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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 16-03-2026**

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

**AND**

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

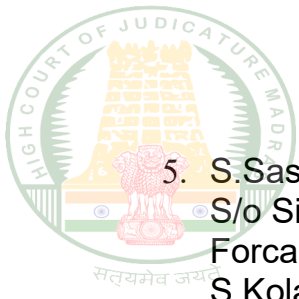
**WP No. 41422 of 2025**

**and**

**WMP Nos.46387, 46389, 46392 of 2025**

**& WMP No. 10804 of 2026**

1. V.R.Sakthivel  
S/o V.G Rajendiran Residing At G-1 Forcastle  
Bhavesh Apartments,  
No.97, S.Kolathur Village, Viduthalai Nagar  
Bakiyalakshmi Nagar, 3rd Street  
Sholinganalalur Taluk,  
Kancheepuram District.
2. J. Sarala Grace,  
W/o S.J. Hoseph, Residing At F-1 Forcastle  
Bhavesh Apartments, No 97s, Kolathur Village,  
Viduthalai Nagar Bakiyalakshmi Nagar, 3rd  
Street Sholinganalalur Taluk, Kancheepuram  
District
3. J. Samuel Rathnaraj,  
S/o S.J. Joseph, Residing At F-1 Forcastle  
Bhavesh Apartments, No 97,S.Kolathur  
Village, Viduthalai Nagar Bakiyalakshmi  
Nagar, 3rd Street Sholinganalalur Taluk,  
Kancheepuram District
4. Ramesh Chandra Guntireddy  
S/o Trinatham (sole Owner Of Apartment  
Bearign No F-2 And S-1 Of The Below Said  
Apartments) Residing At F-2 Forcastle  
Bhavesh Apartments, No 97,S.Kolathur  
Village, Viduthalai Nagar Bakiyalakshmi  
Nagar, 3rd Street Sholinganalalur Taluk,  
Kancheepuram District.



5. S.Sasikumar  
S/o Sivasubramanian Residing At S-2  
Forcastle Bhavesh Apartments, No 97,  
S.Kolathur Village, Viduthalai Nagar  
Bakiyalakshmi Nagar, 3rd Street  
Sholinganalalur Taluk, Kancheepuram District.

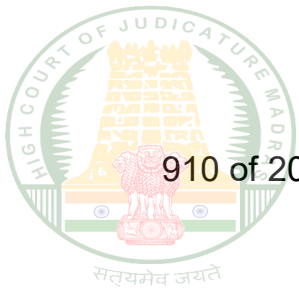
..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Secretary  
Government Of Tamil Nadu Water Resources  
Department
2. The District Collector  
Office Of The District Collector Chennai
3. Thasildar  
Sholinganallur Chennai
4. Exeucitve Engineer  
Water Resources Department Tiruvallur
5. Assistant Engineer  
Water Resources Department Krishna Drinking  
Water Scheme Division 3 Part II, (Tiruvallur)

..Respondent(s)

To call for the records of the 5th respondent in keelkatalai ubari kalvaai / dated 6.10.2025 and the consequential notice of 06.10.2025 issued under Form III of Rule 6 (1) of the Tamil nadu protection of tanks and eviction of Encroachment Rule 2007 quash the same and consequentially direct the respondent 3 and 5 to conduct resurvey of the land situated in survey No 376 and also the Plot No 198 Viduthalai Nagar, S.Kolathur village Sholinganallur Thaluk in Survey No 363/8A and present Survey No 363/24 as per the layout approval and the boundaries described in the sale deed bearing document No



910 of 2001 dated 23.03.2001 on the file of sub registrar of pallavaram.

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For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.R.Shanmugadas  
for  
Mr.M.L.Ramesh

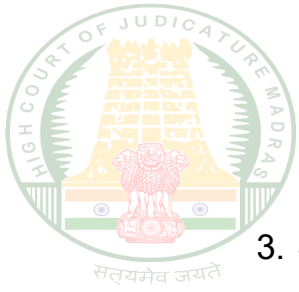
For Respondent(s): Mr.P.Sathish,  
Addl.Government Pleader  
for R1 to R5

**ORDER**

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

The proceedings dated 06.10.2025 issued by the Assistant Engineer, Water Resources Organisation, Public Works Department, is under challenge in the present writ petition.

2. The authorities, during the course of inspection, identified encroachments in S.No.376 of Keelkattalai surplus canal in Madipakkam 2 Village, Sholinganallur Circle, Chennai District. Thus, a notice came to be issued by affording opportunity to the petitioners. Final notice was also issued. The encroachments, since identified in a water body, a fresh survey was conducted in the presence of the petitioners as well as the other encroachers. After conducting survey, the Tahsildar, Sholinganallur, identified the encroachments and submitted a report to the Assistant Engineer, Water Resources Organisation, in proceedings dated 24.11.2025.



3. Since a fresh survey has been conducted by the Revenue Tahsildar and a report has been submitted to the Assistant Engineer, Water Resources Organisation, no further consideration needs to be undertaken in respect of the grounds raised by the petitioners. If at all the petitioners claim any right, they have to approach the competent forum.

4. As far as the Water Resources Organisation, Public Works Department, is concerned, it is encroachments in the water body. Thus, there is no impediment for evicting the encroachers by demolishing the construction made encroaching upon the water body. The enforcement action are directed to be completed within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Accordingly, the Writ Petition stands dismissed. No costs. Consequently, W.M.P.No.46387 of 2025 is ordered and W.M.P.Nos.46389, 46392 of 2025 & WMP No. 10804 of 2026 are closed.

**(S.M.S.,J.) (K.S.,J.)**  
**16-03-2026**

Index: Yes/No  
Speaking/Non-speaking order  
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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