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W.P.(MD)NO.5457 OF 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 07.03.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.5457 of 2024

P.Gopal

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
Karur District,
Karur.
2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Kulithalai, Karur.
3. The Tahsildar,
Kulithalai, Karur District.
4. Chinna Pomma Naiker
5. The Inspector of Police,
Thogaimalai police station,
Karur District.

(R-5 is suo motu impleaded vide order dated 07.03.2024)

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the third respondent to ensure our participation and worship in Poojas to be conducted on 08.03.2024 in Ponnu Amman temple, Kuppamettupatti Village on the basis of the petitioner's representation dated 03.02.2024 which was forwarded by the second respondent to the third respondent dated 12.02.2024.



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For Petitioner : Mr.T.Augustine Ebenezer
For R-1 to R-3 : Mr.A.Kannan,
Additional Government Pleader.
For R-4 : Mr.V.Muthusamundeeswaran
For R-5 : Mr.A.Albert James,
Government Advocate.
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ORDER

Heard both sides.

2. The petition mentioned temple shall be kept open by the fourth respondent from 6.00 p.m. tomorrow evening till 6.00 a.m. on 09.03.2024. The petitioner is entitled to enter the temple and offer worship like any other devotees. The petitioner cannot claim any other right based on this order. The brother of the fourth respondent states that only the fourth respondent has to officiate as Poojari. It is open to the petitioner to accept the said arrangement. The petitioner as well as the others are strictly restrained from creating any issue. The only right declared in their favour by this Court is that they can offer their worship in the petition mentioned temple. The fifth respondent shall intervene if any complaint is received from the fourth respondent in this regard.



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3. This writ petition stands allowed accordingly. No costs.

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Note : Issue order copy on 07.03.2024.

To:

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