



W.P.No.625 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.01.2026

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

W.P.No.625 of 2026

and W.M.P.Nos.752 and 753 of 2026

1.Kanmal Gadia

2.Ruvender Mull Gadia

Both residing at
Old No.30, New No.85,
Thiruvalluvar Salai,
Teynampet, Chennai-600 018.

Petitioners

Vs

1.The Government of Tamil Nadu
Rep. by its Secretary,
Housing and Urban Development
Department,
Fort St. George,
Chennai-600 009.

2.The Commissioner
Greater Chennai Corporation,
Ripon Building,
Chennai-600 003.



W.P.No.625 of 2026

3.The Executive Engineer No.9,
Greater Chennai Corporation,
Chennai.

4.The Assistant Executive Engineer
Zone-IX,
Greater Chennai Corporation,
No.1, Lake Area, 4th Cross Street,
Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 034.

Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the 3rd respondent to remove the lock and seal put on the premises at Old No.30, New No.85, Thiruvalluvar Salai, Teynampet, Chennai-600 018 pending disposal of the Appeal dated 12.12.2025 filed by the petitioners under Section 80A of Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act.

For Petitioners: Mr.M.Jaikumar

For Respondents: Mr. M.Habeeb Rahman
Government Advocate
for R1

Mr. D.B.R.Prabhu
Standing Counsel
for R2 to R4

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

Heard learned counsel for the parties.



W.P.No.625 of 2026

WEB COPY

2. The prayer for issuance of direction to remove the lock and seal during the pendency of the revision filed under Section 80A of the Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act, 1971 is misconceived in law. Whether the lock and seal is to be removed or not would depend upon the outcome of the pending revision before the authority. Therefore, mandamus, as sought by the petitioners, cannot be granted.

3. The writ petition is dismissed, however, with an observation that the petitioners may pray for expeditious disposal of the interim application/revision before the authority. There shall be no order as to costs. W.M.P.No.752 of 2026 filed to permit the petitioners to file a single writ petition stands allowed, inasmuch as the petitioners have paid separate court-fee. W.M.P.No.753 of 2026 is closed.

(MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA, CJ) (G.ARUL MURUGAN,J)
20.01.2026

Index : Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
bbr



W.P.No.625 of 2026

To:

- 1.The Secretary,
Government of Tamil Nadu
Housing and Urban Development Department,
Fort St. George, Chennai-600 009.
- 2.The Commissioner
Greater Chennai Corporation,
Ripon Building, Chennai-600 003.
- 3.The Executive Engineer No.9,
Greater Chennai Corporation,
Chennai.
- 4.The Assistant Executive Engineer
Zone-IX, Greater Chennai Corporation,
No.1, Lake Area, 4th Cross Street,
Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 034.



WEB COPY



W.P.No.625 of 2026

THE HON'BLE CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
G.ARUL MURUGAN,J.

bbr

W.P.No.625 of 2026

20.01.2026