



W.P.(MD) Nos.27074 & 27075 of 2022

WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 14.10.2025

CORAM:

**THE HONOURABLE MR.MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA,
CHIEF JUSTICE
and
THE HONOURABLE MS.JUSTICE R.POORNIMA**

**W.P.(MD) Nos.27074 & 27075 of 2022
and
W.M.P.(MD) Nos.21232, 21233, 21234 & 21235 of 2023**

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Joesph Vasudevan Seenivasan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Regional Director
Office of the Regional Director Southern Region, Chennai,
Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India,
5th Floor, A Wing, Shastri Bhavan, 26, Haddows Road,
Chennai 6.

2.The Registrar
Office of the Registrar of Companies,
Tamil Nadu, Chennai,
2nd Floor, Shastri Bhavan, 26, Haddows Road,
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3.The Director of Collegiate Education,
E.V.K. Sampath Building, 9th Floor,
Chennai 6.

4.The Director of School Education,
College Road,
Chennai 6.

5.The Director of Elementary Education
College Road,
Chennai 6.

6.Church of South India Trust Association (CSI TA)
Rep by its Treasurer,
5, Whites Road, Royapettah, Chennai 14.

7.Church of South India (CSI)
Rep by its Moderator,
CSI Synod Secretariat,
5, Whites Road, Royapettah,
Chennai 14.

8.The General Secretary
Church of South India (CSI),
CSI Synod Secretariat,
5, Whites Road, Royapettah,
Chennai 14.

9.Church of South India, Madurai - Ramnad Diocese,
Rep. by its Bishop / Chairman,
No. 162, East Veli Street,
Madurai 625 001.

10.The Secretaries,
Church of South India,
Madurai - Ramnad Diocese,
No. 162, East Veli Street,
Madurai 625 001.



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11.Rt. Rev. A. Dharmaraj Rasalam
The Moderator,
Church of South India (CSI),
CSI Synod Secretariat,
5, Whites Road, Royapettah,
Chennai 14.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Mandamus, forbearing the respondents 2 to 8 herein from recognizing of implementing the resolution passed in the special diocesan council meeting dated 28.11.2022 or any other subsequent dates of the 9th respondent diocese and to appoint any Retired Judge of this Court as Administrator to conduct fresh Special Diocesan Council meeting or diocesan Council meeting in 9th respondent diocese to ratify or reject the amendments to the Constitution of the CSI, the 7th respondent herein passed by the special synod held on 07.03.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Pon Ramkumar

For Respondents : Mr.K.Govindarajan, - for R1 & R2
Deputy Solicitor General of India

Mr.P.Thilakkumar, - for R3 to R5
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Church of South India (CSI),
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10.Church of South India
Madurai-Ramnad Diocese,
Rep. by its Bishop / Chairman,
No.162, East Veli Street, Madurai - 625 001.

11. Tirunelveli Diocese Trust Association
Rep. by its Bishop / Chairman, Old No.18, New No.19, North and No.126
High Ground Road, Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli - 627 002.

12. Church of South India
Kanyakumari Diocese,
Rep. by its Bishop / Chairman,
No.71A, Dennis Street, Nagerkovil - 629 001, Kanyakumari District.

13. Church of South India
Tuticorin Nazareth Diocese,
Rep. by its Bishop / Chairman,
Cald Well Higher Secondary School Campus, 100,
Beach Road,
Tuticorin - 628 001, Tuticorin District.

14. Church of South India
Trichy - Tanjore Diocese,
Rep. by its Bishop / Chairman,
Allithurai Road, Pudhur,
Trichy, Trichy District.

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PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Mandamus directing the respondents 1 to 6 herein to regulate the unregistered body of the respondents 10 to 14 herein either to register under the Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act 1971 or The Companies Act 1956 and to appoint any Retired Judge of this Court as Administrator of the respondents 10 to 14 herein till the unregistered body of the respondents 10 to 14 herein either to register under the Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act 1971 or The Companies Act 1956.

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For Respondents : Mr.K.Govindarajan, - for R1 & R2
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COMMON ORDER

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

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, at the outset, would submit that, by efflux of time, these petitions have been rendered



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The statement is not opposed by learned counsels for the respective respondents.

2. Accordingly, both the PILs are disposed of as having rendered infructuous. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected interim applications are closed.

[MANINDRA MOHAN SHRIVASTAVA, C.J.] [R.POORNIMA, J.]

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NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No

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