



W.P(MD)No. 2808 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED :03.02.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

W.P(MD)No. 2808 of 2023
and
W.M.P.(MD) No.2607 of 2023

P.Thiru Tamil Arasu

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep by its Principal Secretary,
Public Works Department,
Fort St George,
Chennai.

2. The District Collector,
Kanyakumari District,
Kanyakumari.

3. The State Ground and Surface Water Resources Data Center,
Rep by its Chief Engineer,
Tharamani,
Chennai-600 113.

4. The Tahsildar,
Agastheeswaram Taluk,
Kanyakumari District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the



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respondents no.3 to issue No Objection certificate for drawing ground water from petitioner's patta lands in S.No. 426/7, Kovalam Village, Agastheeswaram Taluk, Kanyakumari District within a time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Mahaboob Fazil
M/s.Lajapathi Roy and Associates

For Respondents : Mr.B. Saravanan
Additional Government Pleader

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed seeking mandamus directing the third respondent to issue 'No Objection Certificate' for drawing ground water from the petitioner's patta land in survey No. 426/7, Kovalam Village, Agastheeswaram Taluk, Kanyakumari District.

2. In the affidavit, the petitioner has contended that the petitioner intends to draw the ground water for the purpose of commercially supplying the same to the agriculturists. Hence, the petitioner has made an application to the third respondent on 04.02.2023. So far, no orders have been passed. Hence, the present writ petition.



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3. Considering the abovesaid fact, the third respondent is directed to consider the application made by the writ petitioner and pass orders on merits and in accordance with law in the light of G.O.(Ms).No.142, Public Works (R2) Department, dated 23.07.2014 and G.O.(Ms).No.15, Water Resources (R1) Department, dated 28.03.2023 and pass orders within four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. With the said observations, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

NCS : Yes/No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes / No
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