



W.P.No.13321 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 16.04.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ABDUL QUDDHOSE

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G.V.Varadarajulu

.. Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Tamilnadu rep. by its
The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, Fort St. George,
Chennai – 600 009.
2. The Commissioner,
The Commissionerate of Land Administration,
2nd Floor, Ezhilagam,
Chennai – 600 005.
3. Assistant Commissioner,
Urban Land Ceiling and Reforms Department,
Ambattur Zone,
Chennai – 600 056.
4. The Tahsildar,
Tahsildar Office,
Madhavaram,
Chennai – 600 060.

.. Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to issue patta in the name of the petitioner, G.V.Varadarajulu, in respect of the property



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measuring 3600 sq.ft. situated at Pudhagaram Village, Saidapet Taluk,
Now Madhavaram Taluk, Ambathur Sub-Registration office, Chennai
Registration District.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.S.Mujiburrahman

For Respondents : Mr.D.Ravichander,
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed to direct the respondents to issue patta in the name of the petitioner for the property, more fully disclosed in the prayer to this Writ Petition.

2. The petitioner claims to be an innocent purchaser of the property, more fully disclosed in the prayer to this Writ Petition, as, according to the petitioner, he was not aware of the land conciliation proceedings initiated against the petitioner's vendor. The petitioner relies upon a Government Order to seek protection of his property under the Innocent Purchaser Scheme. However, as seen from the prayer in this Writ Petition, the petitioner is seeking for issuance of patta in his name even before his property is regularised as per the Government Order under the Innocent Purchaser Scheme. The petitioner will have to first give a



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representation to the respondents seeking for regularisation of his land under the Innocent Purchaser Scheme and only after the respondents declare that the petitioner falls under the said scheme and the petitioner's land is regularised, the petitioner can seek for issuance of patta in his name.

3. The learned Counsel for the petitioner, on instructions, submits that the petitioner is willing to submit a representation to the respondents seeking for regularisation of the petitioner's property under the Innocent Purchaser Scheme to enable the respondents to consider the same on merits and in accordance with law. He also submits that once the petitioner's land has been regularised, a direction may be issued to the respondents to consider the petitioner's application seeking for grant of patta in his name.

4. No prejudice will be caused to any of the parties if the aforesaid direction, as sought for by the learned Counsel for the petitioner, is issued by this Court. This Court is not expressing any opinion on the merits of the petitioner's representation.



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5. For the foregoing reasons, this Writ Petition is disposed of by directing the petitioner to submit a fresh representation to the second respondent seeking for regularisation of the petitioner's land, more fully disclosed in the prayer to this Writ Petition, under the Innocent Purchaser Scheme within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On receipt of the said representation from the petitioner within the stipulated time along with the supporting documents, the second respondent shall pass final orders on merits and in accordance with law based on the petitioner's representation after giving due consideration to the supporting documents produced by the petitioner within a period of twelve weeks thereafter. If the petitioner has been declared as an innocent purchaser in respect of the property, more fully disclosed in the prayer to this Writ Petition, the petitioner is granted liberty to seek for issuance of patta in his name for the said property and the competent authority (Tahsildar) is directed to consider the request for grant of patta on merits and in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible. There shall be no order as to costs.

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