



W.P(MD)No.16342 of 2022

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

DATED : 02.09.2022

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

W.P(MD)No.16342 of 2022

and

W.M.P.(MD)No.11811 of 2022

S.Saibutheen

... Petitioner

**Vs.**

1.The District Collector,  
Tirunelveli District,  
Tirunelveli.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,  
Nanguneri,  
Tirunelveli District.

3.The Tahshildhar,  
Nanguneri Taluk,  
Tirunelveli District.

4.G.Saffi

5.I.Peer Mohammed

6.P.Mohamed Sirajudeen

... Respondents

**Prayer** : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents 1 to 3 to conduct peace committee meeting and to take suitable arrangements to celebrate Santhankoodu Festival in the 6th street Chavadi and the street there to situated in Ervadi Village, Nanguneri Taluk in Tirunelveli District between



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31.07.2022 to 09.08.2022 of on any date fixed by this Court by considering the Petitioner's representation dated 29.06.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Chengiz Khan

For Respondents : Mr.K.Balasubramani,  
Spl. Government Pleader for R1 to R3.  
Mr.T.Lajapathi Roy for R4.  
No appearance for R5.

### **ORDER**

Heard the learned counsel for the writ petitioner, the learned Special Government Pleader for the respondents 1 to 3 and the learned counsel for the fourth respondent.

2.The petitioner wants this Court to direct the official respondents to conduct peace committee meeting and make suitable arrangements for celebrating the petition mentioned event. There is no statutory provision under which the revenue authorities can conduct any peace committee meeting. Therefore, the main prayer is not sustainable. I have already held that for conducting religious functions, the permission from the authorities is not required. In this case, the petitioner is facing interference not from any authority but from private parties. Against private parties, no relief can be granted in writ proceedings. That apart, in earlier round, the petitioner had



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already suffered an order. It was held vide order dated 18.10.2019 in W.P. (MD)No.20147 of 2019 that the petitioner will have to necessarily approach the jurisdictional civil Court in the event of facing interference at the hands of private parties.

3.With this clarification, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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