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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04.08.2021

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THE HONOURABLE DR. JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

W.P. No.16242 of 2021

Thirumathi S.Shanthi

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Executive Officer/Thakkar,
Arulmigu Ponniyamman Temple,
Keerapakkam Village,
Thirukazhukundram Taluk,
Chengalpattu District - 603 109.
2. The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Kanchipuram.
3. The Deputy Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Kanchipuram.
4. The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
119, Uthamar Gandhi Salai, Nungambakkam,
Chennai - 600 034.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue Writ of Mandamus to direct the 1st respondent to handover the charges to the petitioner as per the order of the 2nd respondent order date 15.12.2020.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Kumar

For Respondent : Mr.NRR.Arun Natarajan,
Government Advocate

O R D E R

Mr.N.R.R.Arun Natarajan, learned Government Advocate accepts notice for the respondents including the Executive Officer/Thakkar/R1, presently in charge of Arulmighu Ponniyamman



Temple, Keerapakkam Village, Thirukazhukundram Taluk, Chengalpattu District (temple/temple in question) and is armed with written instructions to proceed with the matter finally. Hence, by consent expressed by both learned counsel, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal even at the stage of admission.

2. The petitioner prays for a mandamus directing the Executive Officer/R1 to hand over charge of the temple in question to the trustees appointed as per order of the second respondent dated 15.12.2020 among whom, thereafter, one has been appointed as Chairman.

3. Mr.Arun Natarajan has written instructions to state that charge with regard to the management of the temple will be handed over to the Trustees appointed within a period of 30 days from today.

4. Recording the same and as the mandamus sought stands thereby achieved, this Writ Petition is allowed. Charge of administration and management of the temple shall be handed over to the Trustees within a period of 30 days from today. No costs.

s/d-
Assistant Registrar (CS-VII)

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Sub-Assistant Registrar

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To

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