



W.P.(MD) No.7398 of 2023

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED : 03.04.2023**

**CORAM:**

**THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE P.T.ASHA**

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D.J.Vijay Aravindan

.. Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Joint Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable  
Endowment Department,  
Ellis Nagar, Madurai District.

2.The Executive Officer,  
Arulmighu Sri Sastha Ayyanar  
Sri Santhanakaruppu Swamy Thirukovil,  
Thanichiyam, Vadipatti Taluk,  
Madurai District.

3.The Superintendent of Police,  
District Police Office,  
Madurai District-625 007.

4.The Inspector of Police,  
Vadipatti Police Station,  
Madurai Rural.

5.Thavamani

.. Respondents



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Prayer :- Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing respondents 1 and 2 to permit the petitioner and five village people like Thanichiyam, Ayyankottai, Ayyanagoundampatti, Sembugudipatti, and Vadugapatti to conduct the festival without changes the customs, usage, heritage and culture of past 200 years in Anchukottai Arulmighu Sri Sastha Ayyanar Sri Santhanakaruppu Swamy Thirukovil in future based on his representation dated 14.03.2023.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Gunaseelanmuthiah  
For RR1 to 4 : Mr.P.Subbaraj  
Special Government Pleader

### **ORDER**

This writ petition is filed to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing respondents 1 and 2 to permit the petitioner and five village people like Thanichiyam, Ayyankottai, Ayyanagoundampatti, Sembugudipatti, and Vadugapatti to conduct the festival without changing the customs, usage, heritage and culture of past 200 years in Anchukottai Arulmighu Sri Sastha Ayyanar Sri Santhanakaruppu Swamy Thirukovil in future based on the petitioner's representation dated 14.03.2023.



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2. It is seen that even as per the petitioner, the festival has already taken place in keeping with the custom and tradition.

3. The learned Special Government Pleader assures the Court that the Department will continue to follow the custom and tradition in future.

4. Considering the fact that the festival has already taken place in keeping with the custom and tradition and recording the assurance given by the learned Special Government Pleader, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

**03.04.2023**

NCC : Yes/No  
Index : Yes/No  
Internet : Yes

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