



W.P.No.31714 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.02.2024

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.SANJAY V.GANGAPURWALA, CHIEF JUSTICE
AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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Tamilarasan

.. Petitioner

VS

1.The District Collector,
Collectorate Building,
Ranipettai District-632 401.

2.The Revenue Divisional Officer,
RDO Office Building,
Ranipettai Revenue Division,
Ranipettai District-632 401.

3.The Tashildar,
Walaja Taluk,
Ranipettai District.

4.The Pastor,
CSI Church,
Ayallam Village, Walaja Taluk,
Ranipettai District.

.. Respondents

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India
seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus to direct the respondents 1



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to 3 to consider the request for permitting the Penthegost followers of Christian religion to bury the body at grave yard in Survey No.395, Ayallam Village, Walaja Taluk, Ranipettai District or any other suitable place with proper access to the same.

For the Petitioner : Mr.D.Murugan
for Mr.B.Manoharan

For the Respondents : Mr.T.K.Saravanan
Government Advocate
for respondents 1 to 3

ORDER

(Order of the court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

We have heard Mr.D.Murugan, learned counsel for Mr.B.Manoharan, learned counsel for the petitioner; and, Mr.T.K.Saravanan, learned Government Advocate for respondents 1 to 3.

2. Learned Government Advocate submits that there is excess space for burying the dead body in Kathiyawadi Village Field No.393.

3. Burial cannot take place in any land except the licensed



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premises. It is for the petitioner to apply for licence at a particular place or allotment of place for burial with the Government authorities.

4. The petitioner may make an application to the Government authorities for the said purpose, which application would be considered by the authorities on its own merits and in accordance with law expeditiously, preferably within six months from the date of receipt of the application.

5. With these observations, the writ petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

(S.V.G., C.J.)

(D.B.C., J.)

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Neutral Citation : Yes/No
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