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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 28-10-2026**

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**THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER**

**WP No. 42607 of 2026**

CNR:{HCMA012363002026}

Dr.R.Rajkumar
S/o Late Ranganathan,
No. 1/194,
Bajanai Kovil Street,
Uthandi Village,
Chennai-600 119.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Revenue Divisional Officer
   Chennai South,
   Guindy, Chennai - 600 032.

2. The Tahsildar,
   Sholinganallur Taluk,
   Sholinganallur - 600 119.

3. Mr. Venkatesan
   S/o Late Mr. Arjunan,
   residing at No. 1/196,
   BajanaiKoil Street,
   Uthandi Village, Chennai-600 119.

4. Mr. A. Kannayiram,
   S/o Late Mr. Arjunan,
   residing at No. 1/196, BajanaiKoil Street,
   Uthandi Village, Chennai - 600 119.

5. Mrs. Vedavalli,
   D/o Late Mr. Arjunan,
   residing at No. 1/196,
   Bajanai Koil Street,
   Uthandi Village, Chennai - 600 119.

..Respondent(s)



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**PRAYER :** Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of writ of mandamus directing the first respondent to consider and dispose of the petitioner's Appeal dated 05.09.2023 on its own merits, dehors the pending civil injunction suits, and consequently direct the 1st and second respondents to rectify the revenue records by removing the erroneous classification of a portion of the petitioner's property in Survey No. 110/13, Uthandi Village, Sholinganallur Taluk as a pathway, thereby restoring the petitioner's registered land extent to 4,620 sq.ft. in the revenue.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.T.Bharath Gowtham

For Respondent(s): Mr.M.Sivavarthanan,
Special Government Pleader

**Order**

This writ petition has been filed seeking a direction to the first respondent to consider and dispose of the petitioner's appeal dated 05.09.2023 on its own merits, dehors the pending civil injunction suits, and consequently to direct the first and second respondents to rectify the revenue records by removing the erroneous classification of a portion of the petitioner's property in Survey No. 110/13, Uthandi Village, Sholinganallur Taluk as a pathway, thereby restoring the petitioner's registered land extent of 4,620 sq.ft. in the revenue records.

2. The petitioner claims ancestral ownership over 4,620 sq.ft. of land in Survey No. 110/13 at Uthandi Village, Chennai, settled via a settlement deed. However, the revenue records account for only 4,370 sq.ft., wrongly classifying



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the remaining 250 sq.ft. as a public pathway. To rectify this discrepancy, the petitioner filed an appeal on 05.09.2023. While two civil injunction suits are pending involving the family of the late Mr. Arjunan (respondents 3 to 5), they do not involve a declaration of title. Aggrieved by the inordinate delay, the petitioner has approached this Court by filed this writ petition.

3. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the official respondents submitted that an appeal is pending before the Revenue Divisional Officer and if a specific time frame is fixed by this Court, the official respondents will consider the petitioner's appeal and dispose of the same on its own merits and in accordance with law.

4. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

5. Since no order prejudicial to the interest of respondents three to five is to be passed in this writ petition, notice to the respondents three to five is dispensed with and this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.


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6. Without going into the merits of the case, as an appeal dated 05.09.2023 is pending before the Revenue Divisional Officer, this Court directs the Revenue Divisional Officer, (the first respondent) to consider the petitioner's appeal only to the extent of disposing of the appeal and pass orders on the same within a period of sixteen weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, on its own merits and in accordance with law, after providing an opportunity of hearing to all the parties concerned and all the other prayer sought by the petitioner are declined.

7. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the claim made by the petitioner**.** If there is any dispute relating to the title or *inter-se* civil rights over the property, the parties are at liberty to approach the competent Civil Court for appropriate relief. With the above directions, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

**K.SURENDER J.**
**28-10-2026**

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