



W.P.(MD) No.3654 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 10.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.SURENDER

W.P.(MD)No.3654 of 2026

Manikandan

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The District Collector,
O/o.the District Collector,
Ramanathapuram District.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
O/o.the Revenue Divisional Officer,
Ramanathapuram District.

3.Kalimuthu

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the second respondent to conduct enquiry and dispose the petition filed by the petitioner dated 20.09.2023 within the time frame fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner	: Mr.J.Jeyaram Sidharth
For Respondents	: Mr.P.Subbaraj (for R1 & R2) Special Government Pleader

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed directing the second respondent to conduct enquiry and dispose the petition filed by the petitioner dated 20.09.2023.



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2. By consent, the Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

3. Since no adverse orders are going to be passed against the third respondent, notice to the third respondent is hereby dispensed with.

4. According to the petitioner, he has filed an application dated 20.09.2023 to the second respondent seeking cancellation of the disputed patta standing in favour of the third respondent and retention of the petitioner's name, which is still pending before the second respondent without any final decision, despite the long lapse of time. The petitioner contends that the prolonged inaction of the second respondent is arbitrary and has caused undue hardship, necessitating the intervention of this Court. Hence, the present Writ Petition.

5. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 and 2 submits that the petitioner's petition will be considered and appropriate orders will be passed accordance with law, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.



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6. Recording the above submissions, this Writ Petition is disposed of, with a direction to the second respondent to consider the petitioner's petition, dated 20.09.2023, on merits and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, after giving due opportunity to the petitioner and the third respondent, as well as all other persons, who may be interested in the subject matter, within twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is also made clear that this Court has not expressed any of its views with regard to the merits of the matter and that it is open to the second respondent to consider the same on its own merits. There shall be no order as to costs.

(K.SURENDER, J.)
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