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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 30-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. SURENDER

WP No.43618 of 2026

CNR:{HCMA012497582026}

1. G.Gopal

2. G.Ramesh

3. G.Ashok

4. G.Babu

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector,
   Chennai Collectorate,
   Singaravellan Maligai,
   No. 62 Rajaji Salai, Chennai 01.

2. The Revenue Divisional officer,
   Office of The Revenue Divisional officer,
   Puzhal, Chennai 60.

3. The Tashildar,
   Purasawalkam Taluk,
   Chennai 03.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of writ of mandamus directing the 3rd respondent to consider the petitioners representation dated 13.11.2025 and issue patta to their property measuring to an extent of 4484 sq.ft comprised in Survey No. 9438 in Block No. 77 of V.O. C. village, Purasawalkam Taluk, situated at No.12, Amman Koil Street, Edapalayam, VOC Nagar, Chennai 03 in the light of the common judgment dated 23.01.2025 passed in S.A.No. 1045 of 2011 and SA

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No. 1046 of 2011 after removing the endorsement Transaction blocked for temple lands in the land records maintained by him.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.C.P.Sivamohan

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

Order

This writ petition has been filed seeking a direction to the third respondent to consider the petitioners' representation dated 13.11.2025 and to issue patta for their property measuring an extent of 4484 Sq.ft., comprised in Survey No. 9438 in Block No. 77 of V.O.C Village, Purasawalkam Taluk, situated at No. 12, Amman Koil Street, Edapalayam, V.O.C. Nagar, Chennai - 600 003, in the light of the common judgment dated 23.01.2025 passed in S.A. No. 1045 of 2011 and S.A. No. 1046 of 2011, after removing the endorsement 'Transaction Blocked for Temple Lands' in the land records.

2. The case of the petitioners is that the subject property, measuring an overall extent of 4616 Sq.ft., originally belonged to C. Subbaraya Naicker by virtue of Collector's proceedings dated 24.04.1885 and subsequent devolutions down to the vendors who sold it to the petitioners' father, C.K. Gajapathi, *via* a registered sale deed. Long-standing civil litigations arose when tenants claimed the land belonged to Arulmighu Renuka Parameswari Amman Temple.

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Ultimately, in S.A. Nos. 1045 and 1046 of 2011, this Court, by a common order dated 23.01.2025, restored the decree declaring the petitioners' absolute title, subject to the exclusion of 132 Sq.ft. where the temple resides. The judgment has since reached finality. The grievance of the petitioners is that despite inter-departmental communications from the first and second respondents to the third respondent noting the legal clarity, the entry 'Transaction Blocked for Temple Lands' has not been lifted for the petitioners' remaining 4484 Sq.ft., delaying their building approvals. Aggrieved by the same, the petitioners' approached this Court by filing this writ petition.

3. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the official respondents submitted that if a specific time frame is fixed by this Court, the respondents will consider the representation and pass orders in accordance with the law.

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

5. Since the core issue involved in this writ petition is consideration of the representation, this Court directs the third respondent to consider the petitioners' representation dated 13.11.2025 and to complete the entire process, verify the facts for updating and obtaining transactions in accordance with the law, lift the structural entry restrictions where applicable, and pass final orders

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within a period of ten (10) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, on its own merits and in accordance with the law, after providing an opportunity of hearing to all the parties concerned, including the representatives of the jurisdictional temple authorities.

6. 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.

7. With the above directions, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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