



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-09-2026

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

OP No. 678 of 2025

1. Thomas D
S/o. Duraipandian,
No.11(7) Arunachala APT,
Thulasingham Street, Perambur,
Chennai 600 011.
2. Nelson D
S/o. Duraipandian,
8/59 Madhavaram High Road,
2nd lane Shanthi Nagar, Bala,
Vidyalaya school, Perambur,
Chennai 600 011.
3. Arul Vinodh
S/o. Duraipandian,
8/59 M.H.Road 2nd Lane,
Shanthi Nagar, Behind Brindha Theatre,
Perambur, Chennai 600 011.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

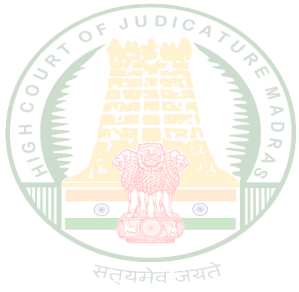
No Respondent
Nil

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER – Original Petition filed under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925 read with Order XXV Rule 6 of O.S. Rules, that a succession certificate may be granted to the petitioners with power to collect the deposits and to receive the interest of deposits specified in the schedule hereto. Net amount of Rs.14,89,110/- Suc duty of Rs.25,000/- paid on 19.11.2025

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.P. Praveen Kumar



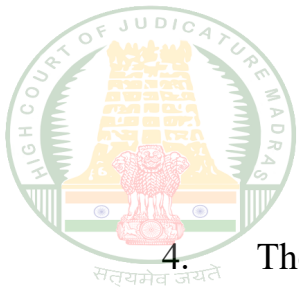
ORDER

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This Original Petition has been filed under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925 read with Order XXV Rule 6 of the Original Side Rules, seeking grant of a Succession Certificate in respect of the debt/deposit standing in the name of the deceased K.V. Rani.

2. The petitioners are sons of the deceased K.V. Rani and late V.Dhuraipandiyar. According to the petitioners, K.V. Rani died intestate on 08.09.2024 and her husband V. Dhuraipandiyar had predeceased her on 30.09.2002. The deceased was ordinarily residing at Perambur, Chennai, within the jurisdiction of this Court. It is stated that despite due and diligent search, no Will of the deceased was found and that she died intestate. The petitioners claim that they are her only surviving legal heirs.

3. The Succession Certificate is sought in respect of the amount standing to the credit of the deceased in Public Provident Fund Account No.000918011287 with ICICI Bank, Perambur Branch. The bank statement, shows an amount of Rs.14,89,110/- as on 02.07.2025. The petitioners have also stated that no nominee had been registered in respect of the said account.



4. The first petitioner was examined as P.W.1 and marked Exs.P1 to P10.

The death certificates have been marked as Exs.P2 and P3 respectively. Ex.P7 is the Legal Heir Certificate, Ex.P8 is the ICICI Bank account statement and Ex.P9 is the paper publication effected in the Tamil daily Malai Thamizhagam dated 02.06.2026.

5. On consideration of the pleadings and the oral and documentary evidence, it is seen that the deceased died intestate; her husband had predeceased her; and the three petitioners are shown in the Legal Heir Certificate as her surviving sons. The petitioners, being the surviving legal heirs of the deceased, are entitled to succeed to her estate in equal shares.

6. Accordingly, the Original Petition is allowed. A Succession Certificate under Section 373 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925 shall be issued jointly in favour of the petitioners viz., **Thomas D, Nelson D and Arul Vinodh** in respect of the amount standing to the credit of late K.V. Rani in PPF Account No.000918011287 with ICICI Bank, Perambur Branch, shown in the Schedule to the petition as Rs.14,89,110/-, together with all interest/accretions accrued thereon up to the date of payment, with power to collect and give valid discharge for the same. The Succession Certificate shall be issued subject to the petitioners furnishing the requisite security and complying with the statutory



requirements, including payment of the requisite Court fee, if not already paid.

No costs.

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List of witnesses examined on the side of the petitioners:

P.W.1 –Mr.Thomas D

List of documents marked on the side of the petitioners:

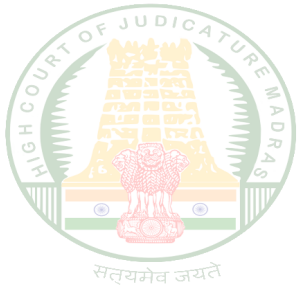
Ex.P1	Photocopy of the Aadhaar Card of Rani.K.V. (compared with the original)
Ex.P2	Computer generated death certificate of Rani.
Ex.P3	Computer generated death certificate of V.Dhuraipandiyan.
Ex.P4	Photocopy of the Aadhaar Card of Thomas.D (compared with the original).
Ex.P5	Photocopy of the Aadhaar Card of Nelson.D (compared with the original).
Ex.P6	Photocopy of the Aadhaar Card of Arulvinodh (compared with the original).
Ex.P7	Computer generated legal heirship certificate of Rani.
Ex.P8	Original ICICI bank account statement of Rani.K.V.
Ex.P9	Copy of paper publication effected in one issue of Tamil daily “Malai Thamizhagam” dated 02.06.2026.

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

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

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