



W.P. (MD) No. 21381 of 2014

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 15.12.2022

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.D.AUDIKEAVALU**

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and

M.P. (MD) No. 1 of 2014

P.Panneer Selvam

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The District Collector,  
District Collector Campus,  
Pudukottai District-622 001.
- 2.The Superintendent of Police,  
Office of the Superintendent of Police,  
Pudukkottai District.
- 3.The Assistant Commissioner,  
Office of the Assistant Commissioner,  
The Hindu Religious Charitable and  
Endowment Department,  
Tiruchirappalli-620 006.
- 4.The Executive Officer,  
The Hindu Religious Charitable and  
Endowment Department,  
Pudukkottai District.
- 5.The District Revenue Officer,  
District Collector Campus,  
Pudukkottai District.

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6.The Revenue Divisional Officer,  
Office of the Revenue Divisional Officer,  
Iluppur Taluk, Pudukottai District.

7.The Tahsildar,  
Ponnamaravathi Taluk,  
Pudukkottai District.

... Respondents

**PRAYER:** Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to stop the right of giving first respect during the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Mandagapadi Festival in Sri Kadhalivaneshwarar Temple at Thirukalambur Village, Ponnamaravathi Taluk, Pudukkottai District to any individual in Ambalakarar's Community scheduled to be held on 02.01.2015 and any other subsequent date and consequently conduct the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Mandagapadi Festival in a peaceful manner.

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| For Petitioner        | : Mr. V.R.Venkatesan                           |
| For RR1 to 3 & 5 to 7 | : Mr. P.Subbaraj<br>Special Government Pleader |
| For R4                | : Mr. G.Mathavan                               |

### ORDER

Heard Mr.V.R.Venkatesan, Learned Counsel for the Petitioner, Mr.P.Subbaraj, Learned Special Government Pleader for the First to Third and Fifth to Seventh Respondents and Mr.G.Mathavan, Learned Counsle for the Fourth Respondent and perused the materials placed on record apart from the pleadings of the parties.



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2. The Writ Petition has been filed to direct the Respondents to stop the right of giving 'First Respect' during the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Mandagapadi Festival in Sri Kadhalivaneshwarar Temple at Thirukalambur Village, Ponnamaravathi Taluk, Pudukkottai District to any individual.

3. Learned Counsel for the Fourth Respondent, on instructions, states that in furtherance to the understanding reached between the parties in the Peace Committee Meeting, no first respect had been given to any individual during 7<sup>th</sup> Day Mandagapadi Festival in Sri Kadhalivaneshwarar Temple and he has made an endorsement to that effect in the Court record

As nothing remains for further consideration, the Writ Petition is disposed. Consequently, the connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed. No costs.

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**P.D.AUDIKESAVALU,J.**

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