



WP NO. 10660 of 2023



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 17-11-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

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M.Ganesh, B.Tech, (DECEASED)
S/o. Late U.Mookiah, No. 72, Pettaiyan Chathram, Puducherry.
and 4 Others

Petitioner(s)

Vs

Chief Secretary
Government of Puducherry, Puducherry. and another

Respondent(s)

For Petitioner(s):

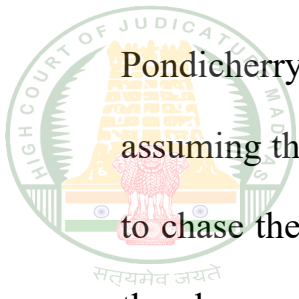
Mr.L.G.Sahadevan

For Respondent(s):

Mr.R.Sreedhar,
Additional Government Pleader (Puducherry)

ORDER

In the present case, under the Pondicherry Land Reforms Act, the the petitioners' land was acquired. However, no compensation was paid and the possession has also not taken. It is pertinent to note that the original land owner sold the said property to the third party and from the third party, the petitioners' have purchased the present land. Moreso, the Pondicherry Land Reforms Act is not yet completely implemented / given effect. Even in the petitioners' case, they have not taken over the possession of the land. Under these circumstances, they have come with the notification to declare the subject property as “Industrial zone”. Therefore, the question has to be decided is, whether the



Pondicherry Land Reforms Act would apply for the present survey number or not.

assuming the Pondicherry Land Reforms Act would apply, the respondents are supposed to chase the excess land holders and acquire the remaining land and not the land, what they have sold. Further, it was submitted that in the present case the object of the Act is not going to be achieved by virtue of declaring the subject survey number, which are all meant for the industrial purposes.

2. Learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents seeks time to file a counter.

3. List the case on 20.11.2025 under the caption “For orders” immediately after admission.

17-11-2025

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To

1. Chief Secretary
Government of Puducherry, Puducherry.

2. Deputy Collector(Revenue)-Cum-
Authorised Officer, (Land Reforms), Karaikal, Government of Puducherry, Karaikal.