



W.P(MD)No.29408 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 13.12.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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R.Mariyappan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The District Collector,
Tenkasi District,
Tenkasi.

2.The Superintendent of Police,
Tenkasi District,
Tenkasi.

3.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Tenkasi.

4.The Tahsildar,
Tenkasi Taluk,
Tenkasi District.

5.The Inspector of Police,
Sokkampatti Police Station,
Tenkasi Taluk,
Tenkasi District.

... Respondents



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Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to open the Arul Mighu Kannimula Vinayagar Kalaiyarangam and Temple, Pambu Kovil Santhai, Madathupatti, Kadaiyanallur Taluk, Tenkasi District for public use and public worship on the basis of representation 06.11.2023.

For Petitioner : Mr.B.Vijay Karthikeyan

For Respondents : Mr.K.Balasubramani
Special Government Pleader
for R.1, R.3 & R.4

Mr.A.Albert James
Government Advocate for R.2 & R.5

ORDER

Heard both sides.

2.The grievance of the petitioner is that the community temple has been locked by the fifth respondent. The petitioner even names the concerned Police official. The petitioner has given a representation before the second respondent. The second respondent will immediately conduct an enquiry and find out under what provision of law or authority of law, the Police official had locked the petition mentioned temple. If



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the second respondent is satisfied that without any such authority the temple has been locked, the lock will be removed forthwith and without any delay. The second respondent will take a decision in this regard within a period of seven (7) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

3.This writ petition is disposed of accordingly. There shall be no order as to costs.

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NCC : Yes/No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes/ No
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Note: Issue order copy on 15.12.2023.

To

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