



W.P.(MD).No.24382 of 2024

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 27.11.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.KUMARESH BABU

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and

W.M.P.(MD)Nos.20706 and 20707 of 2024

V.Pandurangan

...Petitioner

Vs

- 1.The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Chennai – 600 034.
- 2.The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Ellis Nagar, Madurai.
- 3.Arulmigu Ammaluammal @ Guruvammal Trust,
Represented by its Managing Trustees,
Alwarpuram,
Madurai North,
Madurai.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records relating to the impugned election notification passed by the second respondent No.Ve.Aa.No. 86/Se.Ma.Tho.A./Madurai dated 27.09.2024 advertised in the newspaper



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on 28.09.2024 quash the same and consequently directing the second respondent to conduct fair election by inviting application from the members of the trust, to call for objections after giving specific time, prepare the proper eligible voters list and thereafter conduct the elections of appointment of trustees for Arulmigu Ammaluammal @ Guruvammal Trust.

For Petitioner : Mr.F.Deepak
For R-1 and R-2 : Mr.P.Subbaraj
Special Government Pleader
For R-3 : Mr.V.N.Arjun
for Mr.N.Vallinayagam

ORDER

Heard Mr.F.Deepak, learned counsel for the petitioner, Mr.P.Subbaraj, learned Special Government Pleader for the respondents 1 and 2 and Mr.V.N.Arjun for Mr.N.Vallinayagam, learned counsel for the 3rd respondent.

2. This Writ Petition has been filed challenging the the impugned election notification passed by the second respondent dated 27.09.2024 advertised in the newspaper on 28.09.2024 and to consequently direct



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the second respondent to conduct fair election by inviting application from the members of the trust, to call for objections after giving specific time, prepare the proper eligible voters list and thereafter conduct the elections of appointment of trustees for Arulmigu Ammaluammal @ Guruvammal Trust.

3. The primary contention of the petitioner is that the impugned order dated 27.09.2024, which calls for conducting an election for the fifth respondent temple, is based on nominations submitted in 2016 for an election scheduled on 15.10.2024. Consequently, this Court directed the respondents to produce the relevant files to determine whether the election will be proceeded based on the nominations filed pursuant to the notification dated 22.09.2016.

4. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for respondents 1 and 2 submitted that he had perused the file and that the advertisement for conducting the election was issued based on the election notification of the year 2016. Although the advertisement also requested eligible voters' details from



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6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petitions are closed.

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NCC:yes/no

Index:yes/no

Internet:yes/no

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