



W.P.(MD)No.31367 of 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : **02.01.2025**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI**

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Tahsildar,
Nanguneri Taluk,
Tirunelveli District.

2. The Head Surveyor,
Nanguneri Taluk,
Tirunelveli District.

3. Edward Raj

4. John Prabhakaran

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to measure, fix four boundaries and to erect boundary stones by surveying the property in Survey No. 181/6C2 with an extent of 24 cents situated at Munaichipatti Village, Nanguneri Taluk by following the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Survey and Boundaries Act, 1923.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Venkatesh

For Respondents : Mr.R.Raghavendran

Government Advocate



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has not been effected, still the application can be considered.

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(II) The petitioner will have to enclose all the relevant documents such as patta. The applicant must have individual patta in his / her name. If he / she is having joint patta, co-pattadars must give their consent for conducting survey.

(III) The survey authority will issue notice to the writ petitioner as well as the adjacent land owners and also to the interested persons, if any.

(IV) Enquiry shall be held. During enquiry, objections raised by the adjacent land owners / interested persons shall be considered.

(V) If according to the jurisdictional authority, the objections are without any basis, the same shall be overruled and the objectors shall be informed accordingly. But the survey will be conducted only after a period of six weeks so that the objector can move the concerned Court for injunction. If before the proposed date of survey, the objector is unable to obtain any injunction order, the survey can very well go on. If any suit is filed, subject to plaint being in order, it shall be numbered immediately. If any interlocutory application is filed, it shall be disposed of on merits and in accordance with law within a period of four weeks thereafter.



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(VI) It is open to the parties to serve memo of instructions to the surveyor at the time of conducting survey. The same will be borne in mind. While it cannot be binding on the surveyor, the same will be taken note of.

(VII) If the jurisdictional authority finds objections to be having substance, then, he shall call upon the applicant to move the jurisdictional civil Court for agitating his rights.

(VIII) If required, the survey authority is empowered to seek aid of the jurisdictional police and the jurisdictional police are mandated to grant police protection.

(IX) It is made clear that at the end of the survey exercise, survey stones alone can be installed. The exercise of survey and demarcation undertaken pursuant to the direction of this Court can never result in dispossession of any party. If the petitioner wants to put up fencing and if there is any objection from any private party, fencing can be put up only after the petitioner obtains decree from the jurisdictional Civil Court.

(X) The survey authority will conclude the entire exercise one way or the other within a period of six weeks after service of notice on the interested persons.



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(XI) A copy of the survey report along with sketch will be served on the parties. No costs.

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L.VICTORIA GOWRI, J.

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