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W.P.[MD].No.4785 of 2020

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **06.03.2020**

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.N.PRAKASH
AND
THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE B.PUGALENDHI**

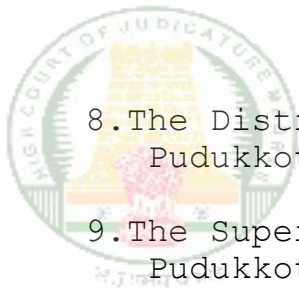
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Karu.Rajendran

: Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Principal Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu,
Department of Hindu Religious and Charitable
Endowments, Secretariat,
Chennai.
- 2.The Commissioner,
Department of Hindu Religious and Charitable
Endowments, Chennai.
- 3.The Joint Commissioner,
Department of Hindu Religious and Charitable
Endowments, Trichy.
- 4.The Assistant Commissioner,
Department of Hindu Religious and Charitable
Endowments, Pudukkottai.
- 5.The Principal Secretary to
Department of Archaeology and Tamil Development,
Secretariat,
Chennai.
- 6.The Superintendent of Archaeology,
Department of Archaeological Survey of India,
St. George Fort,
Chennai.
- 7.The Commissioner of Archaeology,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Tamil Valarchi Valagam,
Thanizh Salai,
Egmore, Chennai.



8.The District Collector,
Pudukkottai District.

9.The Superintendent of Police,
Pudukkottai District.

: Respondents

PRAYER: Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to ensure that the inscriptions in Perumal Temple, Sendamangalam Village, Illupur Taluk, Pudukkottai District to be restored to its original form by making suitable arrangements and direct the respondents to take appropriate action against those responsible for causing damage to the inscriptions.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ganapathi Subramanian

For Respondents 1,4to9 : Mr.R.Sethuraman,
Special Government Pleader

For Respondents 2&3 : Mr.VR.Shanmuganathan,
Special Government Pleader

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[Order of the Court was made by **P.N.PRAKASH, J.**]

The learned Special Government Pleader for the respondents 1, 4 to 9 submitted that the Temple in question is not under the control of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department.

2. In the opinion of this Court, the prayer sought for in this Writ Petition cannot be considered, as these are all aspects, which have to be looked into by the Archaeological Survey of India. Hence, this Writ Petition is dismissed. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (P&A)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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