

W.P.Crl.(MD)No.3912 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : **15.07.2026**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI**

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... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The District Collector,  
Collectorate,  
Pudukkottai District.
- 2.The Superintendent of Police,  
O/o The Superintendent of Police,  
Pudukkottai District.
- 3.The Revenue Divisional Officer,  
Illuppur Revenue Divisional Office,  
Illuppur Taluk,  
Pudukkottai District.
- 4.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,  
O/o The Deputy Superintendent of Police,  
Illuppur Taluk,  
Pudukkottai District.
- 5.The Tahsildar,  
Taluk Office,  
Illuppur Taluk,  
Pudukkottai District.
- 6.The Inspector of Police,  
Annavaasal Police Station,  
Illuppur Taluk,  
Pudukkottai District.



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7.R.Chokkaiyan

8.Alagu

9.Muthu Kumar

... Respondents

PRAYER : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the official respondents 1 to 5 to ensure that the petitioner and his men are permitted to conduct the customary goat sacrifice, offering of Pongal, worship special poojas and Aadi Padayal to the deity of Arulmigu Edaiyakaruppar Temple situated at Kulavaipatti Village, Illuppur Taluk, Pudukkottai District on any appropriate day during the Tamil Month of Aadi, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 09.07.2026.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Paranjothi  
for M/s.KBS Law Office  
For R1, R3 & R5 : M/s.M.R.Priyanka Jothi  
Government Advocate (Civil)  
For R2, R4 & 6 : Mr.D.Rajaboopathy  
Government Advocate (Crl.)

### ORDER

Seeking to direct the respondents 1 to 5 to ensure that the petitioner and his men are permitted to conduct the customary goat sacrifice, offering of Pongal, worship special poojas and Aadi Padayal to the deity of Arulmigu Edaiyakaruppar Temple situated at Kulavaipatti Village, Illuppur Taluk,



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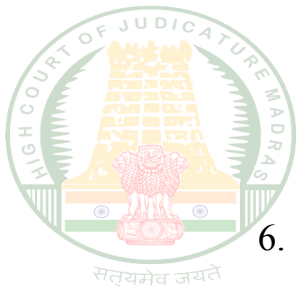
by considering the petitioner's representation dated 09.07.2026, this writ petition is filed.

2. Since no adverse order is passed against the private respondents, notice to the private respondents is dispensed with.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the private respondents are preventing the petitioner from offering Pongal, goat sacrifice, worship and conduct special poojas in Arulmigu Edaiyakaruppar Temple and sought the indulgence of this Court.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Civil side) submitted that the temple is not under the control of Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (HR & CE) Department. However, dispute is pending before the Joint Commissioner, HR & CE, Pudukkottai filed by the petitioner. Pending the same, the petitioner has come before this Court.

5. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal side) submitted that with regard to the complaint received from the petitioner, C.S.R has been issued.



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6. Heard the learned counsels on either side and carefully perused the materials available on record.

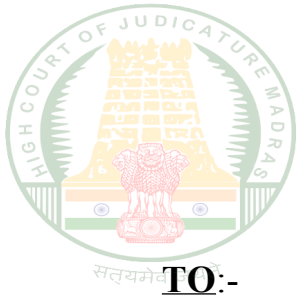
7. The 6<sup>th</sup> respondent police is directed to put the petitioner as well as the respondents 7 to 9 on notice under Section 64 BNSS and sensitize the respondents 7 to 9 that they should not prevent the petitioner and their men from conducting goat sacrifice, offering Pongal, worship special poojas and Aadi Padayal to the deity of Arulmigu Edaiyakaruppar Temple situated at Kulavaipatti Village, Illuppur Taluk, Pudukkottai District, and to facilitate the participation of the villagers without preventing anyone. It is made clear that none of the parties should claim any first honour at the time of the festival. It is also made clear that the petitioner also should not prevent the private respondents from participating in the above events.

8. With the above directions, this Writ Petition stands disposed of.

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NCC : Yes / No  
Index : Yes / No

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