



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 29.02.2024

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CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR.SANJAY V.GANGAPURWALA, CHIEF JUSTICE

and

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P.DHANABAL

W.P.(MD)No.11745 of 2017

and

W.M.P.(MD)No.9043 of 2017

Kanimozhi Mathi

Petitioner

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Vs.

1.Archeological Survey of India,
Rep. by the Director General,
Janpath, New Delhi – 110 011.

2.The Union of India,
Rep. by the Chief Secretary,
Minister for culture and Tourism,
No.501, “C” Wing Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi.

3.State of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Chief Secretary,
St. George Fort, Chennai.

4.Department of Archeology,
State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by the Commissioner,
Tamil Valarchi Valaagam,
Thamizh Salai, Egmore,



Chennai – 600 008.

5.The Superintending Archeologist,
Bangalore Circle,
5th Floor, “F” Wing,
Kendriya Sadan, 17th Main Road,
Koramangala, Bangalore – 560 034.

6.The Superintending Archeologist,
Keezhadi Excavation site,
Madurai District.

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Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the first and second respondents to again appoint discoverer of the site Mr.Amarnath Ramanakrishnan as Superintending Archeologist for the Keezhadi excavation site.

For Petitioner : Mrs.Kanimozhimathi

For Respondents : Mr.K.Govindarajan – for R1, R2, R5 & R6

Deputy Solicitor General of India

Assisted by Ms.B.Deepa,

Central Government Standing Counsel

Mr.T.Amjad Khan

Government Advocate – for R3 & R4

ORDER

[Order of the Court was made by The Hon'ble CHIEF JUSTICE]



The present Writ Petition is filed seeking direction not to transfer one Mr.Amarnath Ramanakrishnan, Superintending Archeologist from Keezhadi excavation site.

2.It is submitted that the said person was transferred in the year 2013 to Guwahati and from there to Goa and now he is transferred to Chennai in the Temple Wing.

3.The said relief now would not survive.

4.In the light of that, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

[P.D.B., J.]

[S.V.G., C.J.]

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Index : Yes / No
Neutral Citation : Yes / No
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