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W.P.(MD)NO.6881 OF 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 20.03.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.6881 of 2024

Saranya

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Commissioner,
Aranthangi Municipality,
Aranthangi,
Pudukottai District.

... Respondent

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to change the petitioner's daughter's birth certificate in the place of mother's name Saranya instead of Zerina Begum in Birth Certificate registration No.2504/2013/01 dated 05.12.2013 on the basis of the petitioner's representation dated 05.03.2024.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Arunraj

For Respondents : Mr.S.Kameshwaran,
Government Advocate.

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**ORDER**

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Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2. The petitioner was originally known as Zerina Begum. She was born as a Muslim. She married one Velpandi some twenty years ago. The petitioner is now called as Saranya. On 30.11.2013, a girl child was born. All that the petitioner wants is correction of her name in her daughter's birth certificate.

3. The petitioner's counsel drew my attention to Aadhar card, Family card and other documents in which she has been mentioned as Saranya. Since the petitioner was originally known as Zerina Begum, she must formally effect name change through gazette publication. The petitioner is permitted to submit a fresh application to the respondent along with a copy of the gazette publication indicating her name change as Saranya. Once such an application is submitted, the respondent will issue revised Birth Certificate for the petitioner's daughter Roshika by mentioning the petitioner's name as Saranya. In the Birth Certificate, the name Saranya alone will be mentioned. However, in the original revenue



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record the name “Zerina Begum” will be rounded off and “Saranya” shall be substituted. This writ petition stands allowed on these terms. No costs.

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