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W.P.(MD)NO.7168 OF 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 18.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI

W.P.(MD)No.7168 of 2026 AND

W.M.P.(MD)No.5863 of 2026

Malai Dinesh

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi.
2. The Additional Director of Panchayat,
Thoothukudi District Collector's Office,
Thoothukudi.
3. The Tahsildar,
Srivaikundam Taluk Office,
Srivaikundam,
Thoothukudi District.
4. The Block Development Officer,
O/o.the Block Development Office,
Srivaikundam,
Thoothukudi District.
5. The Panchayat Secretary,
Sri Parangusanallur Panchayat,
Sri Parangusanallur,
Srivaikundam Taluk,
Thoothukudi District.



6. The TDTA PS School,
Rep. by its Headmaster,
situating in South Street,
Near to Vedha Kovil, Alwarthoppu,
Sri Parangusanallur, Srivaikundam Taluk,
Thoothukudi District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to forbear the respondents from constructing the Anganwadi centre in the land in survey No.134/64, Alwarthoppu, Sri Parangusanallur, Srivaikundam Taluk, Thoothukudi District and consequently, to shift the said Anganwadi center to any other suitable place in the petitioner's village, by considering the petitioner's representations dated 21.02.2026 and 03.03.2026 within the time limit that may be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.S.Jeyakarthik

For Respondents : Mr.S.Vinodh,
Government Advocate for R-1 to R-6.

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ORDER

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner and the learned Government Advocate appearing for the official respondents.

2. Issuance of notice to the sixth respondent is dispensed with.



3. The writ petitioner is a resident of Alwarthoppu. He alleges that at the instance of the sixth respondent school, an Anganwadi Centre is being constructed in a water body. Hence, this petition has been filed to forbear the authorities from doing so.

4. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate submitted that the water body is located only in survey No.134/64. The present construction is to come up in survey No.134/61 and not in survey No.134/64. We notice from the extracts of the revenue record that survey No.134/64 has been classified as “vacant site and Kuttam”. Kuttam is said to be a synonym for a water body. The extent of the water body is not specified in the revenue record. We make it clear that the water body existing in survey No.134/64 shall not be disturbed at any cost. This writ petition stands disposed of accordingly. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

(G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.) & (B.PUGALENDHI, J.)
18th March 2026

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