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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 21.07.2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

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P.Mahamani

... Petitioner

Vs.

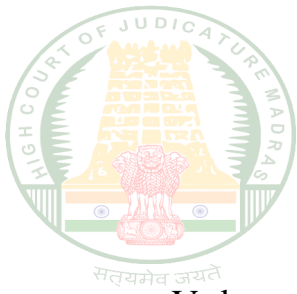
1.The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
(HR & CE) Department,
Nungambakkam High Road,
Chennai-600 034.

2.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments
(HR & CE) Department,
Madurai Region, Madurai.

3.The Assistant Commissioner / Executive Officer,
Arulmighu Kallazhagar Temple,
Alagar Kovil, Madurai District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 10.07.2026 and consequently direct the second respondent to accord the traditional temple chariot rope honour (Ther-



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Vadamariyadhai) and Main Parivattam honour to Mr.A.K.Ramakrishnan during the Adi Car Festival scheduled on 29.07.2026 at Arulmighu Kallazhagar Temple, Alagar Kovil, Madurai District.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Meenakshi Sundaram
for Mr.S.Vishnuvardhan

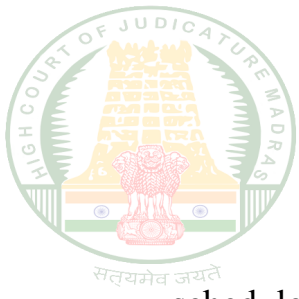
For R1 & R2 : Mr.S.Venkatesh
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu

For R3 : Mr.S.Manohar
Standing Counsel

ORDER

Heard the learned Counsel for the Petitioner, the learned Counsel for the Government of Tamil Nadu appearing for the First and Second Respondents and the learned Standing Counsel for the Third Respondent.

2. This Writ Petition has been filed for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the Respondents to consider the Petitioner's Representation dated 10.07.2026 and consequently, to direct the Second Respondent to accord the traditional Temple Chariot Rope Honour (Ther-Vadamariyadhai) and Main Parivattam Honour to Mr.A.K.Ramakrishnan during the Aadi Car Festival



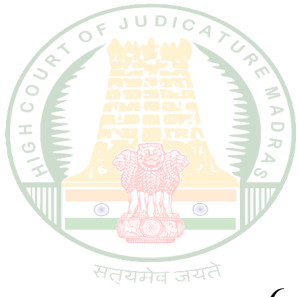
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scheduled to be held on 29.07.2026 at Arulmigu Kallazhagar Temple, Alagar Kovil, Madurai District.

3. The learned Counsel for the Petitioner submits that pursuant to the Petitioner's Representation dated 10.07.2026, the Third Respondent has called for an enquiry to be held tomorrow, i.e., on 22.07.2026.

4. Since the Temple Festival is scheduled to be held on 29.07.2026, the Third Respondent is directed to pass appropriate orders pursuant to the enquiry scheduled to be held tomorrow, as expeditiously as possible, after issuing due notice to all persons who are likely to be aggrieved by the decision to be taken by the Third Respondent on the Petitioner's Representation dated 10.07.2026.

5. It is made clear that the honour and privilege sought to be conferred on Mr.A.K.Ramakrishnan, whom the Petitioner proposes to honour, shall be strictly in accordance with the provisions of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act, 1959.



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6. With the above observations, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Neutral Citation : Yes / No

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