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W.P.(MD)NO.18193 OF 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 31.07.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.18193 of 2024 AND

W.M.P.(MD)Nos.15506 & 15508 of 2024

V.Kaleeswaran

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The District Collector,
Collectorate, Sivagangai District.
2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,
Manamadurai Division, Sivagangai District.
3. The Tahsildar,
Manamadurai Taluk, Sivagangai District.
4. Murugesan
5. Kannan
6. Sundaram
7. Sanmugam

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records pertaining to the impugned order in Na.Ka.A4/2061/2024 dated 29.07.2024 passed by the third respondent and to quash the same as illegal, arbitrary and consequently to direct the respondents 1 to 3 to ensure peaceful procession of the car festival as scheduled on 31.07.2024 without disturbing the existing religious practices.

For Petitioner : Mr.Ramanathan
For R-1 to R-3 : Mr.D.Sasikumar,
Additional Government Pleader.

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**ORDER**

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What is under challenge is the decision taken in a peace committee meeting. It is seen that the Tahsildar, Manamadurai had convened a meeting of “A” party and “B” party. The petitioner represents “A” party. The petitioner refused to sign the minutes. In the minutes drawn by the Tahsildar, certain decisions have been set out.

2. I have consistently held that the Tahsildar cannot take any binding decision in a peace committee meeting. Even if the petitioner disobeys the decision or acts in breach of the same, he will not incur any legal consequence. The impugned order has no statutory value or force.

3. With this observation and clarification, this writ petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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