



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 15.02.2021

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.2832 of 2021

Madurai Town Hall Road,
Perumal Teppakulam Anaithu
Siruviyabarigal Nala Sangam,
(Regd.No.110/99)
Through its President,
R.S.Sundar Babu,
S/o.K.R.Sethuraman,
No.15, Perumal Teppam West,
Town Hall Road,
Madurai-625 001.

... Petitioner

-Vs-

1.The District Collector,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

2.The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Nungampakkam,
Chennai-600 034.

3.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Madurai Region,
Madurai.

4.The Assistant Commissioner/Executive Officer of
Arulmigu Koodal Alagar Thirukovil,
Madurai-625 001.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to conduct the 10th and 11th day festival of Alangar Thirumanjanam and Yegantha Sevai Pallakkil Teppam Muttuthaluvuthal in Masi Magam Teppa Festival of Arulmigu Koodal Alagar Perumal Kovil, Madurai on 26.02.2021 and 27.02.2021 by permitting the petitioner association to conduct their Mandagapadi based on the representation of the petitioner association dated 05.02.2021.

For Petitioner

: Mr.B.Prasanna Vinoth

For R1 to R3

: Mr.K.P.Narayanakumar

Special Government Pleader



ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side. By consent of both parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2.The petitioner is an association of the traders who are carrying on their business in the Madurai Town Hall Road. They perform the petition mentioned annual festival. The petitioner is apprehensive that the fourth respondent may not permit them to conduct the petition mentioned event in view of COVID-19 pandemic.

3.Since the petitioner is willing to abide by any restriction that may be imposed by the fourth respondent taking into account the continue prevalence of pandemic, I am of the view that the fourth respondent can be directed to permit the petitioner to hold the petition mentioned event. Since the members of the association may cause nuisance and take shelter behind the order passed by this Court, I make it clear that the petitioner R.S.Sundar Babu will have to abide by all the instructions that may be issued by the fourth respondent to ensure the smooth conduct of the event.

5.The petitioner's counsel states that R.S.Sundar Babu, the president of the petitioner Sangam will personally ensure that all the directives of the fourth respondent are complied with in letter and spirit.

6.Recording the said undertaking, the fourth respondent is directed to permit the petitioner to conduct the petition mentioned Mandagapadi. The Writ Petition is allowed on these terms. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS II)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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+1 CC to M/s.S.MANO HAR, Advocate (SR-5249[F] dated 16/02/2021)

+1 CC to M/s.B.PRASANNA VINOTH, Advocate (SR-5042[F] dated
15/02/2021)

+1 CC to M/s.SPL GP (SR-5654[F] dated 17/02/2021)

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