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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **28.04.2023**

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

W.P.(MD) No.10862 of 2023
and
W.M.P.(MD) No.9519 of 2023

Annadurai ... Petitioner

/vs./

1.The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious Charitable and Endowment Board,
Paramakudi,
Ramanathapuram District.

2.The Executive Officer,
Hindu Religious Charitable and Endowment Board,
Shellamani Vinayagar Thirkkovil,
Devakottai,
Sivagangai District.

3.The Tahsildar,
Devakottai Taluk Office,
Devakottai,
Sivagangai District.

4.The Inspector of Police,
Devakottai Police Station,
Devakottai, Sivagangai District.

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5.Naganathan

6.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious Charitable and Endowment Board,
Sivagangai.
(R6 has been *suo motu* impleaded
vide order dated 28.04.2023) ... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 1 and 2 to ensure that the petitioner is allowed to continue as a Poosari of Arulmighu Sudalaimadasamy and Manjanai Pechiamman Thirukkovil Eravuseri Devakottai Thirkkovil Devakottai as usual by considering the representation dated 06.02.2022 within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Shajahan

For R1 to R4 : Mr.P.Subbaraj
Special Government Pleader

ORDER

The above writ petition has been filed for the issue of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 1 and 2 to ensure that the petitioner is allowed to continue as Poosari of Arulmighu Sudalaimadasamy and Manjanai Pechiamman Thirukkovil Eravuseri Devakottai Thirkkovil Devakottai as usual by considering the representation dated 06.03.2023.

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2.Heard Mr.A.Shajahan, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Mr.P.Subbaraj, learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 4.

3.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court for the purpose of issuing direction is *suo motu* impleading the Joint Commissioner, Hindu Religious Charitable and Endowment Board, Sivagangai, who is the competent authority to consider the representation of the petitioner, as sixth respondent. The relief that is sought for by the petitioner in the above writ petition is to consider his representation dated 06.03.2023, wherein he has requested the respondents 1 and 2 to ensure him continuing as Poosari of the temples referred supra.

4.Considering the limited relief sought for, the Writ Petition is allowed with a direction to the sixth respondent to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 06.03.2023 given by the petitioner and dispose of the same within a period

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of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. However, there shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

Speaking : Yes / No **28.04.2023**
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Note :

Registry is directed to carry out necessary amendment and after carry out necessary amendment issue order copy on 28.04.2023.

To

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