



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-03-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER

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A.Arunachalam

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

Dr.R.Brindha Devi, I.A.S.,
District Collector,
Salem Collectorate Office,
Mettu Street,
Fort Main Road,
Salem District 636 001.

..Contemnor(s)

Contempt Petition filed under Section 11 of Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 to punish the respondent herein who has disobeyed the order of this Court dated 12.12.2022 made in W.P. No.33347 of 2022.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.A.Murugavel

For Contemnor(s): Mr.D.Ravichander
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by S.M.Subramaniam J.)

The present Contempt Petition has been instituted to punish the respondent for their willful disobedience of the order of this Court dated 12.12.2022 in WP.No.33347 of 2022.



2. Following orders are passed by this Court,

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4. Recording the submission of the learned State Government Pleader, the writ petition is disposed of directing the first respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 12.09.2022 and pass orders on the same within a period of two months, after giving notice to the affected parties. No costs. “

3. Learned Special Government Pleader would submit that an enquiry was conducted by the District Collector by considering the representation submitted by petitioner, and a direction was issued to the Block Development Officer for removal of encroachments in the water body poramboke.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that encroachments are yet to be removed.

5. Since there is no willful disobedience of the order of this Court, District Collector is directed to ensure that the authority competent removes the encroachments in the water body by following the procedure as contemplated under the statutes.



6. With the above direction, the contempt petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petitions, if any, are closed.

(S.M.S.,J.) (K.S.,J.)
04-03-2026

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

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To
The District Collector,
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**S.M.SUBRAMANIAM, J.
AND
K.SURENDER, J.**

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