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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 39940 of 2026
and
W.M.P.No.44882 of 2026
CNR: {HCMA012331712026}

D.Ananthan
Proprietor of
M/s.Sakthivel Cable Network
No.5/3, Main Road,
Bharathi Nagar, Korukkupet,
Chennai – 600 021.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Managing Director,
   M/s.Tamilnadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited,
   No.807, 4th Floor,
   PT Lee Chengalvarayan Naicker Building,
   Anna Salai (Mount Road),
   Chennai - 600 002.

2. The General Manager,
   M/s.Tamilnadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited,
   No.807, 4th Floor,
   PT Lee Chengalvarayan Naicker Building,
   Anna Salai (Mount Road),
   Chennai - 600 002.

3. The Special Tahsildar (North Zone)
   M/s.Tamilnadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited,
   No.11/22 Maangadu Sami Street,
   Nungambakkam,
   Chennai - 600 034.

4. Narayanasamy
   proprietor of,

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M/s.Sujatha Cable TV Network
No.15, 3rd Street,
Meenambal Nagar, Korukkupet
Chennai - 600 021.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the second respondent to consider the petitioner's fourth and final representation dated 19.08.2026, after conducting an appropriate enquiry and consequently further and to take appropriate action in accordance with law in respect of the alleged unauthorised removal and replacement of the STBs installed by the petitioner and the consequent interference with the petitioner's existing subscribe connections in Meenambal Nagar, Jeeva Nagar, Bharathi Nagar, Sasthiri Nagar and the surrrounding areas of Korukkupet, Chennai by the fourth respondent, and to take necessary steps to safeguard the petitioner's existing cable television connection and enable the petitioner to carry on his lawful business without unauthorised interference by the fourth respondent, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner(s) : Mr.R.Babu

For Respondent(s) : Mr.A.Fernandez
R1 to R3

Not ready in notice (R4)

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This writ petition has been filed for the following relief :

> "*directing the second respondent to consider the petitioner's fourth and final representation dated 19.08.2026, after conducting an appropriate enquiry and consequently further and to take appropriate action in accordance with law in respect of the alleged*

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unauthorised removal and replacement of the STBs installed by the petitioner and the consequent interference with the petitioner's existing subscribe connections in Meenambal Nagar, Jeeva Nagar, Bharathi Nagar, Sasthiri Nagar and the surrounding areas of Korukkupet, Chennai by the fourth respondent, and to take necessary steps to safeguard the petitioner's existing cable television connection and enable the petitioner to carry on his lawful business without unauthorised interference by the fourth respondent, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court."

2. The petitioner, a Local Cable Operator (LCO) operating under the name M/s.Sakthivel Cable Network, alleges that the 4th respondent unlawfully interferred with his cable network by removing his Set-Top Boxes, replacing them with those of another MSO and inducing his subscribers to switch networks. Despite repeated representations, the respondent authorities have failed to conduct an enquiry or take action. Hence, the present writ petition seeking consideration of his representation dated 19.08.2026 has been filed.

3. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

4. The learned counsel for the respondents 1 to 3 submits that though petitioner had been called for enquiry on 22.10.2026 at 3.00 pm., he had not

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appeared on the said date.

5. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he had not received the said notice.

6. Taking note of the above, the respondents 1 to 3 shall hold an enquiry on 04.11.2026 at 3.00 pm. and the petitioner shall be present on the said date.

7. With the above directions, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition stands closed.

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