



W.P.No.14595 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.05.2023

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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and

W.M.P.Nos. 14074 & 14076 of 2023

A/M Veda Vinayagar,
Ayyanar, Mariamman, Seradiyamman,
Drowpathi Amman Temples,
By its Hereditary Trustee,
Padmanabha Pillai,
S/o.Narayanasami Pillai,
94, Pillayar Koil Street,
Sathukkudal Melpathi,
Vridhachalam Taluk,
Cuddalore District.

.. Petitioner

VS

- 1.The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
No.119, Uthamar Gandhi Salai,
Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600 034.
- 2.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Riverside Street,
Cuddalore – 607 001.
- 3.The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
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4.The Inspector,

Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Vridhachalam, Vridhachalam Taluk,
Cuddalore District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of certiorarified mandamus calling for the records and quash impugned Notification No.1104/2023/A1-843(46453) (Vinayagar), Notification No.1104/2023/A1-844(46454) (Ayyanar), Notification No.1104/2023/A1-842(46451) (Mariamman), Notification No.1104/2023/A1-843(46455) (Drowpathi Amman) all dated 07.04.2023 issued by 3rd respondent in the website of the respondents and consequently forbear the respondents from interfering with the petitioner's right of management of A/M Veda Vinayagar, Ayyanar, Mariamman, Seradiyamman, Drowpathi Temples, Sathukkudal, Vridhachalam Taluk, Cuddalore District.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Gururaj
for Mr.D.Baskar

For Respondents : Mr.S.Yaswanth,
Government Advocate
HR & CE

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed challenging the Notifications dated 07.04.2023 issued by the third respondent / Assistant Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department, Cuddalore.



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2. When the matter is taken up for hearing today, learned

Government Advocate would submit that the Temples are now under the control of HR & CE Department. He would further submit that, if the petitioner is able to produce any proof to show that he is the hereditary trustee, the respondents are ready to withdraw the notifications issued in respect of the temples in which the petitioner claims to be the trustee.

3. In view of the submission made by learned Government Advocate, this Court directs the petitioner to appear before the third respondent / Assistant Commissioner for enquiry on 22.05.2023 and produce relevant proof and the enquiry shall be completed within a period of six weeks thereafter.

4. Recording the above, this writ petition stands disposed of.
No costs. Connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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