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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 10.04.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR

W.P.(MD)No.10239 of 2026

1.D.Sethupathy
2.K.Velladurai .. Petitioners

- Vs. -

1.The Sub Registrar,
Joint-I Sub Registrar Office,
Palani Taluk, Dindigul District.

2.M/s.Thirupugal Swamigal Murugadas Swamigal
@ Dhandapani Swamigal Trust,
Represented by M.D. Murugadass
S/o Mr. Dhandapani
3rd Cross Street,
Kamarajar Nagar Extension,
Villupuram. .. Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records relating to the impugned refusal slip issued by the first respondent in RFL/1, Joint Sub Registrar, Palani/32/2026 dated 01.04.2026 and quash the same and consequently, direct the first respondent to register the sale deed dated 27.03.2026 presented by the petitioners.

For Petitioners : Mr. M. Thirunavukkarasu
For R1 : Mr. A. Baskaran
Additional Government Pleader

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ORDER

The petitioners, claiming to be the owners of the property comprised in T.S. No. 2 (corresponding to T.S. No. 03, Ward No. 25, Block T.S. Nos. 998 and 999), measuring an extent of 1.35 acres of wet land situated in Palani Taluk, Dindigul District, had presented a sale deed executed in favour of the purchaser on 27.03.2026 for registration. However, the first respondent refused to register the said sale deed on the ground that O.S. Nos. 358 of 2018 and 545 of 2016 were pending, in which the subject property formed part of the suit schedule properties.

2. The petitioners contend that the first respondent has no authority to adjudicate upon the question of title, and that mere pendency of civil suits cannot be a ground to refuse registration unless there is an order of restraint operating against them. Therefore, the refusal to register the sale deed is arbitrary and unsustainable.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that both the said suits were dismissed on 02.09.2025 and, therefore, there is no legal impediment for registration of the sale deed.

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4. In view of the above, this Writ Petition is allowed. The impugned refusal slip dated 01.04.2026 issued by the first respondent is hereby quashed. The first respondent is directed to register the sale deed dated 27.03.2026, subject to the document being otherwise in order. The said exercise shall be completed within a period of one (1) week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. There shall be no order as to costs.

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To

The Sub Registrar,
Joint-I Sub Registrar Office,
Palani Taluk, Dindigul District.

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