



W.P(MD)No.11467 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 10.05.2023

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN
AND
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY**

W.P(MD)No.11467 of 2023

S.Fidelis

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
Thoothukudi District Collector Office,
National Highway 7A,
Korampallam,
Thoothukudi District -628 101.

2.The District Superintendent of Police,
District Superintendent Office,
National Highway 7A,
Korampallam,
Thoothukudi District-628 101.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to allow the people to enter into the Chapel and conduct enquiry under Section 147 of Cr.P.C and direct the second respondent to give police protection for the devotees to enter into the chapel and conduct their prayer service peacefully.



W.P(MD)No.11467 of 2023

For Petitioner :Mr.S.Fidelis (Party in Person)
For Respondents :M/s.S.Jeya Priya
Government Advocate

ORDER

Heard the petitioner in person and the learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondents.

2. The grievance of the petitioner is that in the Chapel constructed in the petition mentioned site, owing to dispute with a rival group, the petitioner and others are not allowed to offer their prayers.

3. We wanted to know the character of the land on which the construction had come up. It appears to be a poramboke land. It is not a private patta land. We wanted to know is after getting planning permission and clearance from the District Collector, the construction was put up. The answer is in the negative. We fail to understand as to how a place of religious worship can be allowed to be put up without compliance of the relevant laws. If the construction is illegal, the first respondent is obliged to take action as per law.



W.P(MD)No.11467 of 2023

4. With this direction to the first respondent, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

[G.R.S.,J.] [S.S.Y.,J.]
10.05.2023

Index: Yes/No
Internet: Yes/No
NCC: Yes/No
SJ/SN

To

1. The District Collector,
Thoothukudi District Collector Office,
National Highway 7A,
Korampallam,
Thoothukudi District -628 101.
2. The District Superintendent of Police,
District Superintendent Office,
National Highway 7A,
Korampallam,
Thoothukudi District-628 101.



WEB COPY



W.P(MD)No.11467 of 2023

G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.

AND

S.SRIMATHY, J.

SJ/SN

ORDER MADE IN

W.P(MD)No.11467 of 2023

10.05.2023