



WP CRL.(MD). No.721 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 19.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Rajamani,

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Superintendent of Police,
Dindigul District..

2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Nilakottai Sub Division,
Dindigul District.

3. State of Tamilnadu Rep by
Inspector of Police,
Vilampatti, Police Station,
Dindigul District.

4. Palsamy,

5. Sonai,,
(R4 and R5 are Impleaded as Per Order of this
Court in WMP.Crl.(MD)No.233/2026 in
WMP.Crl.(MD)No.233/2026)

... Respondents

PRAYER :- Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to provide adequate police protection and permit him to conduct Kappu Kattuthal on 19.02.2026 and Pongal offering and distribution on 06.03.2026 at Sri



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Yelaikkathamman and Sri Valladiyar Swami Temple, Nattarpatti, Pillaiar Natham Village, Nilakottai Taluk, Dindigul District, in a peaceful manner on the basis of petitioner's representation dated 14.01.2026.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Balaji,

For Respondents : Mr.A.S.Abul Kalaam Azad,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side) for R1 to R3

: Mr.R.Aravind Raj for R4 & R5

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to provide adequate police protection and permit him to conduct “Kappu Kattuthal” on 19.02.2026 and Pongal offering and distribution on 06.03.2026 at Sri Yelaikkathamman and Sri Valladiyar Swami Temple, Nattarpatti, Pillaiar Natham Village, Nilakottai Taluk, Dindigul District, in a peaceful manner on the basis of petitioner's representation dated 14.01.2026..

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side.



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3. The petitioner / Rajamani is claiming himself as a poosari and one Palsamy, who is the fourth respondent is also claiming poosariship. The said issue is pending before the District Munsif Court, Nilakkottai in O.S.No. 35 of 2025. As far as the present “Kapppu Kattuthal” festival is concerned, a third party may be appointed as *Poosari*, and such appointment shall be made by drawing of lots. However, the said Rajamani/ petitioner and his family and Palsamy/ fourth respondent and his family shall not participate in the said lot and a third party shall be selected as poosari.

4. The third respondent is directed to follow the above direction and select poosari and permit the said poosari to conduct the festival.

5. With this directions, this Writ Petition is disposed of. This order is only for the present year. In case, the parties require any order for the succeeding year, they are at liberty to approach the competent Civil



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Court. Further, it is made clear that the poosari selected for this year shall not claim any right over the poosariship.

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Note: Issue order copy on **19.02.2026**

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