



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20-02-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

CONT P No. 3303 of 2025

1. S.R.Ravichandran,
S/o. S.P.Ramaswamy No. 42, Thottasalai
Vellalore Via, Singanallur Coimbatore.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Mr. Sivaguru Prabakaran, IAS.,
The Commissioner, Corporation of
Coimbatore, Raja Salai, Coimbatore-1.

Contemnor(s)

PRAYER

Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts Act, to punish the respondent under section 11 of the contempt of Court Act for having willfully and deliberately disobeying the order of this Hon'ble Court passed in W.P.No. 3793 of 2014 dated 21.10.2019.

For Petitioner(s):	Mr.M.G.Janaki Raman
For Contemnor(s):	Mr.L.S.M.Hasan Fizal, Additional Government Pleader for Secretary Housing and Urban Development Department Mr.M.Suresh Kumar, Addl Advocate General Asst By Mr.D.R. Arunkumar Standing Counsel For The Respondent



ORDER

In terms of the order passed by this Court in W.P.No.3793 of 2014 on 21.10.2019, and in Contempt Petition No.3303 of 2025 on 23.01.2026, the Secretary to Government, Housing and Urban Development Department, Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009, has passed the following proceeding:-



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Housing and Urban
Development Department,
Secretariat, Chennai - 09.

Letter No.efile1256/UD4(1)/2025-2, dated 19.02.2026

From
Tmt. Kakarla Usha, I.A.S.,
Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To
Thiru. S.R. Ravichandran,
No. 42, Thottathu Salai,
Vellalore via Singanallur,
Coimbatore 641 005.

Sir,

Sub: Urban Development - Coimbatore District - Singanallur
village - Lands in S.F.Nos.624, 643 & 644 - Request of
Thiru.S.R.Ravichandran for formation of 12.0m wide road
in the middle of approved layout LP/DTCP No.69/2013 -
Rejected - Orders issued.

- Ref: 1. Orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in
W.P.No.3793 of 2014, dated 21.10.2019.
2. From the Commissioner, Corporation of Coimbatore,
letter No. 11612/2019/சாப1(அ), dated 01.12.2025.
3. Government letter No.efile1256/UD.4(1)/2025-1, dated
07.01.2026.
4. Orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in Contempt
Petition No.3303 of 2025, dated 23.01.2026.
5. From the Director of Town and Country Planning, Roc.
No. 1077 /2026/TCP-3, dated.17.02.2026.

I am directed to invite your attention to the WP 3793/2014 filed by
you with a prayer to form a 12m wide road through the middle portion of
the gifted Open Space Reservation/ Park Area in the approved layout
L.P/DTCP No.69/2013, contending that your lands comprised in S.F.Nos.
624,643 and 644 of Singanallur village, Coimbatore do not have proper
access.

2. The High Court in the reference first cited has passed the following
orders in the above W.P:

*"xxx...In the light of the submission made by the learned Special
Government Pleader, the 5th respondent (The Commissioner,
Corporation of Coimbatore, Coimbatore) is directed to send*



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a proposal/recommendation in this regard, to the 1st respondent (The State, Rep., by its Secretary to Government, Housing and Urban Development Department, Chennai), within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The petitioner shall also give a fresh representation or a copy of the earlier representation dated 01.12.2013, enclosing a copy of this order, along with a copy of circular dated 04.05.2006, to the 1st respondent, within one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. On receipt of both, the 1st respondent is directed to consider the request of the petitioner and pass order on merits and in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks therefrom...xxx".

3. In this regard, the Commissioner, Corporation of Coimbatore, Coimbatore had sent a detailed proposal in the reference second cited wherein he has stated that, without effecting any conversion of the park land by the Department of Town and Country Planning and the Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation, and in accordance with the approved layout plan, a 10.0-metre-wide tar road on the south-western side and a 7.0-metre-wide tar road on the eastern side have been laid to provide access to the petitioner's lands and hence the conversion of open space reservation/park area to road is not necessary. He had also sent the detailed report of the Coimbatore Local Planning Authority alongwith site plan and maps.

4. In the reference third cited, the Director of Town and Country Planning was requested to send his remarks on the proposal of the Commissioner, Corporation of Coimbatore, Coimbatore.

5. In the reference fifth cited, the Director of Town and Country Planning has accordingly sent his detailed report as follows:-

(i) The petitioner's lands in S.F.Nos.624, 643 and 644 were abutting the approved layout L.P/ DTCP No.69/2013 granted by the competent authority under the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act,1971.

(ii) In the said approved layout, 7.0m wide roads have been provided on the northwestern side abutting S.F. No. 624 and on the south-western side abutting S.F. No. 643, adjoining the petitioner's lands.

(iii) One of the petitioner's lands in Survey No. 643 was sold to Mr. Suresh under Sale Deed Document No. 1437512021. In the layout subsequently formed in the said property and approved as L.P./CLPA No. 7/2024, the 10.00 metre and 7.00m wide roads earmarked therein serve as access roads to the petitioner's remaining land in Survey No. 644 (New S.F. No. 20). The above existing road network provides reasonable, sufficient and legally recognized access to the petitioner's lands.



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(iv) The 12.0 m wide road now sought by the petitioner is proposed to be formed through the area reserved as Park / Open Space Reservation (OSR), which has already been earmarked and gifted for public purpose as per the approved layout conditions.

(v) As per the approved layout conditions and the applicable Development Regulations framed under the Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act, 1971, lands earmarked as Park OSR are reserved exclusively for public recreational and open space purposes. Once such land is reserved and gifted to the local body, its land use cannot be altered or diverted for road formation without statutory modification of the approved layout in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Rules. Such modification is permissible only in accordance with law and subject to planning norms and public interest considerations.

(vi) In the present case, since adequate access roads of 7.0m and 10.0m width already exist and serve the petitioner's lands, there is no technical necessity or statutory mandate to disturb the approved layout configuration or to convert the reserved OSR area into a road."

6. The Government after careful examination of your request in view of the above facts and circumstances, the report of the Commissioner, Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation, the report of the Local Planning Authority and the report of the Director of Town and Country Planning, have concluded that your request for formation of a 12.0m wide road in the middle of the approved layout L.P/ DTCP No.69/2013, is not feasible of compliance and not sustainable under the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act, 1971 (Tamil Nadu Act 32 of 1972), Tamil Nadu Combined Development Building Rules, 2019 and other existing rules. Hence your request for formation of a 12.0m wide road in the middle of the approved layout L.P/ DTCP No.69/2013, is hereby rejected.

Yours faithfully

for Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Copy to:-

1. The Director of Town and Country Planning,
Chennai -107.
2. The Commissioner,
Corporation of Coimbatore,
Coimbatore - 641001.
3. Thiru. L.S.M.Hasan Fizal,
Additional Government Pleader,
High Court buildings,
Chennai -104.



2. Since, this is in compliance of the order passed in W.P.No.3793 of 2014, this Contempt Petition stands closed. In case, the petitioner is aggrieved, it is open to him to workout the same in the manner known to law.

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To

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