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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05-11-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER

Case QR

WP No. 45526 of 2026

CNR:{HCMA012573552026}

K. Sundravel

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The Tahsildar
Panruti Taluk,
panruti, Cuddalore District 607 106

..Respondent(s)

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India seeking Writ of Mandamus to direct the Respondent to consider the petitioners application dated 25.09.2026 and to survey, measure, and demarcate the boundaries of the petitioners property situated at Kadampuliyur Village, Panruti Taluk, Cuddalore Distrct, comprised in Old survey No 548/5 as per patta No 5229, New Survey No 329/3 measuring (0.05.50 Hectares) Acre 0.13.58, within a time frame.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.Sathya Raj
For Respondent(s): Mr.A.Arasu Sanga Tamil Government Advocate

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the Respondent to consider the petitioner's application dated 25.09.2026 to survey, measure, and demarcate the boundaries of the petitioner's property situated at Kadampuliyur Village, Panruti Taluk, Cuddalore District, comprised in Old Survey No. 548/5 as per Patta No. 5229, New Survey No. 329/3 measuring an extent of 0.05.50 Hectares (Acre 0.13.58) within a specified time frame.

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2. According to the petitioner, he is the absolute owner of the subject agricultural land having acquired the same through a valid registered Sale Deed dated 15.10.2025 vide Doc. No. 4454 of 2025, subsequent to which the patta was also mutated in his name under Patta No. 5229. With a view to properly identify and fix his boundary lines, the petitioner initially preferred an online survey application through his mother on 14.11.2025 and remitted the statutory fees. Although the respondent issued a communication dated 12.06.2026 fixing the date of survey as 27.06.2026, the official surveyor failed to turn up. To avoid technicalities, the petitioner submitted a fresh application in his own name on 25.09.2026. Since the application remains unattended, the petitioner has preferred the present Writ Petition.

3. The learned Government Advocate appearing on behalf of the respondent submits that the application submitted by the petitioner will be considered and disposed of by the official respondent on its own merits and in accordance with law, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

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

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5. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the matter, this Court is of the view that any application submitted to a statutory authority needs proper consideration and cannot be kept pending indefinitely without any valid justification. Public authorities are bound to look into such requests and dispose of them in accordance with law within a reasonable time frame.

6. In view of the limited scope of the prayer sought for and the submissions made by both sides, this Writ Petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent to consider the petitioner's application dated 25.09.2026 to survey, measure, and fix boundaries on the property comprised in Old Survey No. 548/5, New Survey No. 329/3 situated at Kadampuliyur Village, Panruti Taluk, Cuddalore District. The respondent shall, after verifying the title deeds and patta records, and after affording a fair hearing to the petitioner, any rival claimants, and adjacent landowners who may be affected, pass final orders on merits and in accordance with law within a period of eight (8) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

7. It is further ordered that, if the official respondent or the field surveyor encounters any physical obstruction or resistance while conducting the field

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survey and boundary demarcation of the subject property, they are at liberty to approach the jurisdictional police authorities, and upon such request, the authorities concerned shall provide adequate police protection to ensure the survey is carried out smoothly and without any breach of peace.

8. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the claim made by the parties.

9. Accordingly, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs.

K.SURENDER J.
05-11-2026

Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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