



W.P.(MD)No.10075 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04.05.2023

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

W.P.(MD)No.10075 of 2023
and W.M.P.(MD)No.8843 of 2023

Suba Kalimuthu

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Commissioner of Hindu
Religious Charitable
Endowments Department,
Chennai.
2. The Joint Commissioner of
Hindu Religious Charitable
Endowments Department,
Trichy.
3. The Assistant Commissioner of
Hindu Religious Charitable
Endowments Department,
Thanjavur.
4. The Executive Officer,
Sri Viruthapurishwarar Temple,
Thirupunavasal,
Avudaiyar Kovil Taluk,
Pudukkottai.



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5. The Tahsildar,
Aranthangi Taluk,
Pudukkottai District.

6. Solai Muthaiah

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents 1 to 3 to pass appropriate order for conducting the festival of Arulmighu Shree Pullikuthu Amman Temple, Sengamari Village, Aranthangi Taluk, Pudukkottai District from this year onwards by the Executive Officer/4th respondent herein without any first respect or Kalanji and mandagapdi to anybody else including the 6th respondent.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Paranjothi

For R1 to R3 & R5: Mr.D.Gandhiraj,
Special Govt. Pleader

For R4 : Mr.G.Mathavan

ORDER

This writ petition is filed for a Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 to 3 to pass appropriate order for conducting the



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festival of Arulmighu Shree Pullikuthu Amman Temple, Sengamari Village, Aranthangi Taluk, Pudukkottai District from this year onwards by the Executive Officer/4th respondent herein without giving first respect or Kalanji and mandagapdi to anybody else including the 6th respondent.

2. Since no adverse order is passed, notice to the sixth respondent is dispensed with.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that a Temple, namely, Arulmigu Shree Pullikuthi Amman Temple, is situated in Sangamari Village, Aranthagi Taluk, Pudukkottai District. The said temple comes under the control of HR&CE Department. It is the grievance of the petitioner that few members of the village to celebrate the festival with an intention to create records as if the first respondent was given to few persons. Further, last year, the 6th respondent attempted to conduct temple



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festival by excommunicating the petitioner and few families.

Therefore, one Gnaanasekaran, who belongs to the petitioner's Community, filed a writ petition in W.P.(MD)No.9714 of 2022 before this Court and at the time of hearing, the 4th respondent's counsel submitted that there is no festival conducted based on the said submission, the writ petition was closed. Now, the petitioner submitted a representation to the 4th respondent on 19.04.2023 requesting him to perform the temple festival without giving any first respect or Kalanji and mandagapdi to anybody else including the 6th respondent. Since the 4th respondent has not taken any decision on the said representation, the petitioner has filed the present writ petition.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the 4th respondent would submits that the 4th respondent will perform temple festival without allowing any third party and collect donation from the general public and conduct chithirai festival within a period of one month.



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4. Recording the submission of the fourth respondent that the 4th respondent will perform temple festival without allowing any third party and collect donation from the general public and conduct chithirai festival within a period of one month, this writ petition is closed. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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