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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

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1. P. Krishnamoorthy
2. P. Nagul
3. D. Panneer
4. P. Panneerselvam,
5. P. Rajammal
6. E. Saraswathi
7. R. Sasi
8. P. Satya
9. Subramaniam
10. Valliyammal
11. S. Viji

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Secretary
Revenue Department,
Fort St. George,
Chennai -600 009
2. The District Collector,
Thiruvallur District.
3. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Gummidi Poondi,
Thiruvallur District



4. The Tahsildar

Gummidi Poondi Taluk,

Gummidi Poondi,

Thiruvallur District

..Respondent(s)

Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking for issuance of a writ of mandamus to direct the respondents 1 to 4 herein to dispose of the representations dated 10.11.2025 and 06.11.2025 in accordance with the law relating to issuance of patta in survey No. 218 and survey No. 222 measuring an extent of 1 hectare each or if the Government take steps to acquire the property, appropriate compensation to the petitioners.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.Kumara Devan

For Respondent(s): Mr.C.Jayaprakash,
Govt Advocate

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking for a direction to the respondents to issue patta for the property morefully described in the affidavit filed in support of this writ petition, in favour of the petitioners, or in the alternative, pay compensation to them.

2. The petitioners claim that they have been in possession of their respective subject property for a long number of years, and that they have been



cultivating crops on the said property. In such circumstances, they seek for the grant of patta in their favour for the subject property, or in the alternative, have requested the respondents to grant compensation. The petitioners had given their respective representations to the respondents for the said purpose. Since the said representations have not been considered till date, they have filed this writ petition.

3. Mr.C.Jayaprakash, learned Government Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents, and on instructions, he submits that the respondents have not received any such representation as stated in this writ petition. He further submits that the subject lands under the occupation of the petitioners have been classified as Meikkal. Hence, it may not be possible for the respondents to issue patta in favour of the petitioners.

4. However, the learned counsel for the petitioners submits that if issuance of patta is not possible for the respondents, compensation will have to be paid to the petitioners, as the petitioners claim that they have already developed the property by cultivating crops.

5. No prejudice will be caused to the respondents if they are directed to pass final orders on the fresh representation to be submitted by the petitioners, on merits and in accordance with law, after hearing the objections from the



neighbouring land owners, and also any other party whom they deem fit to enquire, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of in the following manner:-

(a) The petitioners are directed to submit a fresh representation to the second respondent seeking issuance of patta or in the alternative, pay compensation to them, within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

(b) On receipt of such representation from the petitioners, the second respondent shall pass final orders, on merits and in accordance with law, after hearing the objections from the neighbouring land owners as well as any other party whom they deem fit to enquire, within period of 12 weeks thereafter.

No Costs. W.M.P.No.3930 of 2026 is ordered, subject to payment of separate court fee. W.M.P.No.3931 of 2026 is closed.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

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