



W.P.No.28092 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 18.12.2025

CORAM :

THE HONOURABLE MR. MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

W.P.No.28092 of 2025
and W.M.P.No.31510 of 2025

C.Baskaran
S/o. Chellappan,
No.4/38, Bajanai Koil Street,
Siruniam Village, Sholavaram Post,
Chennai-600 067,
Tiruvallur District.

Petitioner

Vs

- 1.The District Collector
Tiruvallur District, Collectorate,
Tiruvallur -602001
- 2.The Revenue Divisional Officer
Railway Station Road,
Ponneri -601 204
- 3.The Block Development Officer
Sholavaram Union, Sholavaram,
Chennai-600 067
- 4.The Tahsildar
Taluk Office, Sholavaram,
Puzhal, Chennai-600 067



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5.The Parish Priest,
St. Mary Magdalene Church,
No.1, Redhills By-Pass,
Redhills, Chennai - 600 052,
Thirvallure District.

[Respondent No.5 impleaded
as per the order dated 2.9.2025
made in WMP No.36518/2025]

Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the 3rd respondent to consider the petitioner's representation dated 24.06.2025, not to issue license/certificate for the Christian Graveyard in Survey No.32/1B, at Siruniam Village, Aangadu Panchayat, Sholavaram Panchayat Union and convert a part of the existing Hindu Burial and Cremation Ground in Survey No.31/4, as way path for the new Christian graveyard in the said village.

For Petitioner: Mr.M.L.Ravi

For Respondent: Mr.E.Vijay Anand
Addl. Government Pleader
for respondent Nos.1 to 4

Dr.Father Xavier Arul Raj
Senior Counsel
for respondent No.5



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ORDER

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

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. This petition has been filed seeking issuance of a mandamus prohibiting the respondent authorities from proceeding further in the matter of grant of permission to access the Christian burial ground through the Hindu burial ground.

3. Learned State counsel would submit that even before filing of this public interest litigation, the District Collector had passed an order on 01.07.2025 granting such permission. However, that order has been challenged by filing W.P.No.43957 of 2025 [B.Varadharajan v. District Collector, Tiruvallur District, Collectorate, Tiruvallur and others], wherein an interim order has also been passed.

4. In that view of the matter, we are not inclined to keep this petition pending. The petition is disposed of giving liberty to the petitioner to seek intervention, if so advised, in the pending writ petition. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected



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miscellaneous petition is closed.

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