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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 01.04.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER

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L.Roseline
W/o.S.Leonard

... Petitioner

VS.

1. S.Vetriselvan
The Block Development Officer
Keezhaiyur Panchayat Union
(For Karunkanni Village Panchayat)
Nagapattinam District.
2. Jennifer Arul Valan
The Panchayat President
Karunkanni Village Panchayat
Karunkanni, Nagapattinam District.
3. D.Ramesh Kumar
The Tahsildar
Keezhaiyur Panchayat Union
(For Karunkanni Village Panchayat)
Kilvelur Taluk, Nagapattinam District
(R6 impleaded suo-motu vide order
dated 26.04.2021 in W.P.No.20485 of 2020) ... Respondents



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Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, praying to punish the respondents for Contempt of Court for wilful disobedience of the order passed in W.P.No.20485 of 2020 dated 19.11.2021.

For Petitioner : Ms.M.Saveetha Priya Dharshini
for Mr.Leo Valan L

For Respondents : Mr.D.Ravichander
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

[Made by **S. M. SUBRAMANIAM, J.,**]

The present contempt petition has been instituted to punish the respondents for their wilful disobedience of the order of this Court dated 19.11.2021 in W.P.No.20485 of 2020.

2. The Block Development Officer, addressed a letter to the petitioner on 06.06.2022 stating that a survey was conducted and the authorities found that the width of the footpath is four feet and therefore, there is no possibility of laying a tar road. However, the authorities have ensured that they will maintain the footpath, prevent any waterlogging and



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ensure the free usage of the pathway for public purposes. It is needless to state that the public infrastructure, including the roads and streets must be maintained free from encroachment and waterlogging for the usage of the people residing in that locality.

3. In view of the said submission, the authorities are directed to ensure that the footpath is maintained properly and kept free from waterlogging, particularly during rainy season, to enable the people residing in that locality to use the pathway to reach their respective properties.

4. With the above directions, the Contempt Petition stands disposed of.

(S.M.S.,J.) (K.S.,J.)
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