



W.P.(MD) No.24733 of 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 18.10.2024

CORAM:

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

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Aaniliyappar Trust,
Represented by its Trustee,
P.Subramaniam,
1/25, Amman Nagar East,
T.Sellandipalayam, Thoranangalpatti,
Thanthoni,
Karur – 639 003.

... Petitioner

-VS-

- 1.The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai – 600 009.
- 2.The Secretary to Government,
Home Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai – 600 009.
- 3.The Secretary to Government,
Tourism Culture and Religious Endownments Department,
Secretariat,
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- 4.The Commissioner of Revenue Administration,
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Chennai – 600 005.



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- 5.The Commissioner of Land Administration,
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Chennai – 600 005.
- 6.The Director of Survey & Settlements,
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Chennai – 600 005.
- 7.The Inspector General of Registrations,
100, Santhome High Road,
Chennai – 600 028.
- 8.The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
119, Nungambakkam High Road,
Chennai – 600 034.
- 9.The Director,
Hindu Charitable Institutions Audit Department,
Tenampet,
Chennai – 600 018.
- 10.The District Collector,
Karur.
- 11.The District Revenue Officer,
Karur.
- 12.The Tahsildar,
Temple lands,
Karur.
- 13.The Inspector General of Police,
Central Zone,
Trichirappalli.
- 14.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Thiruppur.
- 15.Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department,
Karur.
- 16.A.Radhakrishnan



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17.The Fit Person,
Arulmigu Sozheshwarar Thirukoil,
Mettu Mahathanapuram,
Krishnarayapuram Taluk,
Karur District.

18.The Executive Officer,
Arulmigu Sozheshwarar Thirukoil,
Mettu Mahathanapuram,
Krishnarayapuram Taluk,
Karur District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the 1 to 15, 17th respondents to renovate the 18th respondent temple forthwith by utilizing the fund allotted and further direct to secure and safeguard the interest of minor to the 18th respondent temple in all aspects by consideration the petitioner's representations dated 14.05.2019 and 08.10.2024.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Mohammed Sherbudeen
For Respondents 1 to 15 : Mr.P.Thilak Kumar
Government Pleader

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by R.SUBRAMANIAN, J.]

Mr.P.Thilak Kumar, learned Government Pleader takes notice for the respondents 1 to 15.

2.It is seen from the communication of the Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Endowments Department, dated 01.07.2024, that a list of about 77 temples, which are more than 1000 years old has already been



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prepared by the Department and action for renovation of those temples as well as action to protect the properties of those temples is under way.

3.In view of the same, we do not see any necessity to issue a Mandamus as prayed for. Hence, the Writ Petition is closed with liberty to the petitioner to renew if no renovation takes place within one year from today. No Costs.

[R.S.M., J.]

[L.V.G., J.]

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