

W.P(MD)No.16375 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated : 16.06.2026

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**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR**  
**and**  
**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.JOTHIRAMAN**

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and

WMP(MD)No.12214 of 2026

S.M.A.Pon Gandhimathinathan

... Petitioner

Vs.

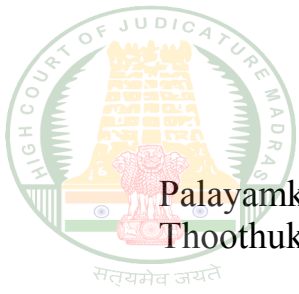
1. The District Collector,  
Thoothukudi,  
Thoothukudi District.

2. The Tahsildhar,  
Eral Taluk,  
Thoothukudi District.

3. The Block Development Officer,  
Aalwarthirunagari Panchayat Union,  
Thoothukudi District.

4. The Executive Engineer,  
Tamil Nadu Water and Drainage Board,  
Maintenance Division,  
16h/1a, Jailani Colony,  
Palayamkottai Road,  
Thoothukudi District.

5. The Assistant Executive Engineer,  
The Tamil Nadu Water and Drainage Board,  
Maintenance Division  
16h/1a, Jailani Colony,



Palayamkottai Road,  
Thoothukudi District.



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... Respondents

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**PRAYER :-** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to take immediate and effective steps to securely close, inspect, clean, disinfect, and properly maintain the overhead water tank situated at Aathinathapuram Village, Aalwarthirunagari Firka, Eral Taluk, Thoothukudi District and consequently ensure safe potable water supply to the public based on the petitioner's representation dated 26.06.2025 within time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Arjun Kumar  
For R1 to R3 : Mr.M.S.Parthiban, Counsel for State  
For R4 & R5 : Mr.R.Satheesh, Standing Counsel

### **ORDER**

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

The prayer in this writ petition is to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to take immediate and effective steps to securely close, inspect, clean, disinfect, and properly maintain the overhead water tank situated at Aathinathapuram Village, Aalwarthirunagari Firka, Eral Taluk, Thoothukudi District and consequently ensure safe potable water supply to the public based on the petitioner's representation dated 26.06.2025 within time stipulated by this Court.



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2. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the respondents are directed to consider the representation submitted by the petitioner dated 26.06.2025 and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, after giving opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and the counter parties, if any, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

3. With the above direction, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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