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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

WP No. 44786 of 2026

CNR:{HCMA012635112026}

Case QR

S.Chandrashekhar

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District collector
   Coimbatore District
   coimbatore-641 018.
2. The Revenue Divisional officer
   Coimbatore District
   coimbatore-641 030.
3. Zonal Deputy Tahsildar
   coimbatore North (02)Taluk
   Coimbatore-641 018.

..Respondent(s)

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents to dispose of the application dated 13.5.2024, 29.10.2025 and 24.7.2026 and representation dated 24.9.2026 for grant of patta**.**

For Petitioner(s): Mr.T.P.Savitha
For Respondent(s): Mr.A.Arasu Sanga Tamil Government Advocate

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents to dispose of the petitioner's applications dated 13.05.2024, 29.10.2025, 24.07.2026 and representation dated 24.09.2026 submitted before the respondents for the grant of patta in respect of the property comprised in Survey No.314/2A within a specified time frame.

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2. According to the petitioner, he purchased the land site No. 152, situated at Green Park Avenue, Kalappati Road, Coimbatore comprised in Survey No.314/2A vide a registered Sale Deed dated 21.03.2013 registered under Document No.2012/2013 at the Sub-Registrar Office, Gandhipuram. Following the purchase, the petitioner submitted an application bearing No. 20240103/12578177 dated 13.05.2024 to the 3rd respondent for the transfer of patta in his name. The petitioner submits that over 70 individuals in the same residential layout under the very same Survey No.314/2A have already been granted patta by the revenue authorities. Despite submitting repeated reminders dated 29.10.2025, 24.07.2026, and a final representation dated 24.09.2026, the applications have been kept pending without any action, causing hardship to the petitioner. Hence, the present Writ Petition.

3. The learned Government Advocate appearing on behalf of the respondent Nos. 1 to 3 submits that the applications and representation submitted by the petitioner will be considered and disposed of by the official respondents 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 third respondent to consider the petitioner's initial application dated 13.05.2024 and subsequent representations for the grant of patta for land site No. 152, situated at Green Park Avenue, Kalappati Road, Coimbatore comprised in Survey No.314/2A. The 3rd respondent shall, after conducting a field verification and 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 made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the claim made by the parties.

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

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