.Karunanithi

7.Raja

8.Murugan

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9.T.Indira

10.Madhavan

11.Natarajan

12.Vijayakumari

13.Santhi

14.Sankaran

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents 1 to 5 to remove the encroachments made by the 6 to 14 respondents Survey No.140, which is classified as Government Poramboke and Water Body situated at Manjakudi revenue village, Manamlkudi taluk, Pudukkottai District, based on the Petitioner's representation dated 28.08.2025 within time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner :Mr.V.Vijayendiran

For Respondents :Mr.S.Vinodh
Government Advocate
for R1 to R5

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate for R1 to R5. Issuance of notice to R6 to R14 is dispensed with.

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2. The petitioner is a resident of Viswanathapuram Village. He alleges that in the petition mentioned survey number, there are encroachments and that the same is not being removed.

3. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate confirms that the petition mentioned survey number has been classified as “water body” in the revenue record.

4. In this view of the matter, we direct the fifth 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 six months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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

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