



WP(MD)No.23691 of 2017

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated: 05.02.2024

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **B.PUGALENDHI**

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Mukkuperi Pragasapuram
Indian Eka Ratchagar Sabai,
Mukuperi
represented by its President,
Mathuram,
9/46, South Street,
Mukuperi,
Thoothukudi District. ... Petitioner
Vs

1.The Chief Educational Officer,
Thoothukudi.

2.The District Educational Officer,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi.

3.The District Elementary Educational Officer,
Thoothukudi District,
Thoothukudi.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ of mandamus directing the 1st respondent to dispose of the petitioner's representation dated 25.10.2017 for Saturday to be a Holiday as far as possible in our schools namely Eka Ratchagar Higher Secondary School, Salai Pudur, Eka Ratchagar Middle School, Mukuperi



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and Hindu Christian Primary School, Salai Pudur,
Mukuperi and Hindu Christian Primary School, Salai
Pudur within stipulated time.

For Petitioners : Mr.T.A.Ebinezer

For Respondent : Mr.G.V.Vairam Santhosh

Additional Govt.Pleader

ORDER

The petitioner society runs educational institutions. They claim that they are the followers of the Bible and in Exodus 31:12 of the Bible, the Lord warned of the consequences of failing to observe the Sabbath on Saturdays and if anyone fails to observe the Sabbath, he will be put to death. By referring this the petitioner has made a request in the year 2017 to declare Saturdays as holiday for the educational institutions run by the petitioner society and has filed this writ petition.

2.The petitioner educational agency which receives grant has to adhere to the Rules and Regulations framed by the government for running the



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schools and as such, the prayer cannot be maintained.

Therefore, this writ petition is dismissed. No costs.

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Internet : Yes / No

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