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W.P. No.24294 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28.07.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,  
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

W.P.No.24294 of 2025  
and W.M.P.No.27344 of 2025

R.K.Somasundaram,  
S/o.Kumaravel,  
District Joint Coordinator of ABGP,  
No.1/198, Paravai Market,  
South Poigai Nallur, Velankanni,  
Nagapattinam-611 111.

Petitioner

Vs

1.The Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable  
Endowments Department,  
No.119, Uthamar Gandhi Salai,  
Thousand Lights West,  
Nungambakkam,  
Chennai-600 034.

2.The District Collector,  
Nagapattinam District,  
Nagapattinam.



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3. The Joint Commissioner  
Office of the Joint Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable  
Endowments Department,  
Nagapattinam-611 001.

Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of prohibition, prohibiting the respondents permanently from cutting the 100 year old Peepal Tree and also removal of Ganesh Idol under it.

For Petitioner: Ms.A.Jagadeeswari

For Respondents: Mr.N.R.R.Arun Natarajan  
Spl. G.P. (HR & CE)  
for respondent Nos.1 and 3

Mr.M.Habeeb Rahman  
Government Advocate  
for respondent No.2

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

At the outset, learned counsel for respondent Nos.1 and 3 submitted that, though initially it was proposed, now felling of tree or removal of Ganesh Idol is not being done and an alternative arrangement has already been made and no further construction,



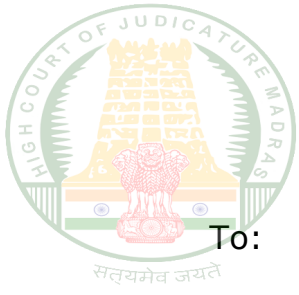
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except removal of tin sheet, is taking place. In support his submission, a communication dated 9.7.2025 along with photographs has been placed on record.

2. In view of the above statement, no further orders need to be passed in this petition and the petition is disposed of as infructuous. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, interim application stands closed.

(MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA, CJ) (SUNDER MOHAN,J)  
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Index : Yes/No  
Neutral Citation : Yes/No  
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