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W.P.(MD)NO.12615 OF 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 01.07.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.12615 of 2024

R.Alagumalai

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
District Collectorate,
Dindigul.
2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
No.9, Sub Collector Office Road,
Dindigul.
3. The Tahsildar,
Dindigul East Taluk Office,
Dindigul.
4. The Inspector of Police,
Shanarpatti police station,
Dindigul District.
5. S.Murugesan
6. Pitchaimuthu

(Respondents 5 & 6 are impleaded vide order dated 01.07.2024
in W.M.P.(MD)No.12178 of 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 give permission for conduct of temple festival scheduled to



be held on 02.07.2024 to 11.07.2024 in the eve of “Arulmigu Sri Nallavinayagar, Kaliyamman, Mariyamman, Bagavathiyamman and Manthai Karupannasamy” are situated at Thavasimadai Village, Dindigul East Taluk, Dindigul District and to conduct Purana Drama on 10.07.2024 at about 9.00 p.m. and to conduct “traditional songs” programme(நாட்டுப்புற கலை நிகழ்ச்சி) on 10.07.2024 at about 9.00 p.m by considering the petitioner's representation dated 05.06.2024.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Arunraj
For R-1 to R-3 : Mr.D.Sasikumar,
Additional Government Pleader.
For R-4 : Mr.A.Albert James,
Government Advocate.
For R-5 & R-6 : Mr.H.Lakshmi Shankar

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ORDER

Heard both sides.

2. The case on hand pertains to conduct of the petition mentioned temple festival. An agreement has been arrived at between the parties in this year. It has been specifically agreed that the festival that can very well go on. A common person will officiate as priest.



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3. It is directed that the person to be chosen as priest will not be a party to the proceedings in O.S.No.70 of 2021 on the file of the Principal District Munsif, Dindigul. It is for the jurisdictional police to ensure that the suit party does not officiate as priest for the proposed temple. The festival can very well go on. Subject to the aforesaid condition, this writ petition stands disposed of. No costs.

01.07.2024

NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes/ No
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