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Writ Petition No.15394 of 2



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 17-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER

Writ Petition No.15394 of 2026

and

W.M.P.No.16628 of 2026

R.Nedunchezhiyan
S/o. (Late) Ranganathan

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,
District Collector Office Dharmapuri,
Salem Main Road,
Dharmapuri District - 635 303.
2. The Tahsildar,
Taluk Office Dharmapuri,
Dharmapuri District - 635 303.
3. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Revenue Department Office,
Dharmapuri Taluk,
Dharmapuri District - 635 303.
4. The Revenue Inspector,
Collector Campus,
Dharmapuri District - 635 303.
5. The Village Administrative Officer,
Kadakathur Panchayath,
Kadakathur Village,
Dharmapuri Taluk,
Dharmapuri District - 635 303.



6. The President,
Kadakathur Panchayath Office,
Kadakathur Village, Dharmapuri Taluk,
Dharmapuri District - 635 303.

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..Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a Writ of Certiorari calling for the records relating to the impugned eviction notice issued by the second respondent dated 02.04.2026 under Sections 3(i) and 3(ii) of the Tamil Nadu Land Encroachment Act, 1905 and quash the same as illegal, arbitrary and contrary to law.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.P.Mohanbalaji

For Respondents : Mr.T.Arunkumar
Additional Government Pleader [R1 to R5]

ORDER

(Made by S.M.Subramaniam J.)

The present writ petition has been instituted challenging the final notice issued under Section 6 of the Tamil Nadu Land Encroachment Act, 1905 [for brevity 'the Act'].

2. Against the notice issued under Section 6 of the Act an appeal would lie under Section 10 of the Act before the District Collector. The District Collector is the competent authority to conduct an elaborate enquiry by affording opportunity to the parties. Therefore, the petitioner has to exhaust the statutory remedy, which is efficacious and provided under the Act.



Granting liberty to the petitioner to prefer an appeal under Section 10 of the Act before the District Collector, this writ petition stands dismissed. No

costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

[S.M.S., J.] [K.S., J.]
17-04-2026

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

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