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W.P.(MD)NO.34698 OF 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 28.11.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.34698 of 2025

G.Mathiyalagan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Chennai.
2. The Joint Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Mayiladuthurai.
3. The Assistant Commissioner,
Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment Department,
Kumbakonam,
Thanjavur District.
4. The Executive Officer,
Arulmigu Somanatha Swami Temple,
Poundarigapuram,
Kumbakonam Taluk,
Thanjavur District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents 2 and 3 to take appropriate action under Section 79(1) of Tamil Nadu Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act, 1959 and enforce the eviction orders already passed by the second



respondent under Section 78 of the Tamil Nadu Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act, 1959 in respect of temple premises of Arulmigu Somanatha Swamy temple, Poundarigapuram(Enathimangalam), Kumbakonam Taluk, Thanjavur District within a time period as fixed by this Court and thereafter secure and restore the temple property by fencing the lands, marking boundaries and ensuring proper administration.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Balamurugan

For Respondents : Mr.G.Suriya Ananth,
Additional Government Pleader
for R-1 to R-3.

Mr.VChandrasekar for R-4.

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ORDER

Heard both sides.

2. The petitioner is a devotee of the fourth respondent temple. The petitioner wants eviction orders earlier passed in respect of the petition-mentioned properties to be enforced.

3. The learned Standing counsel appearing for the fourth



respondent states that while they were allowed to enforce the order, they are unable to do so due to pendency of revision petitions filed before the Commissioner, HR&CE Department.

4. The Commissioner, HR&CE Department is directed to dispose of the revision petitions on merits and in accordance with law within a period of eight months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. If the revision petition is dismissed, the eviction orders in question shall be enforced immediately and thereafter, possession shall be resumed. If there is no revision petition is pending as against the eviction orders, the same shall be enforced immediately. This writ petition stands disposed of accordingly. No costs.

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