



W.P(MD)No.17400 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated : 23.06.2026

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

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and

WMP(MD)No.12874 of 2026

Mrs.M.Mallika

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
District Collector's Office,
Madurai District.

2. The District Revenue Officer,
District Collector's Office,
Madurai District.

3. The Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) and Executive Magistrate,
Vellaripatti, Melur Division,
Madurai District.

4. The Block Development Officer (BDO),
Block Development Office/ Panchayat Union Office Building,
Melur Taluk, Madurai District.

5. Mr.P.Arumugam

... Respondents

PRAYER :- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing respondents to immediately demolish and remove the latrine structure constructed across the public pathway Survey No.741/22, Gramanatham, Vellalur Village, Melur



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Taluk, Madurai District, and restore the public pathway to its original state and ensure free movement to and from Survey No.741/21, to take necessary action against the 5th respondent Mr. Arumugam (son of Periyampillai) for the illegal encroachment.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.M.Lankaram
For R1 to R4 : Mr.C.Jeganathan, Counsel for State

ORDER

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

The prayer in this writ petition is to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to immediately demolish and remove the latrine structure constructed across the public pathway Survey No.741/22, Gramanatham, Vellalur Village, Melur Taluk, Madurai District, and restore the public pathway to its original state and ensure free movement to and from Survey No.741/21, and to take necessary action against the 5th respondent Mr. Arumugam (son of Periyampillai) for the illegal encroachment.

2. Learned counsel appearing for the respondents would submit that the authorities will conduct survey in the place in question and if there is any encroachment therein, after hearing both sides, appropriate action will be taken for removal of the same.



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3. In such a view of the matter, let the authorities issue notice to the petitioner and the private respondent, make survey of the place in question in their presence. If the survey/inspection reveals any encroachment, the authorities shall take steps to remove the same by due process of law after giving opportunity to both sides including the private respondent. Such an exercise shall be completed within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. With the above direction, 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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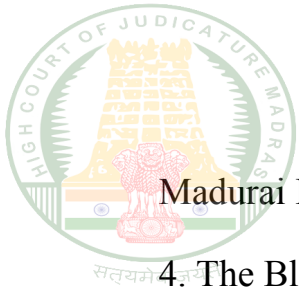
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