



.IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27-01-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

W.P.Nos.38291, 38295, 37851 & 37852 of 2025

and

W.M.P.Nos.42812, 42817, 42300, 42301, 48578 & 48583 of 2025

S.Vetrivel	... Petitioner in W.P.No.38291/2025
V.Mannavan	... Petitioner in W.P.No.38295/2025
M.Santhosh Kumar	... Petitioner in W.P.No.37851/2025
S.Selvakumar	... Petitioner in W.P.No.37852/2025

Vs.

1. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Principal Secretary
to Government,
Municipal Administration and Water Supply
Department,
Fort St. George, Chennai – 600 009.

2.The Director of Municipal Administration,
75, Urban Administration Building,
Santhome High Road,
MRC Nagar, Raja Annamalaipuram,
Chennai – 600 028.

3.Mannarkudi Municipality,
Represented by its Commissioner,
120, Gandhi Road,
(Opp) Government Hospital,
Mannarkudi, Thiruvarur District.

... Respondents in all WPs



Common Prayer:- These writ petitions are filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of declaration, declaring the tender notification dated 13.08.2025 issued by the 3rd respondent and the consequential resolution of the 3rd respondent council dated 09.09.2025 insofar as it pertains to resolutions Nos.1 to 7 pertaining to allotment of shops in Blocks A to G of the Mannargudi New Bus Stand, as arbitrary, illegal, unconstitutional and direct the respondents to conduct the open auction tender for the new shops in the Mannargudi bus stand in a fair and transparent manner in accordance with law.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Ramesh (in all W.Ps)

For Respondents : Mr.P.S.Raman, AG
Asst. by Mr.P.Anandakumar, GA (R3)
Mr.L.S.M.Hasan Fizal (R1&R2)
(in all W.Ps)

C O M M O N O R D E R

These writ petitions challenge the auction for newly constructed shops in Kamarajar Bus-stand, Mannarkudi.

2. When these matters came up for hearing on 23.01.2026, the Hon'ble Advocate General reported that out of the total number of shops, which was brought for auction in Phase-I, 9 shops continue to remain vacant. In addition, he pointed out that in Phase-II, none of the shops have been auctioned.



3. The number of petitioners impugning the auction are four in number.

That being the situation, I called Mr.S.Ramesh to get instructions from his clients to identify the shops and file affidavit(s) of the petitioners. Hence, I posted these matters today(27.01.2026).

4. When I took up these matters for today(27.01.2026), Mr.S.Ramesh has filed a memo of petitioners identifying the shops and also expressed the agreement that the petitioners are willing to shops, which were identified on their same terms, as allotted to the other shop owners on 03.09.2025.

5. The Commissioner of Mannarkudi Municipality is present before this Court. He has also made an endorsement to that effect on the memo dated 27.01.2026, stating that he is agreeable to the said terms. Mr.Anand Kumar appearing for Commissioner, has also made an endorsement on the memo. The memo is scanned and extracted hereunder:-



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M. Santhosh Kumar,
Son of Muthu Cheliyan,
No.B-9, Ranganayaki Nivas Apartments,
Theppakulam,
Vadakarai,
Mannarkudi
Tiruvarur District.

.... Petitioner in WP No. 37851 of 2025

S.Selvakumar
Son of Seenivasan,
No.1 150 Sathirathadi Shotrium,
Keluvathur,
Mannarkudi
Tiruvarur District.

.... Petitioner in WP No. 37852 of 2025

S.Vetrivel
Son of Singaravel,
No12, Indira Nagar,
Maligaimedu,
Mannargudi,
Thiruvarur 614 001.

.... Petitioner in WP No. 38291 of 2025

V.Mannavan
Son of Veerasingam,
325, North Street,
Painganadu
Mannargudi,
Thiruvarur 614 020.

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..... Respondents

MEMO OF PETITIONERS

Petitioner most respectfully submit as follows:

1. Petitioners have challenged auction of new shops in Mannarkudi, Kamarajar bus stand. Pending disposal of the writ petitions respondents have offered remaining vacant shops on the same terms and called upon petitioners to submit their choice.
2. Accordingly, without prejudice to their rights petitioners are submitting their choice for lease

a. M.Santhosh Kumar - WP No. 39851/2025- Shop G 29 opposite to Bharath saloon

b.S.Selvakumar- WP No. 39852/2025- Shop F - 5 & 6 (117 sq. Ft.),

c. S.Vetrivel- WP No. 38291/2025- Block F shop 3 & 4(115 Sq. Ft.)

d.V.Mannavan -WP No. 38295 of 2025- A-1 , 1st Shop



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The Petitioners are agreeable to take above shops on lease on the same terms as was made applicable to persons who were allotted shops in auction on 03.09.2025.

It is therefore most humbly prayed that the Hon'ble court may be pleased to take memo on record and pass such further orders and thus render justice.

Dated at Chennai on this 27th day of January, 2026

M. Subashini
PETITIONER IN WP NO. 37851 OF 2025

G. Kulkarni
PETITIONER IN WP NO. 37852 OF 2025

S. Anand
PETITIONER IN WP NO. 38291 OF 2025

For
S. Anand
PETITIONER IN WP NO. 38295 OF 2025

S. Anand
COUNSEL FOR PETITIONERS

B.V.S.
Commissioner (FAC)
Mannargudi Municipality
27/1/26
as per records



6. As the *lis* has been settled to the agreement of both parties, nothing further remains other than recording the memo and disposing the writ petition.

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7. Accordingly, recording the memo, these writ petitions are disposed.
Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed. No costs.

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Speaking/Non-speaking order
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