



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16-03-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 9854 of 2026 and WMP.No.10621 of 2026

Ramesh Kumar

Petitioner(s)

Vs

The Tahsildar

Tiruvallur Taluk, Tiruvallur District

Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, calling for the record in rejected application No. TN - 720251014922 dated on 14.10.2025 on the file off the respondent and quash the same as illegal and consequently direct the respondent to issue legal heirship certificate to the petitioner

For Petitioner(s): Mr.A.Samson

For Respondent: Mr.S.Bala Murugan, Government Advocate

ORDER

By consent of both parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. This petition has been filed challenging the order of the respondent dated 14.10.2025 rejecting the petitioner's legal heir certificate.

3. It is the case of the petitioner that his father Solaiyan died on 30.07.2025, thereafter, the petitioner being the son of his father, he has made an application for issuance of legal heir certificate. However, the same was rejected vide impugned order on the ground that the petitioner has suppressed his father had two wives. Challenging the same, the present writ petition.



4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that if the petitioner's father has two wives, it is the duty cast upon the respondent to issue legal heir certificate to conduct enquiry and add the other legal heirs and issue legal heirship certificate, straight away rejecting the application is not proper. Hence, seeks for allowing this writ petition.

5. Heard both sides and perused the materials placed on record.

6. At the outset, this Court is of the view that when it is found that the petitioner's father had two wives, it is the duty cast upon the respondent to conduct enquiry and add the legal heir and thereafter, issue legal heirship certificate, whereas, in the present case, the respondent has rejected the application on the ground that the petitioner has suppressed about two wives. Such view of the matter, the impugned order stands set aside. The petition is directed to make an application for legal heir certificate within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this Order and the respondent shall conduct enquiry after giving opportunity to the interested parties and pass appropriate orders on merits by issuing legal heir certificate to eligible persons and in accordance with law within a period of six weeks thereafter.

7. Accordingly, this writ petition stands allowed. No costs. Consequently,



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connected miscellaneous petition stands closed.

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