



W.P(MD)No.24292 of 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 16.10.2024

CORAM :

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.SUBRAMANIAN
and
THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI**

**W.P(MD)No.24292 of 2024
and
W.M.P.(MD)Nos.20753 and 20756 of 2024**

S.P.Narayanan

... Petitioner

vs.

1. The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
No.119, Uthamar Gandhi Street,
Nungampakkam,
Chennai.

2. The Joint Commissioner / Executive Officer,
Arulmigu Subramaniaswamy Thirukovil,
Tiruchendur,
Thoothukudi District.

... Respondents

Prayer : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, by calling for the entire records pertaining to the order passed by the 1st respondent in Na.Ka.No. 64647/2019/ESatt2/dated 22.12.2020, and quash the same and consequently direct the respondents to keep the doors of Rajagopuram open in Arulmigu Subramaniya Swamy Thirukovil, Tiruchendur, Thoothukudi District.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Ashok
For R1 : Mr.P.Thilakkumar
Government Pleader
For R2 : Mr.M.Muthugeethaiyan
Standing Counsel

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by **R.SUBRAMANIAN, J.**)

The order impugned in the Writ Petition is dated 22.12.2020 and it has been almost four years since then. The Writ Petition is clearly hit by laches. Moreover, a decision to open an entrance of the Temple is essentially a decision that is to be taken by the authorities depending upon prevailing situation on ground. This Court cannot interfere with such decisions under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. Hence, this Writ Petition is dismissed. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

(R.S.M, J.) (L.V.G, J.)
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