

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-09-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY

WP No. 35502 of 2026

C.Salai Thamaraiselvi
No.243, V Muttur Village, Veerichettipalli post,
gudiyatham, vellore - 632607.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, Fort St.George, chennai -
600009.
2. The District Collector
Vellore District, Vellore - 632009.
3. The District Revenue Officer
Vellore Taluk, Vellore District - 632009.
4. The Tahsildar
katpadi taluk, vellore District - 632007.
5. The commandant
Station Headquarters, Fort St.George, chennai -
600009.

..Respondent(s)

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.H.Karthik Seshadri

FOR M/S.IYER AND THOMAS

For Respondent(s):

Mr.A.Maheshnath, Government Advocate for R1
to R4
Mr.G.Venkatesan, Senior Panel Counsel for R5



Order

Mr. A. Maheshnath, learned Government Advocate, takes notice for respondents 1 to 4, and Mr. G. Venkatesan, learned Senior Panel Counsel, takes notice for the 5th respondent.

2. The petitioner is the daughter of one T.G. Ganapaty, a war-disabled Indian ex-serviceman. On 24.01.1962, he was provided an assignment of agricultural land under the scheme for jawans, wherein the petitioner's father was initially allotted 2.75 acres in S.F. No. 765/2, Ariyur Village, Vellore, and remained in possession and cultivation of the same. However, despite decades of representations, a patta was never granted.

3. Subsequently, on 16.03.2020, the Collector proposed the assignment of alternate land. Without insisting the original land in S.F. No. 765/2, the petitioner accepted the proposal for any suitable alternate land measuring 2.75 acres. Accordingly, the Tahsildar, vide proceedings dated 04.02.2021, proposed alternate land in S.F. No. 496/3, measuring 2 acres and 20 cents. Despite this proposal, the authorities took no steps for nearly five years to formally allocate the said extent of land.

4. Currently, the petitioner is in possession of 2.20 acres of land, out of which only 1 acre has been formally allotted to her. Though the initial proposal was to allot 2.20 acres, only 1 acre has been granted so far, even though the petitioner remains in possession of and continues to cultivate the 2.20 acres of land in S.F. No. 496/3. Therefore, she claims entitlement to the patta for the entire extent.

5. The learned Government Advocate appearing for respondents 1 to 4 drew the attention of this Court to the proceedings of the Tahsildar dated



04.02.2021. He submitted that while the petitioner is entitled to 2.20 acres of land, only 1 acre has been formally allotted subsequently, and prayed for a short accommodation to obtain instructions and file a report.

6. Even assuming the petitioner has only been formally allotted one acre, she is legally entitled to the allocation of the remaining extent. Therefore, the respondents are directed to allot the remaining land in her possession under S.F. No. 496/3. In the event that any portion of the said land is classified as a water body, the petitioner shall be allotted a remaining alternative tract of 1.20 acres (since 1 acre has already been allotted). The respondents are directed to file a report in this regard.

Post the matter on **28.09.2026**.

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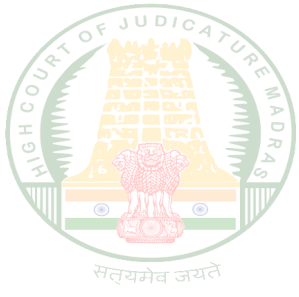
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