



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 02.11.2018

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.M. SUNDRESH

AND

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE T. KRISHNAVALLI

W.P. [MD]. No. 22516 of 2018

K. Kutralanathan

: Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Tirunelveli.

2. The Executive Officer/Assistant Commissioner,
Arulmigu Nellaiyappar Udanurai
Arultharum Gandhimathi Ambal Thirukovil,
Tirunelveli. : Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the second respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 31.10.2018 and grant permission for preparation of extensive meal [Annadana Virundhu] and serve to the devotees inside the temple premises to mark the "Thirukalyana Utsavam" [celestial wedding] of Arulmigu Nellaiyappar Arultharum Gandhimathi Amman Temple, Tirunelveli Town, on 04.11.2018.

For petitioner : Mr. M. Karunanithi
For respondent No. 1: Mr. A. K. Baskarapandian
Special Government Pleader
For Respondent No. 2: Mr. S. Madhavan
Standing Counsel

O R D E R

[Order of the Court was made by **M.M. SUNDRESH, J.**]

The petitioner only wants permission for preparation of extensive meal [Annadana Virundhu] for the purpose of serving the devotees inside the temple premises to mark "Thirukalyana Utsavam" [celestial wedding] of Arulmigu Nellaiyappar Arultharum Gandhimathi Amman Temple, Tirunelveli Town, on 04.11.2018.

2. Mr. S. Madhavan, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the second respondent, on instructions, would submit that the permission has been kept pending, in view of the usage of fire



within the precincts of the temple, which might create an accident. However, on a query, it is submitted that considering the paucity of time, as one time measure, the petitioner may be permitted to prepare and serve Annadana Virundhu on 04.11.2018, provided adequate steps will have to be taken to see to it that no untoward incident happens.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the precautionary measures will be taken to avoid any untoward incident. He would further submit that the conditions to be imposed by the second respondent in this regard would be strictly complied with.

4. Recording the above submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, the Writ Petition stands disposed of, permitting the petitioner to perform Annadana Virundhu on 04.11.2018 to be served to the devotees, inside the temple premises to mark "Thirukalyana Utsavam" [celestial wedding] of Arulmigu Nellaiyappar Arultharaum Gandhimathi Amman Temple, Tirunelveli Town. We make it clear that this order, being one of concession, need not be quoted as a precedent. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CO)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS-I)

To

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+ 1 CC TO MR.S.MADHAVAN, ADVOCATE IN SR NO.94300
+ 1 CC TO SPECIAL GOVERNMENT PLEADER, IN SR NO.94515

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BU/RSK/SAR-1 :09.11.2018 : 2P/5C

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