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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **06.03.2026**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN

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Rajagopal

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
District Collector Office,
Thoothukudi.
2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Revenue Divisional Office,
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District.
3. The Tahsildar,
Tahsildar Office,
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District.
4. The Block Development Officer,
Union Office,
Kovilpatti,
Thoothukudi District.

... Respondents

PRAYER:- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to



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remove the encroachment in respect of Natham S.Nos.838, 839, 840 situated in Idaiseval Village, Kovilpatti Taluk, Thoothukudi District and consider the petitioner's representation dated 16.08.2023.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Sridharan

For Respondents : Mr.D.Sasi Kumar,
Addl. Govt. Pleader

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by **N.SATHISH KUMAR, J.**)

This Writ Petition is filed seeking a direction to the respondents to remove the encroachment in respect of Natham S.Nos. 838, 839, 840 situated in Idaiseval Village, Kovilpatti Taluk, Thoothukudi District and consider the petitioner's representation dated 16.08.2023.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that the entire street on both sides in the subject survey numbers has been encroached upon. In this regard, the petitioner has already sent a representation on 16.08.2023. However, no action has been taken by the respondents till date. Hence, the petitioner has filed this Writ Petition.



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3. The photographs annexed to the Writ Petition clearly show that construction on both sides of the street has encroached upon the roadway, thereby reducing its effective length.

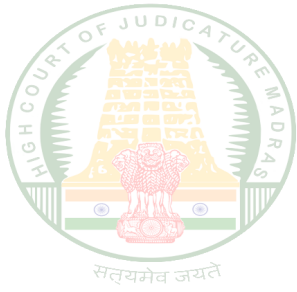
4. The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents submitted that 28 encroachments on both sides have been identified and that steps have already been initiated to remove the said encroachments in accordance with law.

5. In view of the above, the respondents are directed to follow the due procedure by invoking the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Land Encroachment Act, 1905, and, after issuing notice to all the interested persons and affording them an opportunity of hearing, remove the encroachments, if any, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

[N.S.K., J.] & [M.J.R., J.]
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