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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 29-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.VELMURUGAN

AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.K. RAMAKRISHNAN

WP(MD) No. 26317 of 2022
and
W.M.P.(MD)No.20493 of 2022

CNR:{HCMD011131362022}

1. R.Kulandhaivel
2. K.Thambiyappa
3. C.Mohan
4. C.Paramasivam
5. C.Nadimuthu

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The District Collector
   Office of the District Collector,
   Thanjavur 613 010.
2. The District Revenue Officer
   Office of the District Collector,
   Thanjavur 613 010.
3. The Revenue Divisional Officer
   Regional Revenue Officer,
   Thanjavur 613 017.
4. The Tahsildar
   Orathanadu Taluk,
   Thanjavur District.

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5. The Senior Zonal Manager
   Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation,
   Sachithanantha Moopanar Road, Thanjavur 7.

6. The Block Development Officer
   Panchayat Union Office, Thiruvonam.

7. The President
   Vadakkukottai Village Panchayat, Vadakkukottai Village, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur District.

8. Samiyayya

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to protect and preserve the lands belonging to Arulmighu Sri Singamperumal Sri Muthaiyyan Sri Nachiyaramman temple located in Sy.Nos. 169/3 (87 ares), 64 (2.48 hectares), 65/7 (51 ares), 72 (3.19.5 hectares), 74/5 (59.5 ares). 74/6 (19.5 ares) and 73/2 (1.46.5 Hectares), Vadakkukottai Village, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur District and restrain the respondents from utilising/alienating/assigning/transferring any portion of the temple lands and from constructing any permanent structures therein (in the form of direct paddy procurement centre or any other form) for purposes other than the beneficial interests of the temple in the lands belonging to the temple.

For Petitioner(s) : Mr.Y. Jagadeesh

For Respondent(s) : Mr.M.P.Senthil (R1 to R4 & R6)
Mr.A.N.Ramanathan (R7)
No Appearance (R5)

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ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by P. VELMURUGAN J.)

This writ petition is filed seeking a direction to the respondents to protect and preserve the lands belonging to Arulmighu Sri Singamperumal Sri Muthaiyyan Sri Nachiyaramman temple located in Sy.Nos. 169/3 (87 ares), 64 (2.48 hectares), 65/7 (51 ares), 72 (3.19.5 hectares), 74/5 (59.5 ares). 74/6 (19.5 ares) and 73/2 (1.46.5 Hectares), Vadakkukottai Village, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur District and restrain the respondents from utilising/alienating/assigning/transferring any portion of the temple lands and from constructing any permanent structures therein (in the form of direct paddy procurement centre or any other form) for purposes other than the beneficial interests of the temple in the lands belonging to the temple.

2. The writ petition is filed seeking to protect the temple lands situated in Survey No.169/3 of Vadakkukottai Village, Thanjavur District. The petitioners contend that the respondents are attempting to utilise the temple lands for establishing a Direct Procurement Centre and constructing a threshing floor. They further allege that attempts are being made to alter the classification and subdivide the temple lands. Though representations were submitted to the authorities, no action has been

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taken. Hence, the petitioners seek to restrain the respondents from altering the classification or undertaking any construction in the temple lands.

3. The learned Government Pleader appearing on behalf of the official respondents, on instructions, submits that so far they have not received any application from the public or anyone for conversion of the subject land into paddy procurement centre.

4. In view of the above submission, this Court is of the view that merely on the apprehension expressed by the petitioners, in the absence of any valid materials, the relief sought for by the petitioner cannot be granted.

5. Recording the above said submission, this writ petition is closed. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

(P.V.,J.) (K.K.R.K.,J.)
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