



W.P.No.3588 of 2023 and W.M.P. Nos.3650 and 3652 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 05.08.2025

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CORAM:
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.SUNDAR
and
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE T. VINOD KUMAR

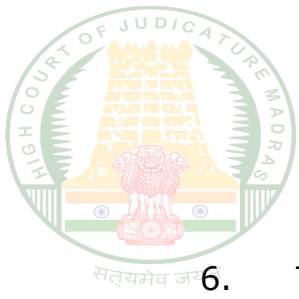
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Nathipriya

Petitioner

vs.

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government
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Chennai 600 009
2. The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Secretariat
Chennai 600 009
3. The District Collector
District Collector Office
Erode
Erode District
4. The Revenue Divisional Officer
Office of the Revenue Divisional Office
Gobichettipalayam
Erode District
5. The Tahsildar
Sathyamangalam Taluk
Sathyamangalam
Erode District



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6. The Village Administrative Officer
Pudhupeerkadavu Village
Sathyamangalam Taluk
Erode District

Respondents

For petitioner Mr. N. Vijayakumar

For respondents Mr. T.K. Saravanan
Addl. Govt. Pleader

ORDER

[made by M.SUNDAR, J.]

Subject matter of captioned main 'writ petition' [hereinafter 'WP' for the sake of brevity] is challenge to G.O. (Ms.) No.542, Revenue Department dated 31.12.2013 issued by R2 (Secretary, Revenue Department). This Government Order shall hereinafter and henceforth be referred to as 'impugned GO'.

2. Captioned matter is listed today under the cause list caption 'FOR DISMISSAL'. Mr. N. Vijayakumar, learned counsel on record for writ petitioner tendered apology for having missed the matter yesterday (04.08.2025). Apology is accepted. Caption 'FOR DISMISSAL' stands deleted and the matter is taken up for hearing.



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3. In and *vide* the impugned GO, lands comprised in as many as eight survey numbers, *viz.*, 'S.Nos.1/1, 2/2, 124/1, 124/2, 124/3, 125/2, 126 and 140/2 and an extent of 10.46.70 hectares therein being lands in Pudhupeerkadavu Village, Sathyamangalam Taluk, Erode District' [hereinafter 'said lands' for the sake of convenience and clarity], have been allotted to Special Task Force (STF).

4. Mr. N. Vijayakumar, learned counsel on record for writ petitioner, contends that two out of aforereferred eight survey numbers, *viz.*, S.Nos.1/1 and 2/2 are odai poramboke and they are of great significance for agriculture and wild life. Learned counsel submits that a representation dated 08.09.2022 had been sent in this regard but the same did not yield results and that has necessitated the captioned main WP.

5. Mr. T.K. Saravanan, learned Additional Government Pleader, who has filed counter affidavit dated 22.07.2024 of fifth respondent (Tahsildar), seeks time to get instructions *inter alia* on the following:



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i. Copy of Revenue records placed before us by writ petitioner show that S.No.1/1 is odai (stream), whereas, impugned GO refers to the same as 'Government poramboke belt area'.

ii. What exactly does 'belt area' mean?

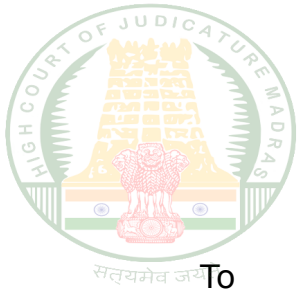
iii. Is STF requirement *qua* said lands still subsisting?

6. List four weeks hence.

7. List on 02.09.2025.

(M.S.,J.) (T.V.K. ,J.)
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