



W.P(MD)No.10069 of 2026

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 10.04.2026

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR
and
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN**

**W.P(MD)No.10069 of 2026
and
W.M.P(MD)No.7933 of 2026**

S.Thavamani

... Petitioner

vs.

1.The District Collector,
O/o. The District Collector,
Madurai District, Madurai.

2.The District Revenue Officer,
O/o. The District Revenue Office,
Madurai District.

3.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
O/o. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Madurai District.

4.The Tahsildar,
O/o. The Tahsildar Office,
Vadipatti Taluk, Madurai District.

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5.The Assistant Director,
Geology and Mining Department,
District Collectorate Campus,
Madurai District.

6.Dhanaraj

7.Selvaraj

8.Rajmohan

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents 1 to 5 to take appropriate action against the respondent 6 to 8, who have involved illegal mining and transported in their patta lands bearing Survey Nos.41/2 (Patta No.213), 41/1 (Patta No.195), 50/1B2B1 (Patta No.1584), 42/3C (Patta No.1258), 89/3D (Patta No.1671) and 50/1B (Patta No.1660) situated at 68 Mettupatti Village, Vadipatti Taluk, Madurai District, and the officials who helped them by considering the petitioner's representation dated 07.03.2026 within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Thirumurugan

For Respondents : Mr.D.Sasi Kumar (R1 to R5)
Additional Government Pleader



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ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by N.SATHISH KUMAR, J.)

The petitioner has filed the present Writ Petition seeking a direction to the respondents 1 to 5 to take appropriate action against the respondents 6 to 8, who are alleged to have been involved in illegal mining and transportation of minerals from their patta lands bearing Survey Nos.41/2 (Patta No.213), 41/1 (Patta No.195), 50/1B2B1 (Patta No.1584), 42/3C (Patta No.1258), 89/3D (Patta No.1671), and 50/1B (Patta No.1660), situated at Mettupatti Village, Vadipatti Taluk, Madurai District, and also against the officials who allegedly aided them, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 07.03.2026.

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

3.Mr.D.Sasi Kumar, learned Additional Government Pleader, accepts notice for the respondents 1 to 5. Considering the limited relief sought by the petitioner, notice to the respondents 6 to 8 is dispensed with.



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4.It is the contention of the petitioner that the respondents 6 to 8 are engaged in illegal mining activities without obtaining any permission, excavating the aforesaid lands to a depth exceeding 10 feet, and transporting the excavated materials to outside locations using vehicles. In this regard, the petitioner submitted a representation dated 07.03.2026 to the authorities concerned. Since the same has not been considered so far, the present Writ Petition has been filed.

5.The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for respondents 1 to 5, on instructions, submitted that the petitioner's representation dated 07.03.2026 would be considered and that the authorities concerned would conduct an inspection of the land in question in the presence of all parties concerned. He further submitted that appropriate action would be taken if any violation in excavation in the patta land is found.

6.In view of the above, the fifth respondent is directed to



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conduct an inspection of the place in question, after issuing notice to the petitioner, the respondents 6 to 8, and all other parties concerned, if any, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. If any violation is found, the fifth respondent shall take necessary action, after affording sufficient opportunity of personal hearing to all parties concerned and by following due process of law, within a period of three months thereafter.

7. With the above directions, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

[N.S.K.,J.] [M.J.R.,J.]
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