



W.P.(MD)No.14848 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 04.06.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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Subramanian

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The District Collector,
Trichy District,
Trichy.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Musiri Revenue Division,
Musiri,
Trichy District.

3.The Tahsildar,
Musiri Taluk Office,
Musiri,
Trichy District.

4.The Village Administrative Officer /
Registrar of Birth and Death,
Valavanthy East Village Panchayat,
Valavanthy,
Musiri Taluk,
Trichy District.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, to call for the



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records in pertaining to the impugned order of the 3rd respondent through his proceedings in Mo.Mu.A4/9948/2025 dated 20.02.2026 and quash the same as illegal, consequently direct the 3rd respondent to rectify the petitioner's grandfather's father name Mookan instead of Karivandan in death certificate bearing Registration No.D-2023-33-10830-000011.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Anandraj

For Respondents : Mr.R.Parthiban
Government Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filled challenging the impugned order dated 20.02.2026. By the said the order, the prayer of the petitioner to correct an entry in the death certificate of his grandfather is rejected.

2.The grandfather of the petitioner is one Veerakumaran. He died on 25.08.1998. The same was not immediately recorded. The petitioner filed CMP No.1343 of 2023 before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Musiri to record the same and an order dated 20.06.2003 was passed pursuant to which the death was recorded. While furnishing Form-II which has the particulars of the deceased, the name of the deceased was mentioned as “Veerakumaran”. In Column No.5, which required the father's name of the deceased, the petitioner ought to have mentioned “Mookan”, who was the father of Veerakumaran. However, the petitioner being an illiterate did not understand the question



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properly and gave his father's name which is “Karivandan”. Therefore, the same is carried out in the death certificate. When the petitioner sought correction of the said entry by making the present application, the same was rejected and hence the petitioner is before this Court.

3.The learned Government Standing Counsel submitted that, during the field enquiry conducted by the officials, the villagers informed them that the petitioner's great-grandfather's name was Karivandan and not Mookan. Hence, the petitioner's request was rejected. He further submitted that the entry was originally made on the basis of the particulars furnished by the petitioner himself.

4.I have considered the rival submissions made on either side and perused the material records of the case.

5.The petitioner has annexed the patta passbook of Veerakumaran in respect of the lands owned by him. The patta passbook shows the name of the landowner as “Veerakumaran” and also record his father's name as “Mookan”. Apart from the same, the said Veerakumaran is also said to have executed a registered Will dated 06.02.1995. In the said Will also, he has described himself as “Veerakumaran, S/o.Mookan”.



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6. In view of these two clinching documents produced by the petitioner, I am of the view that the contention of the petitioner that his father's name is also known as “Mookan alias Karivandan” and by wrongly understanding the question he has furnished his father's name, appears plausible. Therefore, I am of the view that the impugned order cannot be sustained and that one more opportunity can be granted to the petitioner to convince the authorities that the said Veerakumaran was the son of Mookan and not Karivandan.

7. The Writ Petition is disposed of on the following terms:

i) The impugned order dated 20.02.2026 shall stand set aside and the matter is remanded to the file of the respondents 3 and 4;

ii) The petitioner shall appear before the respondents 3 and 4 and produce the documentary proof in his possession to claim that the said Veerakumaran is only the son of Mookan and upon production of the document, enquiry may again be conducted.

iii) The authorities may also examine the villagers, if necessary, in the presence of the petitioner, and thereafter take a fresh decision in the matter. If there is only one Veerakumaran



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and it is not an attempt to impersonate any person or make any wrongfully claim over the property, the innocuous error that is committed while furnishing the particulars can be corrected;

iv) The aforesaid excise should be completed within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a web copy of this order;

v) No costs.

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NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes/ No
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