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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 05.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE DR.JUSTICE G.JAYACHANDRAN

and

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.K.RAMAKRISHNAN

W.P.(MD)No.27717 of 2022

P.Radha Krishnan ... Petitioner

-vs-

1.The District Collector,
office of the District Collector,
Sivagangai,
Sivagangai District.

2.The Superintendent of Police,
Office of the Superintendent of Police,
Sivagangai,
Sivagangai District.

3.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Office of the Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Sivagangai,
Sivagangai District.

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4.The Divisional Engineer,
State Highways (Construction and Maintenance),
Office of Divisional Engineer,
Collector office campus,
Sivagangai,
Sivagangai District.

5.The Tahsildar,
Office of the Tahsildar,
Ilayangudi Taluk,
Ilayangudi,
Sivagangai District.

6.The Inspector of Police,
Ilayangudi Police Station,
Sivagangai District.

7.The Inspector of Police,
Salaigramam Police Station,
Sivagangai District. ... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to conduct detailed enquiry with regard to unauthorized Flag-Poles, flex boards and permanent pictures depicting communal leaders and political leaders on public thoroughfare, foot path, road margins and other public and private places

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in and around Sivagangai District and to remove the unauthorized flex boards and permanent pictures depicting communal leaders and political leaders and messages.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Vasantha Kumar
For Respondents 1 to 5 : Mr.R.Baskaran,
Additional Advocate General
Assisted by Mr.P.Thilak Kumar,
Government Pleader
For Respondents 6 & 7 : Mr.K.Gnanasekaran,
Government Advocate [Crl. Side]

O R D E R

[Order of the Court was made by DR.G.JAYACHANDRAN, J.]

Writ Petition is filed seeking a Mandamus to conduct detailed enquiry with regard to unauthorized Flag-Poles, flex boards and permanent pictures depicting communal leaders and political leaders on public thoroughfare, foot path, road margins and other public and private places in and around Sivagangai District and to remove them.

2.This Court directed the Additional Advocate General to file an action taken report on the representation given by the writ petitioner.

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3.Today, the District Collector, Sivagangai, has filed a compliance report, wherein he has stated that all the unauthorised flex boards, banners, placards, temporary arches have been removed. Paragraph No.4 of the compliance report reads as follows:

> *"4.It is respectfully submitted that, as per the Hon'ble Court order, the following Department officials have inspected and removed all the unauthorized flex board, banners, placards, temporary arches put up in the public places in and around Sivagangai District."*

S.No.	*Name of the Department / Designation*	*Nos. of unauthorized flex boards, banners, placards, temporary arches, flag poles removed*
1.	*Sub Collector, Devakottai*	*115*
2.	*Revenue Divisional Officer, Sivagangai*	*414*
3.	*Assistant Director (Panchayat)*	*277*
4.	*Assistant Director (Town Panchayat)*	*39*
5.	*Project Director, NHAI, Karaikudi*	*13*
6.	*Project Director, NHAI, Ramanathapuram*	*9*
7.	*Divisional Engineer, Highways, (C&M), Sivagangai*	*408*
8.	*Corporation Commissioner, Karaikudi*	*9*
9.	*Municipal Commissioner, Sivagangai / Manamadurai / Devakottai*	*39*

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4.Recording the same, this Writ Petition stands closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

[G.J., J.] & [K.K.R.K., J.]
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