



W.P.(MD)No.7725 of 2022

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 22.01.2026

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THE HONOURABLE **Mr. JUSTICE KRISHNAN RAMASAMY**

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Vasanthi

...Petitioner

vs.

1. The District Collector,  
Kanyakumari District, Nagercoil.
2. The Chief Education Officer,  
Kanyakumari District, Nagercoil.
3. The Special Tahsildar,  
Tamil Nadu Cable Television Corporation Ltd.,  
Kanyakumari District,  
Collectorate Campus, Nagercoil.
4. The Post Master,  
Thuckalay Post Office,  
Thuckalay, Thuckalay Post,  
Kanyakumari District.
5. Sunil Kumar.K
6. The Revenue Division Officer,  
Padmanabhapuram,  
Thuckalay and Post,  
Kanyakumari District.

(R6 is impleaded vide Court order dated 04.11.2025 in WMP(MD)No. 2969/2025 in WP(MD)No.7725 of 2022)

...Respondents



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**Prayer:** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to take action in accordance with law on the basis of the proceedings of the first respondent in Na.Ka.No.ACTV/466/Tactv/2019 dated 03.09.2020.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.P.Hariprasad

For Respondents : Mr.C.Satheesh,  
Government Advocate  
for R1 to R3 & R6  
Mr.E.V.N.Siva for R5  
No appearance for R4

### **ORDER**

This Writ Petition has been filed to direct the first respondent to take action in accordance with law on the basis of the proceedings in Na.Ka.No.ACTV/466/Tactv/2019, dated 03.09.2020.

2. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the fifth respondent is a Teacher, who was also running a cable television network. For the said reason, the fifth respondent was initially terminated and subsequently, he was reinstated in the School. Now, the grievance of the petitioner is that, as on date, the fifth respondent continues to run cable television network without any legal permission. By referring to the provisions of Section 3 of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995, the learned counsel would contend that no person shall operate a cable



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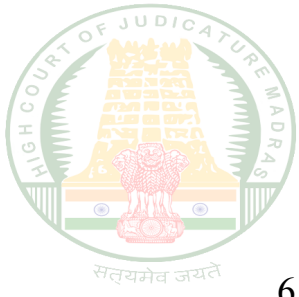
television network unless he is registered as a cable operator under the Act.

He therefore, prayed for appropriate orders.

3. The learned Additional Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 3 and 6 would submit that based on the proceedings of the first respondent dated 03.09.2020, already action has been initiated as against the fifth respondent by the School Authorities.

4. I have given due consideration to the submissions made on either sides.

5. Certainly, based on the proceedings of the first respondent, action has been initiated as against the fifth respondent and hence, no further orders are required to be passed on that aspect. However, if the fifth respondent is not a registered cable operator, he is not entitled to run a cable television network. Hence, the first respondent is directed to verify whether the fifth respondent is running the cable television network without any registration, in which case, the first respondent is directed to take appropriate action in accordance with law.



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6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

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Speaking / Non-speaking order

Index : Yes/No

NCC : Yes/No

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**KRISHNAN RAMASAMY, J.**

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