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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated: 25.03.2026

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE D.BHARATHA
CHAKRAVARTHY**

**W.P(MD)No.7856 of 2026
and
W.M.P(MD)No.6438 of 2026**

K.S.Marimuthu

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Inspector General of Registration,
Office of Inspector General of Registration,
Chennai.

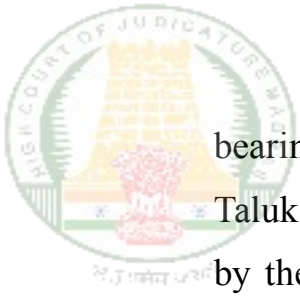
2.The District Registrar,
Registration Department,
Thoothukudi District.

3.The Sub Registrar,
Registration Department,
Pudukkottai Sub Registrar's Office,
Thoothukudi District.

4.P.Rathinam

...Respondents

Writ Petitions are filed under article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 3 herein seeking to conduct a detailed enquiry under Section 22-A of the Registration Act, to refuse registration of any document pertaining to the Arulmigu Santhi Vinayagar Temple comprised in Survey No.1567C/12B2



bearing Patta No.881 situated at Mudivaithanendal Village, Thoothukudi Taluk, Thoothukudi District, and cancel all fraudulent entries already made by the 4th respondent and anyone claiming through them in respect of the said temple property by encumbrance certificate, based on the petitioner's petition dated 19.01.2026.

For Petitioner
For R1 to R3

:M/s.J.Lawrance
:Mr.F.Deepak,
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

This writ petition is disposed of at the admission stage, without notice to the private parties, in view of the nature of relief that is granted and no rights of the parties are decided.

2.The petitioner claims to be the trustee of Arulmigu Santhi Vinayagar Temple and it is the claim of the petitioner that the Survey No.1567-C/12B2 belongs to the temple and the private respondent and others are dealing with the said property. On behalf of the temple, an objection is given to the third respondent, Sub-Register. If the property belongs to the temple, any alienation made by the third party will not bind the temple and as other remedies to secure possession, by invoking the jurisdiction of the authorities under Section 78 / 79 of the Tamil Nadu HR&C Act.



3. With reference to the contention, as and when any document is presented by any other party other than the temple, the petition of the Temple dated 19.12.2026 shall be taken as the objection received under Section 22A of the Act, and it is for the Sub-Registrar to conduct an inquiry as contemplated by the Division Bench of this Court in ***Sudha Ravi Kumar and another vs. The Special Commissioner and Commissioner, Hindu Religious and charitable Endowments Department, Chennai and others***, reported in ***(2017) 3 CTC 135***.

4. With the above observations and directions, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

25.03.2026

NCC:Yes/No

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