



W.P.(MD) No.18715 & 17662 of 2023

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 21.06.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

W.P.(MD) Nos.18715 & 17662 of 2023

and

W.M.P.(MD)No.14758 of 2023

In W.P(MD)No.18715 of 2023:

Gowri Sankar

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Nungambakkam, Chennai - 34.

2.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Dindigul.

3. The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Dindigul Division,
Dindigul.

4.The Executive Officer,
Arulmigu Pusaripatti Sri Kannimaar Kovil,
Poosaripatti,
Gujilamparai Taluk,



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Dindigul.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus to direct the 2nd and 3rd respondents to consider the application of the petitioner for getting appointed as Trustee of the 4th respondent temple without any political interference by giving opportunity of hearing to the petitioner.

For petitioner : No appearance

For respondents : Mr.S.Subbaraj
Special Government Pleader for R1 to R4
Mrs.J.Saranya for R5

In W.P.(MD)No.17662 of 2023:

M.Jayasaravanabalaji

... Petitioner

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Poosaripatti,
Gujilamparai Taluk,
Dindigul.

5.Muniyandi.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus to forbear the respondents 2 to 4 from politically appoint and nominate the 5th respondent as trustee of the 4th respondent temple and further direct the respondents 2 to 4 for formulating a meeting among the villagers and the devotees of the 4th respondent temple for the purpose of democratically constituting and appointing the trustees to the 4th respondent temple by considering the representation of the petitioner.

For petitioner : Mr.K.R.Laxman

For respondents : Mr.S.Subbaraj

Special Government Pleader for R1 to R4

Mrs.J.Saranya for R5

COMMON **ORDER**

By this common order, both the Writ Petitions have been disposed of.

2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Special Government Pleader for the respondents 1 to 4 and the learned counsel for the fifth respondent.



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3. These two Writ Petitions have been filed for the following reliefs:

W.P.(MD)No. 18715 of 2023	To direct the 2 nd and 3 rd respondents to consider the application of the petitioner for getting appointed as Trustee of the 4 th respondent temple without any political interference by giving opportunity of hearing to the petitioner.
W.P.(MD)No. 17662 of 2023	To forbear the respondents 2 to 4 from politically appoint and nominate the 5 th respondent as trustee of the 4 th respondent temple and further direct the respondents 2 to 4 for formulating a meeting among the villagers and the devotees of the 4 th respondent temple for the purpose of democratically constituting and appointing the trustees to the 4 th respondent temple by considering the representation of the petitioner.

4. The learned counsel for the official respondents/respondents 1 to 4 would submit that the respective petitioners' representations/applications will be considered and disposed of on merits and in accordance with law.

5. Recording the above, the Court is inclined to dispose of these two Writ Petitions.

6. Needless to state, before disposing of the representations/applications of the respective petitioners, the newly impleaded respondent no.5/P.Muniyandi in W.P.(MD)No.18715 of 2023 shall also be heard.



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These Writ Petitions are disposed of, with above directions. No costs.

Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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