



W.P.(MD) No. 23822 of 2026

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 19.08.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

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M.Marimuthu

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Assistant Commissioner
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment,
Ramanathapuram.

2. The Revenue Divisional Officer
Paramakudi,
Ramanathapuram District.

3. The Tahsildar,
Kadaladi Taluk,
Ramanathapuram District.

4. The Inspector of Police,
Sayalkudi Police Station
Sayalkudi,
Ramanathapuram District.

5. The Administrator,
Arulmighu Sakthi Vinayakar, Vazhavanthan Amman and Neraikulatha
Iyyanar Temple,



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S.M.Ilandaikulam Village,
Guruvadi Post, Sayilkudi Via,
Kadaladi Taluk,
Ramanathapuram District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus direct the respondents No.3 and 2 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 08.08.2026 thereby to take appropriate measures to ensure there is no first honour to any individual in the temple function at Sakthi Vinayakar, Valavandan Amman and Neraikulatha Iyyanar temple situated in S.M.ilanthaikulam, Village S. Vagaikulam Panchayat, Kadaladi Taluk, Ramanathapuram District schedule to be held on 18.08.2026 to 28.08.2026.

For petitioner	: Mr. P.Ganapathi Subramanian
For R1 to R3	: Mr.R.Parthiban Special Government Pleader
For R4	: Mr.P.Vetrivel Government Advocate (Crl.Side)
For R5	: Mr.P.Banu Prasath

ORDER

Mr.R.Parthiban, learned Special Government Pleader, takes notice for the respondents 1 to 3. Mr.P.Vetrivel, learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) takes notice for the fourth respondent. Mr.P.Banu Prasath, learned counsel takes notice



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WEB for the fifth respondent.

2. This Writ Petition is taken up for final hearing at the time of admission with the consent of the learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Special Government Pleader for the respondents 1 to 3, learned Government Advocate (CrI.Side) for the fourth respondent and learned counsel for the fifth respondent.

3. This Writ Petition has been filed for a Mandamus to direct the respondents No.3 and 2 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 08.08.2026 thereby to take appropriate measures to ensure that there is no first honour to any individual in the temple function at Sakthi Vinayakar, Valavandan Amman and Neraikulatha Iyyanar temple situated in S.M.ilanthaikulam, Village S. Vagaikulam Panchayat, Kadaladi Taluk, Ramanathapuram District, which is schedule to be held on 18.08.2026 to 28.08.2026.

4. The apprehension of the petitioner is that the fifth respondent/Temple is starting a new custom of giving first honours to the person of his choice. It appears that already the petitioner has given a representation and that the



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WEB CAM Tahsildar has already convened a Peace Committee meeting between the members of the village, including the petitioner and the fifth respondent.

5. The learned counsel for the fifth respondent, at the outset, submits that there is no proposal for granting any first honour to any person during the temple festival. The statement is recorded.

6. Recording the same, the writ petition stands disposed of in terms of the above undertaking of the learned counsel for the fifth respondent. However, it is made clear that the respondents 3 and 4 may keep a vigil on the temple proceedings to ensure that there is no untoward incident during the temple festival. No costs.

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