



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 29.03.2019

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.R. SWAMINATHAN

W.P. (MD) No. 7564 of 2019

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Executive Officer,
Pandiya Velalar Dharma Thanneer Kattalai Madam,
Idumban Thirukovil,
Palani, Dindigul District.

2. The Joint Commissioner/
Executive Officer,
Arulmigu Thandayuthapani Swamy Thirukovil,
Palani.

(R-2 is suo motu impleaded vide
order dated 29.03.2019)

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Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to give permission for "Annathanam" festival scheduled on 01.04.2019 at about 01.30 p.m. to 03.30 p.m. at Pandiya Velalar Dharma Thanneer Kattalai Madam, Idumban Thirukovil, Palani, Dindigul District, by considering the petitioner's representation dated 23.03.2019.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Karunanithi
For R-1 : Mr.Muthu Geethaiyan

For R-2 : Mr.V.R.Shanmuganathan,
Standing Counsel.

O R D E R

The Joint Commissioner/Executive Officer, Arulmighu Thandayuthapani Swami Thirukovil, Palani, is suo motu impleaded as the second respondent. Mr.Muthu Geethaiyan, learned counsel takes notice for the first respondent, while Mr.V.R.Shanmuganathan, learned Standing counsel takes notice for the second respondent.

2. The petitioner wants to perform "Annathanam" on 01.04.2019 between 01.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. at the first respondent Madam.

3. I am of the view that the petitioner can very well be permitted to do so. But then, it is submitted by the learned counsel appearing for the respondents that cooking is not allowed to



be done in the uphill. Therefore, the petitioner is permitted to take food packets for distribution to pilgrims and devotees. It is also open to the respondents herein to issue proceedings to ensure the cleanliness of the place and for the smooth conduct of the event. The second respondent is directed to permit the petitioner to use the Winch facility for transporting food packets of course on payment of appropriate cost.

4. This Writ petition stands allowed, accordingly. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS II)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

To

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+1cc to Mr.M.MUTHUGEETHAYAN, Advocate, SR.No.57699

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