

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 27.01.2020

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.D. AUDIKESAVALU

W.P. No. 1578 of 2020

and

W.M.P. Nos. 1862 and 1911 of 2020

S. Madhappan

... Petitioner

-vs-

1. The Tamil Nadu State Election Commission,
Rep. by its Secretary,
No. 208/2, Jawaharlal Nehru Road,
Opp. to CMBT, Arumbakkam,
Chennai - 600 106.

2. The District Election Officer,
Dharmapuri District.

3. The Returning Officer,
Village Panchayat President Election,
Block Development Office,
Karimangalam Panchayat Union,
Dharmapuri District.

4. M. Selvam

... Respondents

Prayer:- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the First to Third Respondents to enquire the double marking on Ladder symbol in the ballot papers with different ink, in particularly booth Nos. 83 and 84, to direct the recounting in respect of the post of Panchayat President of Mottalur Village, Karimangalam Panchayat Union, Dharmapuri District within a reasonable time to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioners: Mr. P. Ganesan

For Respondents: Mr. AR.L. Sundaresn, Senior Counsel
assisted by
Mr. B. Nedunchezhiyan,
Standing Counsel (for R1)
Mr. V. Jayaprakash Narayanan,
Government Pleader (for R2 and R3)

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Mr. AR.L. Sundaresan, Learned Senior Counsel assisted by Mr. B. Nedunchezhiyan, Learned Standing Counsel takes notice for the First Respondent and Mr. V. Jayaprakash Narayan, Learned Government Pleader takes notice for the Second and Third Respondents.

2. When it is pointed out by the Learned Senior Counsel appearing for the First Respondent that the Petitioner has got an effective alternative remedy by way of election petition under Section 258 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994, Learned Counsel for the Petitioner seeks permission of this Court to withdraw the Writ Petition with liberty to resort to the same and he has also made an endorsement to that effect, which is recorded.

3. Accordingly, the Writ Petition is dismissed as withdrawn granting such liberty. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS-III)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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