



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated: 28.06.2022

Coram:

THE HONOURABLE MR.MUNISHWAR NATH BHANDARI, CHIEF JUSTICE
and
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE N.MALA

W.P.No.15574 of 2020
and
W.M.P.No.19432 of 2020
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Rangarajan Narasimhan

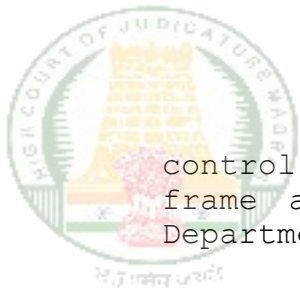
.. Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Chief Secretary to Government,
Govt. of Tamil Nadu,
Secretariat,
Chennai-600 009.
2. The State of Tamil Nadu,
rep. by its Secretary,
Department of Tourism, Culture and
Religious Endowments,
Secretariat, Fort St.George,
Chennai-600 009.
3. The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
119, Uthamar Gandhi Salai,
Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 034.
4. The Executive Officer,
Sri Kariyamanikka Perumal Temple, Periyur.
5. The Executive Officer,
Perundurai Town Panchayat,
Erode.

.. Respondents

Writ Petition (Public Interest Litigation) filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus to direct the second and third respondents to publish copies of all orders passed by the Government and the HR & CE Department, copies of all advertisements placed in leading newspapers by the HR & CE Department, and publish all proposals received by Trustees of Temples under the supervisory



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control of the HR & CE Department, within a reasonable time frame as set by this Court in the web-site of the HR & CE Department.

For petitioner : Mr.Rangarajan Narasimhan,
Petitioner-in-person

For respondents: Mr.N.R.R.Arun Natarajan,
Spl.G.P. for RR-1 to 3

ORDER

(The Order of the Court was made by The Honourable Chief Justice)

This Writ Petition has been filed to direct the second and third respondents to publish copies of all orders passed by the Government and the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (HR & CE) Department, copies of all advertisements placed in leading newspapers by the HR & CE Department and publish all proposals received by Trustees of Temples under the supervisory control of the HR & CE Department, within a reasonable time frame as set by this Court in the web-site of the H.R. & C.E. Department.

2. The sweeping direction of the nature sought for by the petitioner, cannot be granted, as otherwise, a special Legislation has been enacted to obtain information, i.e. under the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

3. In view of the above, if the petitioner wants copies of the documents mentioned in the prayer to the Writ Petition or any other information related thereto, then he has to apply for the same under the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005 and in that case, it shall be dealt with by the competent Officer as per the provisions of law.

4. With the above observations/direction, the Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS VIII)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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+1cc to the Government Pleader, S.R.No.40959

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