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W.A.(MD)NO.428 OF 2025

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED : 14.07.2025**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

**AND**

**THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR**

**W.A.(MD)No.428 of 2025 AND**

**C.M.P.(MD)No.3275 of 2025**

The Executive Officer,  
Arulmigu Kallalagar Sundararaja  
Perumal Temple,  
Alagarkoil, Melur Taluk,  
Madurai District.

... Appellant / 4<sup>th</sup> Respondent

Vs.

1. Dr.Selva Rajakumar

... 1<sup>st</sup> Respondent / Petitioner

2. The Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable  
Endowment Department,  
Government of Tamil Nadu,  
Chennai.

3. The Joint Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable  
Endowment Department,  
Madurai.

4. The Assistant Commissioner,  
Hindu Religious and Charitable  
Endowment Department,  
Madurai.

5. R.Suriyakumar

... Respondents 2 to 5/  
Respondents 1 to 3 & 5



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**Prayer:** Writ Appeal filed under Clause 15 of Letters Patent, to set aside the order dated 25.04.2024 passed in W.P.(MD)No.2327 of 2016 on the file of this Court and thereby allow this writ appeal and dismiss the writ petition with costs.

For Appellant : Mr.S.Manohar

For R-1 : Mr.J.Barathan

For R-2 to R-4 : Mr.P.Subburaj,  
Special Government Pleader.

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### **J U D G M E N T**

**(Order of the Court was delivered by G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.)**

Heard both sides.

2. The writ petitioner challenged the notice issued by the HR&CE Department proposing to appoint fit person for “mandagapadi”. The writ petition was allowed on 25.04.2024 by the learned single Judge. Aggrieved by the same, the temple has filed this writ appeal.



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3. We are of the view that the temple cannot have the *locus standi*. It is the notice issued by the department which was quashed.

The department has not filed any writ appeal. The appellant temple whose interest are not at all affected, cannot have any grievance. This writ appeal stands dismissed on the ground of *locus standi*. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

**(G.R.SWAMINATHAN, J.) & (K.RAJASEKAR, J.)**  
**14<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

NCC : Yes / No  
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