

W.P(MD)No.25491 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 17.09.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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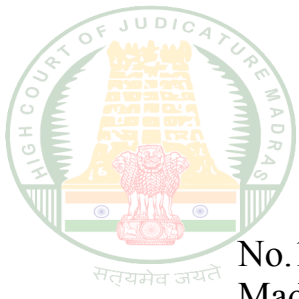
W.M.P(MD)No.19963 of 2025

S.M.Gunasekaran

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The District Collector,
District Collectorate Office,
Sivagangai.
- 2.The Sub Inspector of Police,
Sivagangai Town Police Station,
Sivagangai District,
Sivagangai.
- 3.The Bishop of CSI Madurai
& Ramnad Diocese,
The CSI Bishops of Madurai
& Ramnad Office,
No.162, East Veli Street,
Madurai.
- 4.The Secretary,
CSI Madurai & Ramnad Diocese,



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Pastorate Committee Chairman,
CSI Immanuel Church College Road,
Sivagangai District,
Sivagangai.

6.Rev King Samuel,
ELC East Local Council Chairman,
CSI Singampuneri Pastorate,
Singampunari,
Sivagangai District.

7.The Secretary,
C.S.I.T.A (Church of South India
Trust Association),
No.5, Whites Road,
Royapettai, Chennai – 600 014.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to conduct fresh election to the CSI Immanuel Church, Sivagangai Prostrate in accordance with the Constitution, Rules of the Dioceses of Madurai and Ramanathapuram and Church of South India Constitution and rules based on the petitioner's petition dated 15.06.2025.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Samuel James Devasagayam



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For Respondents : Mr.M.Lingadurai
Special Government Pleader
for R.1

Mr.A.Albert James
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)
for R.2

ORDER

Heard both sides.

2.The writ petitioner wants this Court to direct the authorities concerned to conduct a fresh election for the petition mentioned church. According to him, non-christians have also been elected.

3.Even according to the petitioner, the elections have already been conducted. He merely seeks fresh election to be held. However, unless the election that has already been held stands nullified, the question of issuing such a direction will not arise. The writ prayer is therefore misconceived.



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4.Granted liberty to the petitioner to work out his rights in the

manner known to law, this writ petition is dismissed as non-maintainable.

No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes / No
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