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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 01-04-2026**

CORAM

**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S. M. SUBRAMANIAM**

**AND**

**THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K. SURENDER**

**WP No. 24384 of 2022**

D.Murugaiyan

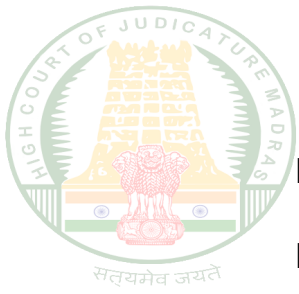
..Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,  
Puducherry.
2. The Office of Tahsildar,  
Taluk office,  
Oulgaret Town Panchayat,  
Puducherry- 605 010.
3. The Commissioner,  
The Department of Hindu Religious Institution,  
Pondicherry- 605 010.
4. The Special Officer,  
Sri Arulmigu Meenatchi Sundareswarar and  
Muthumariamman Devasthanam,  
Eshwaran Kovil Street,  
Marie Oulgaret,  
Puducherry - 605 010.
5. Murugan

..Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 4 to conduct survey of the temple land in survey No.179, 180N Sri Arulmigu Meenatchi Sundareswarar and Muthumariamman Temple, Marie Oulgaret, Puducherry and remove encroachment, and retrieve the said temple's land within a stipulated time.



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For Petitioner :

Mr.P.R.Thiruneelakandan

For Respondents :

Dr.B.Ramaswamy,  
Addl. Govt. Pleader (Puducherry) for R1 to R4

Mr.S.Kasiramalingam for R5

### **ORDER**

**(Order of the Court was made by S.M.Subramaniam J.)**

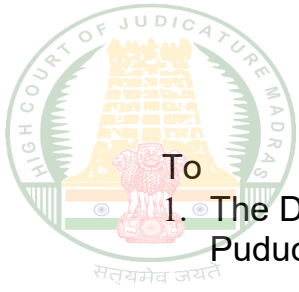
The Writ Petition has been instituted in the year 2022. Though the learned Additional Government Pleader (Puducherry) states that counter has already been filed, the learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that it is not filed. No such counter is available in the Court records.

2. In these circumstances, the official respondents are directed to file counter within a period of two (2) weeks from today, failing which they are liable to pay a sum of Rs.25,000/- towards costs.

3. Post the matter after two (2) weeks.

DSA

**(S.M.S.,J.) (K.S.,J.)**  
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