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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.11.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

WP Crl. No. 3143 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012778882026}

Rani
W/o Pathirachalam

Case QR

..Petitioner

Vs

1. The Inspector of Police
   Kadampuliyur Police Station,
   Cuddalore District.

2. The Tahsildar
   Panrutti, Cuddalore District.

3. J.D.Ananth
   S/o Dhakshanamoorthi

4. J.D.Murugan
   S/o Dhakshanamoorthi

5. Jaganath
   S/o Selvarasu

6. Sankar
   S/o Pazhani

7. Puruzhothaman
   S/o Gunasekaran

8. Arumugam
   S/o Ramanujam

..Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the 1st Respondent to consider the Petitioner's representation dated 10.11.2026 and provide adequate police protection to the officials of the Revenue Department for

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conducting survey and measurement of petitioner's land measuring 0.9.5 Ares comprised in Survey No.550/3, Old Survey No.275/2 situated at Kadampuliyur Village,Panruti Taluk,Cuddalore District.

For Petitioner: Mr.K.Vijayakumar

For Respondents: Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar,
Government Advocate (Criminal Side) for R1
Mr.Alagu Narayan
for Mr.B.Prashanth Nadaraj,
Government Advocate for R2

ORDER

Heard Mr.K.Vijayakumar for the petitioner, Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar for the first respondent and Mr.Alagu Narayanan representing Mr.B.Prashanth Nadaraj for the second respondent.

2. The petitioner states that her husband is the owner of the property situated at Survey No.550/3, Old Survey No.275/2, Kadampuliyur Village, Panruti Taluk, Cuddalore District. Subsequently, the petitioner's husband had registered a gift deed in her favour on 06.03.2026. The petitioner instituted a civil suit in O.S.No.475 of 2022 on the file of the Sub Court, Panruti seeking declaration of title. The same was also decreed in her favour by judgment and decree dated 07.02.2024.. After mutation of revenue records, the petitioner had moved an application for surveying the property.

3. When the survey commenced on 06.12.2024, respondents 3 to 8 alleged to have not only obstructed the survey but also has abused the

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officials. Therefore, the petitioner submitted a detailed representation dated 10.11.2026 to the first respondent. Since no action has been taken, the petitioner is before this Court seeking for survey along with police protection.

4. Mr.Alagu Narayanan, representing Mr.B.Prashanth Nadaraj, reports that the Tahsildar had given him instructions to state that the survey will be conducted on 10.12.2026 at 11.00 a.m.

5. The power to survey a land flows out of the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Survey and Boundaries Act, 1923 (Tamil Nadu Act No. 8 of 1923) and the Rules made thereunder and the Survey Manual. While conducting a survey, the Revenue Department is discharging the duties imposed under the Act and the Rules made thereunder. They are entitled to be protected while performing their official duties. Therefore, the first respondent police will afford protection to the second respondent to carry out the survey. Before the survey is conducted, the first respondent shall put respondents 3 to 8 or any other person(s), who might claim interest over the property, on notice. Once the survey is completed, the police protection that will be granted by the first respondent will stand withdrawn immediately. Under the guise of survey, no person must be dispossessed from the property. If despite the survey, disputes continue between the petitioner and any private party including the private respondents, it will be resolved by the jurisdictional Civil Court.

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6. The writ petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

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