



W.P. No. 32036 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.11.2023

CORAM

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.D. AUDIKESAVALU

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Dharamapuram Adheenam
by its Adheenakartha Sri-La-Sri
Masilamani Desiga Gnanasambanda
Paramachariya Swamigal
having his Seat at Dharmapuram
Mayiladuthurai – 609 001.

... Petitioner

-VS-

1. Chief Secretary
Government of Puducherry
Goubert Avenue, Beach Road
White Town, Puducherry-605001.
 2. Secretary to Government
Hindu Religious Institutions and Wakf
Goubert Avenue, Beach Road
White Town, Puduecherry-605001.
 3. District Collector cum Special Officer
Karaikal, Duplex Street
Karaikal, Puducherry – 609602.
 4. The Executive Officer
Sri Dharbaranyeshwarar Swamy Devasthanam
Thirunallar, Karaikal
Puducherry – 609602.
- Respondents

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Prayer:- Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, 1950, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents to consider Petitioner's representation dated 25.09.2023 and consequently, direct the Respondents to hold consultation with the Petitioner for the conduct of Sanipeyarchi Festival – 2023 as per the directions issued by the High Court in A.S. No. 426 and 429 of 1999.

For Petitioner : Mr. S.Girissh

For Respondents : Mr. S.Raveekumar (RR1 to 3)
Government Pleader (Puducherry)

Mr. V.Vasanthakumar (R4)

ORDER

Heard Mr. S.Girissh, Learned Counsel for the Petitioner, Mr. S.Raveekumar, Learned Government Pleader (Puducherry) appearing for the First to Third Respondents and Mr. V.Vasanthakumar, Learned Counsel appearing for the Fourth Respondent and perused the materials placed on record, apart from the pleadings of the parties.

2. The grievance ventilated by the Petitioner is that he had made a representation dated 25.09.2023 to the Third Respondent for holding consultation with him regarding conduct of Sanipeyarchi Festival – 2023 as per



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the directions issued in the judgment and decree dated 03.08.2012 in A.S. Nos.

426 and 429 of 1999 passed by this Court.

3. In the report dated 23.11.2023 filed by the Third Respondent in furtherance to the order dated 16.11.2023 passed by this Court, it has been stated as follows :-

“6. In compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras, Chennai, in A.S. Nos. 426 and 429 of 1999, the Government is consulting the Kattalai Visaranai – Representative of Dharumai Adheenam through the Special Officer, Executive Officer (Temples) and Indoor staff on a regular basis. With regard to Sanipeyarchi Festival – 2023, consultations are made with Kattalai Visaranai – Representative of Dharumai Adheenam by the Special Officer / Executive Officer (Temples). Kattalai Visaranai – Representative of Dharumai Adheenam was consulted on 07.11.2023 at Kattalai Madam in Thirunallar with regard to seeking a date for Pandakaal Muhurtham in connection with the Sanipeyarchi Festival 2023 and printing of Sanipeyarchi



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invitation by the Collector-cum-Special Officer and Executive Officer(Temples), SDSD, Thirunallaru. A draft copy of the invitation was also given to Kattalai Visaranai – Representative of Dharumai Adheenam.

7. The Executive Officer (Temples), SDSD, Thirunallar had also sought time from Kattalai Visaranai – Representative of Dharumai Adheenam for Pandhakkaal Muhurtham in connection with the conduct of Sanipeyarchi Festival 2023 vide Lr.No.Ne.A(Ko) Sri.Tha.Su.The/Thiru/2023/474, dated 28.10.2023. Kattalai Visaranai – Representative of Dharumai Adheenam had communicated the auspicious date and time vide Ne/Ka.Vi/Tha.Aa.Pe/Sri.Tha.Su.The/Thiru/2023-2024/020/661, dated 13.11.2023.”

In view of the aforesaid action taken, nothing remains for further consideration in the Writ Petition, but it would not preclude the Petitioner, if he has any other grievance, to work out their remedies before the proper forum in the manner recognized by law.



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In the result, the Writ Petition is disposed with the aforesaid observations.

No costs.

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NCC: Yes/No

Note: Issue order copy by 14.02.2024.

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