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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.02.2026

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,
CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

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& W.M.P.No.6820 of 2026

M.Kamaraj
S/o.Marimuthu
No.20 Sivan Sannathi Street
Velippalayam,
Nagapattinam 611 001.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.
2. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government
Revenue and Disaster Management Department
Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.
3. The Principal Secretary/
Commissioner of Land Administration
Office of the Commissioner of Land Administration
Chennai 600 005.
4. The Chairman/ Cauvery Technical Cell and
Interstate Waters Wing
Water Resources Department



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Government Museum Complex
Chennai 600 008.
5. The Chief Engineer
Water Resources Department
Plan Formulation
Chennai 600 005.

Respondent(s)

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 31.12.2025 in view of the rejection order dated 17.06.2021 passed by the 4th respondent and consequently direct the respondents to strictly enforce the mandates of G.O.(Ms) No.142 dated 23.07.2014 and G.O.(Ms) No.15 dated 28.03.2023 for sinking agricultural wells in blocks categorized as "Over Exploited" and "Critical" within the district of Tiruppur, Erode, Salem, Namakkal, Karur and Trichy.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. I.Abrar Md. Adbullah
For Mr. S.Sathish

For Respondent(s): Mr. K.Karthik Jagannath
Government Advocate

ORDER
(Order of the Court was made by
the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

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2. Petitioner's allegation in the petition is that all the applications which are being filed seeking permission for grant of sinking well in prohibited "over exploited area" are unnecessarily kept pending and are not being rejected, whereas as per G.O. dated 23.07.2014, such application should have been rejected.

3. Petition is without any cause of action. As and when any application is allowed, it will be open for petitioner to file petition.

4. Petition is dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, the interim application is also dismissed.

(MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA, CJ) (G.ARUL MURUGAN,J)
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Index : Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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