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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 29-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

WP(MD) No. 30702 of 2026

CNR:{HCMD011519172026}

WMP(MD) No. 23449 of 2026

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Door No.4/390 (236/1),
Anthoniyar Street,
Pallapatti Village,
Begambur Post,
Dindigul West Taluk,
Dindigul District - 624 002

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Principal Secretary to Government
   Rural Development and Panchayat Raj
   Department,
   Government of Tamil Nadu,
   Fort St. George,
   Chennai - 600 009

2. THE District Collector / Inspector of Panchayats
   Collectorate Complex,
   Dindigul District - 624 004

3. The Revenue Divisional Officer
   Dindigul Division,
   Dindigul District- 624 001

4. The Tahsildar
   Dindigul West Taluk,
   Dindigul District - 624 001

5. The Assistant Director (Panchayats)
   Collectorate Campus,
   Dindigul District- 624 004

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6. The Block Development Officer (Village Panchayats)
   Dindigul Panchayat Union,
   Dindigul District - 624 001

7. The Executive Authority / President
   Pallapatti Village Panchayat,
   Dindigul West Taluk,
   Dindigul District - 624 801

8. THE Superintending Engineer
   Dindigul Electricity Distribution Circle,
   TANGEDCO,
   Dindigul District - 624 002

..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 remove the encroachment made upon the petitioner's land by laying the road, drainage and drinking water pipelines and by erecting an electric pole therein.

For Petitioner(s) :M/s Nivas Gokul M

For Respondent(s) : Mr.T.Thirumurugan – for R1 to R5
Special Government Pleader

Mr.S.Sivasubramanian – for R6 & R7

Mr.Bageerathan – for R8
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed seeking to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to remove the encroachment made upon the

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petitioner’s land by laying the road, drainage and drinking water pipelines and by erecting an electric pole therein.

2. The claim of the petitioner is that a private individual namely Moorthi has encroached upon the public road and land, pursuant to which the Panchayat concerned is trying to lay road upon the petitioners' land. In view of the same, he sought the indulgence of this Court seeking to direct the Revenue Authorities to survey the land and mark the boundaries of the petitioner's land and thereafter proceed with the laying of road or putting up of drainage, whatever infrastructure development required for the village.

3. Heard the learned counsel on either side and carefully perused the materials available on record.

4. In view of the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the third respondent is directed to conduct a survey, in the presence of the Taluk Surveyor, and measure and demarcate the petitioner's property situated in Survey No. 486/25, Pallapatti Village, Dindigul West Taluk, with reference to the FMB sketch, revenue records and the petitioner's title deeds, and ascertain whether there is any

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encroachment upon the petitioner's property, as alleged by him. If the petitioner's claim is found to be true, the third respondent shall take necessary steps to remove the encroachment and thereafter proceed in the matter in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and the said Moorthy, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition stands closed.

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Index: Yes/No
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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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