



W.P(MD)No.28374 of 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 05.01.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.MURALI SHANKAR

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: Petitioner

Vs

1. The District Collector,
Trichy District, Trichy

2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Lalgudi Sub Division, Lalgudi,
Trichy District

3. The Thasildar,
Lalgudi Taluk,
Lalgudi,
Trichy District

4. The Superintendent of Police,
Trichy District, Trichy

5. State Represented by its
Sub-Inspector of Police,
Kallakkudi Police Station (Crime),
Trichy District

6. The Parise Priest,
VF of Pullambadi,
Pullambadi Parise,
Pullambadi, Trichy District

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7. The Parise Priest,
Kallakkudi Parise Priest,
Kallakkudi,
Trichy District

8. The Church Comity,
St.Antony Church,
Kallakkudi,
Trichy District

9. Dhanarajan,

10. Yakopu Regis,

: Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1st to 5th respondents to take appropriate action against 9th and 10th respondents for excommunicating the petitioner in St.Antony church, Kallakkudi and preventing the petitioner from performing the Religious customary duty in the festival on 09.01.2023 by considering petitioner's representation, dated 10.10.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.B.Kayvin Prince

For R1 to R3 : Mr.J.K.Jeyaselan

Government Advocate (Civil Side)

For R4 & R5 : Mr.R.Siva Kumar

Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

For R6 & R7 : Mrs.M.Anbarasi

For R8 to R10 : Mrs.J.Maria Roseline



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ORDER

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This writ petition has been filed in the nature of Mandamus, seeking a direction to the the respondents 1 to 5 to take appropriate action against the respondents 9 and 10 for excommunicating the petitioner in St.Antony church, Kallakkudi and preventing the petitioner from performing the Religious customary duty in the festival, which is scheduled to be conducted on 09.01.2023, by considering the petitioner's representation, dated 10.10.2022.

2.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) would submit that the ninth respondent has already filed a petition in W.P(MD)No.28650 of 2022, seeking police protection for conducting Pongal Festival at Punitha Anthonyiar Church, situated at Kallakudi, Lalgudi Taluk, Trichy District, commencing from 09.01.2023 and to be celebrated until 18.01.2023 and this Court, considering the submissions made by the learned Counsel appeared on either side and also taking note of the undertaking given by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appeared for the respondents 1 to 3 therein, has passed an order directing the respondents 1 to 3 to pass suitable orders



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immediately. In pursuance of the same, the third respondent has referred the matter to the Revenue Divisional Officer, Lalkudi, to convene a peace committee meeting.

3.The learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Counsels appearing for the respondents 6 to 10 would submit that they are ready to appear before the Revenue Divisional Officer, Lalkudi.

4.Recording the said submission, the second respondent is directed to conduct a peace committee meeting and pass orders in accordance with law, within a period of three days from today i.e., 05.01.2023.

5.With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

05.01.2023

NCC : Yes / No

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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