



W.P.(MD)No.2008 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 29.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.SURENDER

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The Ventrilingapuram Arulmigu Murugan
Temple Trust,
Represented by its Trustee,
Duraimani, S/o.Vennilinga Nadar,
Door No.303-A, Raisemill Street,
Vennilingapuram, Pattadaikatti Village,
Sankarankovil Taluk,
Tenkasi District.

... Petitioner

-VS-

- 1.The District Collector,
Tenkasi Distrit,
Tenkasi.
- 2.The Tahsildar,
Sankarankovil Taluk, Tenkasi District.
- 3.The Village Administrative Officer,
Pattadaikatti Village Panchayat,
Sankarankovil Taluk,
Tenkasi District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 28.10.2025 and earlier patta application dated 05.09.2025 and to issue individual patta in the name of Arulmigu Murugan Temple, Present



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Trustee V.Duraimani corresponding to the temple property in Survey No.15/16 Pattadaikatti Village, Sankarankovil Taluk, Tenkasi District, within time limit that may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Mathava Selvam

For Respondents : Mr.S.Kameswaran
Government Advocate

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 28.10.2025 and patta application dated 05.09.2025 and to issue an individual patta in favour of Arulmigu Murugan Temple, represented by its Trustee, V. Duraimani, in respect of the property in Survey No.15/16, Pattadaikatti Village, Sankarankovil Taluk, Tenkasi District, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

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

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the subject property belongs to Arulmigu Murugan Temple and that the petitioner is the present Trustee of the said temple. The petitioner had submitted a patta



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application dated 05.09.2025, followed by a representation dated 28.10.2025, seeking issuance of an individual patta in respect of the temple property situated in Survey No.15/16, Pattadaikatti Village, Sankarankovil Taluk, Tenkasi District. Despite the same, the respondents have not considered the petitioner's application and representation till date. The inaction on the part of the respondents is arbitrary and has compelled the petitioner to approach this Court.

4. The learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondents would submit that the petitioner's application will be considered on its merits and appropriate orders will be passed in accordance with law, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

5. Recording the above submission, and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the matter, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the second respondent to consider the petitioner's application dated 05.09.2025, on merits and in accordance with law and pass appropriate orders within a period of sixteen weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The application shall be considered and disposed of after conducting an enquiry. The second respondent is directed to provide reasonable opportunity during such enquiry to



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the petitioner and also any other persons, who may be affected by such decision.

There shall be no order as to costs.

NCC : Yes / No

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