



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 08-09-2026

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THE HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE A.D.MARIA CLETE

OP No. 526 of 2025

1. A.K.Asha
2. A.K.Kishore
3. A.R.Gomathi

..Petitioner(s)

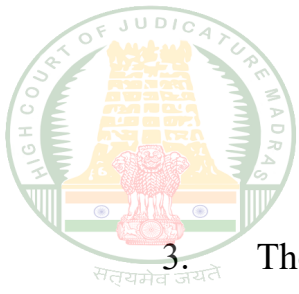
Prayer: That a Succession Certificate may be granted to the petitioners, with power to collect the Debts and to receive the interests thereon, specified in the Schedule hereunder. Net amount of Rs.15,39,868/- Suc duty of Rs.25,000/- paid on 01.09.2025.

For Petitioner(s): M/s.S.Indrajith

ORDER

This petition has been filed under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925, seeking grant of a Succession Certificate in favour of the petitioners in respect of the debt specified in the Schedule to the petition, with power to collect the amount and to receive the interest accrued and accruing thereon.

2. The deceased, A.R. Kannan, died intestate on 11.08.2006 at the Government General Hospital, E.V.R. Road, Chennai, at the age of 39 years. It is stated that, despite diligent search, no Will executed by the deceased has been found.

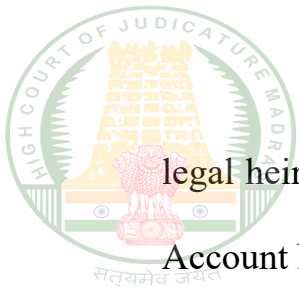


3. The petitioners are the widow, son and mother respectively of the deceased, namely, A.K. Asha, A.K. Kishore and A.R. Gomathi. The father of the deceased had predeceased him. The petitioners are stated to be the Class I legal heirs of the deceased and Ex.P.2 is the legal heirship certificate produced in proof thereof. They claim the estate in equal one-third shares. There is no respondent to the petition and no rival claim or caveat has been brought before this Court.

4. The debt in respect of which the Succession Certificate is sought is the amount standing to the credit of the deceased in Public Provident Fund Account No.0000244886 at the Head Post Office, T. Nagar, Chennai - 600 017. The amount shown is Rs.15,39,868/-, apart from the interest accrued and accruing thereon.

5. A general citation was effected by publication in one issue of the Tamil daily "Makkal Kural" dated 09.12.2025. No person has entered appearance or raised any objection pursuant to the publication.

6. The first petitioner, A.K. Asha, was examined as P.W.1 and Exs.P.1 to P.5 were marked. Ex.P.1 is the death certificate of A.R. Kannan; Ex.P.2 is his



legal heirship certificate; Ex.P.3 is the Public Provident Fund passbook bearing Account No.0000244886.

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7. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and perused the records. The death of A.R. Kannan, the relationship of the petitioners with the deceased and the debt standing in the name of the deceased are established. There is no competing claim before this Court and no objection has been received pursuant to the general citation. In view of the above, this Court is satisfied that the petitioner has made out a case for grant of a Succession Certificate in respect of the securities set out in the Schedule to the petition.

8. Accordingly, this Original Petition is allowed. The Registry is directed to issue a Succession Certificate in favour of the petitioners, in respect of the securities more fully described in the Schedule to the petition, with power to receive the amounts, interest and dividends due thereon and to negotiate and/or transfer the said securities, in accordance with law. No costs.

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List of Witnesses examined on the side of the Petitioner:

PW1 –M/s.A.K.Asha

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List of Documents marked on the side of the Petitioner:

Ex.P.1 is the photocopy of death certificate of A.R.Kannan (Compared with the original)

Ex.P.2 is the photocopy of the legal heirship certificate of A.R.Kannan (Compared with the original)

Ex.P.3 is the computer generated Public Provident Fund pass book bearing account No.0000244886.

Ex.P.4 is the is the copy of the paper publication effected in one issue of Tamil daily “Makkal Kural” dated 09.12.2025.

Ex.P.5 is the Certificate under Section 63 (4) (C) of BSA, 2023.

List of Witnesses examined on the side of the Respondent: Nil

List of Documents marked on the side of the Respondent: Nil

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