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W.P.No.4167 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 06.02.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

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and

W.M.P.No.4643 of 2026

G.Valliyammal

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009.
- 2.The Special Commissioner,
Commissioner of Land Reforms,
Chepauk, Chennai – 600 005.
- 3.The District Collector,
Erode Collectorate Building,
Erode District – 638 011.
- 4.The Assistant Commissioner,
Land Reforms,
Erode – 638 001.
- 5.The Administrator General and Official Trustee of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by Additional Deputy Administrator General and
Official Trustee of Tamil Nadu,
High Court Campus,
Chennai – 600 104.



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6.The Zonal Deputy Thasildar,
Gobichettipalayam,
Erode District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records of the impugned online rejection of the 6th respondent dated 09.08.2025 in the Application ID No.2025/0153/10/003194 and quash the same and consequently direct the 6th respondent to mutate the patta/TSLR for the property in TS No.9/11D and 9/6E in Veerapandi Village, Ward 'A' Block 10, Gobichettipalayam Taluk, Erode District in the name of the petitioner in a time bound manner.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.S.Usharani

For Respondents : Mr.D.Ravichander
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed challenging the impugned order passed by the 6th respondent, dated 09.08.2025, rejecting the petitioner's application seeking for mutation of patta in her name for the property morefully described in the prayer to this writ petition.

2. Mr.D.Ravichander, learned Special Government Pleader, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.



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3. The petitioner has challenged the impugned order on the ground that the impugned order is a non-speaking order and has been passed in violation of the principles of natural justice. As seen from the impugned order, dated 09.08.2025, the 6th respondent has not given any reason for rejecting the petitioner's application and no personal hearing opportunity was also granted to the petitioner, and further, no notice was issued to the petitioner prior to the passing of the impugned order. The impugned order simply states that the application is rejected on the ground that "case is pending before the court". However, the details of the court case is not disclosed in the impugned order. The petitioner categorically contends before this Court through the supporting documents that she is entitled for mutation of patta in her name for the property morefully described in the prayer to this writ petition. None of the supporting documents filed by the petitioner have been considered in the impugned order, dated 09.08.2025 passed by the 6th respondent, rejecting the petitioner's application seeking for mutation of patta in her name for the property morefully described in the prayer to this writ petition.



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4. Since the impugned order is a non-speaking order, this Court is of the considered view that the impugned order has to be quashed and the matter has to be remanded back to the very same respondent for fresh consideration on merits and in accordance with law, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court. The 6th respondent, while re-considering the matter, has to pass a speaking order after giving due consideration to the documents filed along with the petitioner's application seeking for mutation of revenue records in her name for the property morefully described in the prayer to this writ petition.

5. For the foregoing reasons, the impugned order, dated 09.08.2025 passed by the 6th respondent is hereby quashed and the matter is remanded back to the 6th respondent for fresh consideration on merits and in accordance with law. While re-considering the same, the 6th respondent shall pass final orders, on merits and in accordance with law, after affording one opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner and also permitting the petitioner to submit her explanation as to how she is entitled for mutation of patta in her name for the property morefully



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described in the prayer to this writ petition. The 6th respondent shall pass a speaking order, after giving due consideration to the documents provided by the petitioner in respect of the petitioner's application seeking for mutation of patta in her name for the subject property. The said exercise shall be completed by the 6th respondent, within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above directions, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Index : Yes / No
Speaking order / Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation Case : Yes/No
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