



WP(MD)No.18267 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 21.07.2026

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**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE C.V.KARTHIKEYAN
AND
THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE R.SAKTHIVEL**

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S/o.Ganesan,

T.S.No.182, North 5th Street,

Naipallam, Pudukkottai,

Pudukkottai District.

... Petitioner

- Vs. -

1. The District Collector

District Office, Pudukkottai, Pudukkottai District.

2. The Commissioner,

Pudukkottai Municipality Corporation, Pudukkottai.

3. The Superintending Engineer,

Tamill Nadu Electricity Board, Near Old Bus Stand,

Pudukkottai, Pudukkottai District.

4. The Assistant Executive Engineer (West),

Tamil Nadu Electricity Board,

Near Old Bus Stand, Pudukkottai,

Pudukkottai District.

... Respondents



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Prayer in WP(MD). 18267/ 2026 :Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of MANDAMUS directing the Respondents 1 and 2, to remove the encroachment in the Santhar Amman Sannathi Street, Pudukkottai and directing the respondents 3 and 4 to correct the hanging electric wires in the middle of the street by considering the petitioners representation dated 23.05.2026 within stipulated time period.

For Petitioner : Mr.Maninder Nath M.C.
For Respondents : Mr.M.P.Senthil for R1
Counsel for State
Mr.S.Deenadayalan for R3 and R4
Mr.B.E.Ashwin for R2

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by C.V.KARTHIKEYAN, J.)

The writ petition had been filed in the nature of mandamus seeking a direction against the 1st and 2nd respondents to remove the encroachment in Santhar Amman Sannathi street in Pudukkottai District and direct the 3rd and 4th respondents to correct the hanging electric wires in the middle of the street.



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2. We had sought for a report from the 2nd respondent and a status

report had been filed stating that the shop keepers in the said street display their wares by putting up tables in front of the shop during day time and when the shops were closed, the tables are put inside the shop. It was not permanent encroachment, it is only a part of extension of their business.

3. It was also informed in the previous hearing itself that the electric wires which are said to be hanging have been lifted to a considerable height and would not affect the pedestrians or the vehicles passing through the street. So far as shop keepers are concerned, they are only doing business by putting up some temporary tables in front of the shop and it is not permanent structure.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner stated that during temple festivals when the temple car/chariot travels, these tables would be an obstruction and we are confident that when the temple chariot or car travels through the street, shop keepers themselves would remove the tables. They are, after all, tenants under the temple.



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5. It is further contended by the 2nd respondent that earlier notices had been issued on 16.09.2025, but was not followed up owing to various administrative reasons. The learned counsel further stated that steps would be taken to ensure that the shop keepers do not obstruct free flow of pedestrians or traffic across the street.

Recording the said submission, the writ petition stands closed. No costs.

(C.V.K.,J.) (R.S.V,J.)
21.07.2026

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To

1. The District Collector

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