

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
DATED: 13.03.2019

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.RAVICHANDRABAABU

WP.No.6990 of 2019
and
WMP.No.7734 of 2019

Kovil Poosarigal Nala Sangam

(Reg. No.121/2005)

Represented by its President

P.Vasu

No.171/1, Azhagiriammal Thottam

Narasothipatti

Salem - 636 004.

...Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Principal Secretary to Government
Department of Tourism, Culture and
Religious Endowment
Fort St.George, Chennai-600 009.

2.The Commissioner

HR&CE,

Nungambakkam High Road,

Chennai-600 034.

...Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to consider the representations dated 11.06.2018 and 14.01.2019 made by the petitioner Sangam within the time frame.

For Petitioner : Mrs.G.Sumitra

For Respondents: Mr.M.Maharaja

Special Government Pleader

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Mr.M.Maharaja, learned Special Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents. By consent of the parties, this main writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. The petitioner-Association seek for a mandamus directing the respondents to consider the representations dated 11.06.2018 and 14.01.2019, wherein and whereby, they sought for regularization of their service as Poojaris in the Temples

situated in the State and for other benefits.

3. The grievance of the petitioner-Association is that its members functioning as Poojaris in various temples for long number of years, are not getting the benefit of regularization with other monetary benefits. Therefore, the petitioner-Association made the above representations before the respondents seeking for such benefit. It is stated that the said representations are not considered so far.

4. Needless to state that it is for the respondents, more particularly, the second respondent to consider the grievance of the petitioner-Association and pass appropriate orders on their representations, without loss of further time, after conducting thorough enquiry into the matter. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of, only by directing the second respondent to consider the representations of the petitioner dated 11.06.2018 and 14.01.2019 and pass orders on the same on merits and in accordance with law, after giving due opportunity of hearing to the petitioner. Such exercise shall be done by the second respondent within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS-I)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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