



W.P.(MD) No.7273 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 31.03.2023

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.SUBRAMANIAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI**

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... Petitioner

-VS-

1.The Directorate
The Directorate of Rural Development
and Panchayat Raj
Panangal Malegai, 4th and 5th Floor
Abdul Razzak Street
Saidapet, Chennai-625 015

2.The District Collector
Sivagangai, Sivagangai District

3.The Block Development Officer
Singampunari Panchayat Union
Sivagangai District

4.Vijaya Radhakrishnan

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 3 to take appropriate action against the fourth respondent as per the Tamil Nadu Panchayat Raj Act based on the petitioner's representation dated 28.02.2023 in accordance with law within a time stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Saravanakumar

For Respondents : Mr.P.Thilakkumar
Government Pleader for R1 & R2
Mr.S.P.Maharajan
Special Government Pleader for R3

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by R.SUBRAMANIAN, J.]

Mr.P.Thilakkumar, learned Government Pleader, takes notice for the respondents 1 & 2 and Mr.S.P.Maharajan, learned Special Government Pleader, takes notice for the third respondent.

2. Considering the limited scope of the prayer sought for in this writ petition, notice to the private respondent is deemed unnecessary.

3. The complaint of the petitioner is that though the fourth respondent was elected as the President of Mallakottai Panchayat in Sivagangai District, her husband Radhakrishnan is functioning as *de facto* President and he is also taking part in all the meetings of the Panchayat. Apart from the above, there are certain complaints for certain irregularities also made by the petitioner. Complaining inaction on part of the respondents in acting on his complaints, the petitioner has come up with this writ petition.



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4. Without going into the merits of the matter, we direct the Inspector of Panchayats, namely, the District Collector, Sivagangai District / second respondent to enquire into the complaints of the petitioner and pass orders thereon, within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. The writ petition is disposed of with the above direction. No costs.

[R.S.M., J.] [L.V.G., J.]
31.03.2023

NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
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