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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 26-03-2026**

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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.Arumugam  
S/o.Angamuthu,  
No.3/188, Na,Ku.colony,  
Ammampalayam Village and Post,  
Attur Taluk,  
Salem District-636 141.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. Mrs. Brindha Devi, I.A.S.,  
The District Collector,  
Office of Collectorate, Salem District.
2. Tamilmani  
The Revenue Divisional Officer,  
Attur Taluk, Salem District.
3. R.Balaji,  
The Tahsildar, Office of Tahsildar,  
Attur Taluk, Salem District.
4. Surendar  
The Assistant Engineer,  
Public Works Department/Water Resource,  
Irrigation Division, Attur Taluk, Salem District.

..Contemnor(s)



**PRAYER**: The Contempt Petition is filed under Section 11 of the Contempt of Courts Act, to punish the respondents herein for willful disobedience of the order of this Court dated 06.06.2025 in W.P.No.20271 of 2025.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. A.Logesh

For Contemnor(s): Mr.A.Selvendran  
Special Government Pleader

**ORDER**

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

The Tahsildar, Attur, has filed a Status Report, which indicates that all encroachments in the subject water body had been removed except one encroachment. In respect of the said encroachment, as assignment was granted in the year 1969. Therefore, appropriate actions are to be initiated to cancel the illegal assignment, if any, granted in favour of any person, and thereafter such encroachment is to be removed.

2. The Tahsildar is directed to initiate all appropriate actions to ensure that all the encroachers in the water body are to be removed and the water resources are protected in the interest of the public. However, in respect of all



other encroachments, the same had already been removed and thus, this Court is inclined to close the Contempt Petition. Accordingly, this Contempt Petition stands closed.

**(S.M.S.,J.) (K.S.,J.)**

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