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W.P.(MD)NO.822 OF 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 19.01.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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S.Arumugam

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The State rep. By its
Secretary,
School Education Department,
Secretariat, Chennai.
2. The Director,
O/o.The Director,
School Education Department,
D.P.Complex, Chennai.
3. The District Collector,
O/o.The District Collector,
Tenkasi District.
4. The Chief Education Officer,
O/o.The Chief Education Officer,
Tenkasi District.
5. The Block Educational Officer,
O/o.Block Educational Officer,
Kadaiyanallur,
Tenkasi District.
6. The Secretary,
Hindu Nadar Uravinmurai Committee
Higher Secondary School,
Ariyanayagipuram,



Kadaiyanallur Taluk,
Tenkasi District.

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7. The Principal,
Hindu Nadar Uravinmurai Committee
Higher Secondary School,
Ariyanayagipuram,
Kadaiyanallur Taluk,
Tenkasi District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 and 2 to appoint the special officer to the Respondents 6 and 7 school under the provision prescribed by the Tamil Nadu Private Schools (Regulation) Act, 1973 by considering the petitioner's representation dated 20.12.2022 within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Thirumurugan

For R-1 to R-5 : Mr.S.Shaji Bino,
Special Government Pleader.

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ORDER

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the official respondents.



2. The petitioner's child is studying in the sixth respondent school. The specific allegation of the writ petitioner is that the school management is indulging in social practices that are highly offensive and opposed to statutory provisions. It is further alleged that during the last four months, as many as three students have committed suicide. The petitioner therefore wants this Court to appoint a special officer for the school.

3. I am not persuaded by the contentions of the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner. Section 18A of the Tamil Nadu Recognised Private Schools (Regulation) Act 1973 is not intended to cover cases of this nature. Since it is for the educational authorities to take a call, it is not appropriate for this Court to issue any positive direction. This writ petition stands dismissed. No costs.

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NCS : Yes / No
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